

PAYWARD CANADA INC.

CRYPTO ASSET STATEMENT

BLEND

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What is Fluent (BLEND) and how does it work?

Fluent is an Ethereum Layer 2 network that introduces a blended execution model. It is built to run on top of Ethereum and is designed to combine multiple blockchain execution environments into a unified framework within a single L2 chain. The system integrates different virtual machine environments into one architecture to support shared execution on the same network. This structure enables applications to use EVM, WASM, and SVM environments within one Ethereum based Layer 2 network.

At the time of writing, the token is not live, but the team plans to use BLEND to vote on future governance decisions, for validator staking to secure the network and earn rewards, for treasury based value accrual from a portion of protocol fees directed to the foundation treasury, and as the native asset of the Fluent Ethereum Layer 2 network for liquidity, collateral, and payments within applications built on the network.

Who is behind the project?

Fluent was co-founded and is led by Christopher Marrie and Dmitrii Savonin.

Tokenomics of BLEND

The total supply of BLEND is 1 billion tokens which is distributed as follows:

BLEND Allocation	% of Total supply
Initial Claims	10%
Ecosystem	36%
Foundation	10%
Early Backers	24%
Early Contributors	20%
Total	100%

General Risks

Like all other digital assets, there are some general risks to investing in BLEND. These include short history risk, volatility, and liquidity risk, demand risk, forking risk, code defects, cryptography risk, regulatory risk, concentration risk, electronic trading risk and cyber security risk. For more information on general risks associated with smart contracts and digital assets, see [Kraken's Risk Statement](#).

Risks specific to BLEND

Competition

The Fluent network faces competition from other fintech platforms such as Layer 2 networks such as Arbitrum, Optimism, and many others. BLEND's value derives from its broader market adoption; if the Fluent network fails to achieve sufficient adoption compared to these alternatives, this could negatively impact the value of BLEND.

Due Diligence

Prior to listing on the Kraken platform, Kraken performed due diligence on BLEND and determined that BLEND is unlikely to be a security or derivative under Canadian securities legislation. Our analysis generally includes, but is not limited to, reviewing publicly available information on the following:

- The creation, governance, usage and design of BLEND, including the source code, security and roadmap for growth in the developer community and, if available, the background of the developer(s) that created BLEND;
- The supply, demand, maturity, utility and liquidity of BLEND;
- Material technical risks associated with BLEND, including any code defects, security breaches and other threats concerning BLEND and its supporting blockchain (such as the susceptibility to hacking and impact of forking), or the practices and protocols that apply to them; and
- Legal and regulatory risks associated with BLEND, including (i) any pending, potential, or prior civil, regulatory, criminal, or enforcement action relating to the issuance, distribution, or use of BLEND, and (ii) consideration of statements made by any regulators or securities regulatory

authorities in Canada, other regulators of the International Organization of Securities Commissions, or the regulator with the most significant connection to BLEND about whether BLEND, or generally about whether the type of crypto asset, is a security and/or derivative.