

# **STAKINGVERSE – TERMS OF USE & USER AGREEMENT**

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These Terms of Use, together with any policies or notices incorporated by reference (collectively, the “Terms”), govern your access to and use of the Stakingverse web-based interface (the “Interface”) and the underlying open-source protocol (the “Platform”). By viewing, interacting with, or otherwise using the Interface—which enables you to stake LUKSO (LYX) tokens, mint sLYX utility tokens, and access certain decentralized smart contracts—you acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agree to be bound by these Terms in full. If you do not agree with these Terms, or if you cannot satisfy the eligibility requirements or other obligations set out herein, you must discontinue using the Interface and the Platform immediately. Any use of a virtual private network (VPN) or another method to circumvent these Terms, including misrepresenting your geographic location or user status, is strictly prohibited and may subject you to legal liability.

## **1. INTERFACE DISCLAIMER**

The Interface at [app.stakingverse.io](https://app.stakingverse.io) is a user-friendly means of accessing publicly available information and permissionless liquid staking smart contracts (collectively referred to as the Stakingverse Smart Contracts or Middleware). The Interface does not custody or control user funds; it merely helps you compose and broadcast blockchain transactions to the relevant smart contracts. Under no circumstances do we receive, hold, or manage your LYX or private keys on your behalf, nor do we collect, pool, or distribute any validator rewards in a collective service manner. Nothing herein obligates Stakingverse or its contributors (the “Interface maintainers”) to execute or validate transactions on your behalf. By clicking “accept” or by using the Interface in any manner, you confirm that you have reviewed these Terms, certify that you meet any applicable eligibility requirements, and acknowledge that non-compliance may result in restricted access or other consequences under the law. If your jurisdiction prohibits or restricts the use of this Interface or the Platform, you alone bear responsibility for discontinuing access immediately. These Terms include a binding arbitration provision and a class action waiver, both of which affect your rights regarding dispute resolution. The Interface maintainers reserve the right to amend or

revise these Terms at any time without prior notice, and your continued use after such updates signifies acceptance of the revised Terms.

## **2. ABOUT THE INTERFACE**

The Interface consolidates publicly available information about liquid staking and blockchain protocols for your convenience, and may also offer transaction drafting functions that allow you to self-authorize token transfers or mint utility tokens on relevant blockchains like the LUKSO Blockchain. After preparing draft transactions, you finalize them through a third-party wallet or device, and Stakingverse does not execute transactions on your behalf. The Stakingverse Smart Contracts or Middleware are open-source software deployed on specific blockchain addresses by various entities or communities. The Interface maintainers do not own these contracts, operate underlying node infrastructure, or guarantee ongoing availability or accuracy of the Interface, and assume no liability for discontinuation, downtime, hacks or errors. Because the Interface is maintained by volunteer contributors with no overarching business plan, they may terminate or change it at any time, potentially causing you inconvenience or loss. The maintainers of the Interface and the Interface itself are not agents or intermediaries for the User. They do not store, have access to, or control any tokens, private keys, passwords, accounts, or other assets belonging to the User. The Interface and its maintainers cannot perform transactions or send transaction messages on behalf of the User. Additionally, they do not hold, buy, sell, or trade any tokens. All transactions related to the Middleware are executed and recorded solely through the User's interactions with the respective blockchains, which are not controlled by or affiliated with the Interface maintainers or the Interface itself. Furthermore, the Interface maintainers do not collect any fees or compensation from the User for using the Interface.

## **3. RELATIONSHIP TO MIDDLEWARE**

The Interface maintainers do not own or control blockchains, validator nodes, wallets, or any third-party applications. The Interface serves merely to aggregate publicly accessible data in a more readable format. Since transaction generation and signing occur on your device, and since you alone hold your private keys, the Interface cannot initiate any on-chain actions on your behalf. You are responsible for verifying the

accuracy of draft transactions before broadcast, as the Interface maintainers are not agents or custodians and do not store private keys, credentials, or tokens. They do not collect fees for using the Interface, and any network or service costs (for instance, gas fees on the blockchain) fall entirely outside their control. The Middleware, along with other relevant blockchain systems and smart contracts, serves as public software utilities. These can be accessed directly through any compatible third-party node or indirectly through any compatible third-party wallet application that interacts with such a node. Interacting with the Middleware does not require the use of the Interface; however, the Interface offers a convenient and user-friendly option for reading and displaying data from the Middleware, as well as generating standard draft transaction messages compatible with it. Users have the option to interact with the Middleware using software other than the Interface. It is important to note that the Interface does not provide wallet software applications or nodes for blockchain systems. Therefore, these third-party software dependencies are essential for the use of the Middleware and for trading or using tokens. Additionally, the Interface may utilize APIs and servers maintained by either Interface maintainers or third parties, and there are no guarantees regarding the continued operation, maintenance, availability, or security of these dependencies.

#### **4. USER ELIGIBILITY**

By accessing or using the Interface, you represent and warrant that you are of legal age to form a binding contract in your jurisdiction, possess sufficient technical knowledge to evaluate the risks of blockchain-based systems, comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including sanctions and anti-money-laundering provisions, are not located in an embargoed or sanctioned jurisdiction, do not act for or transact with persons or entities on sanctions lists, will not use the Interface if forbidden under local laws, and understand the risks of self-custody and open-source smart contracts. If you no longer meet these criteria, you must cease using the Interface immediately. Accessing or benefiting from the Interface in violation of law or via deliberate misrepresentation of your eligibility is prohibited, also you represent you are not a resident, citizen, national or agent of, or an entity organized, incorporated or doing business in, Belarus, Burundi, Crimea and Sevastopol, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Somalia, Sudan, Syria,

Venezuela, Zimbabwe or any other country to which the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union or any of its member states or the United Nations or any of its member states (embargoes goods or imposes similar sanctions (such embargoed or sanctioned territories, collectively, the **Restricted Territories**); are not, and do not directly or indirectly own or control, and have not received any assets from any blockchain address that is listed on any sanctions list or equivalent maintained by any of the above Jurisdictions.

## 5. **PERMITTED AND PROHIBITED USE**

The Interface is offered exclusively to assist knowledgeable Users in researching and analyzing liquid staking and for drafting transactions with the Stakingverse Smart Contracts. It is not meant to be your sole or primary source of financial, legal, or other professional advice. You may not employ deceptive or fraudulent schemes or use the Interface to break any laws or regulations. Attacks or attempts to disrupt the Interface or associated systems, such as Sybil attacks or DDoS, are forbidden. You must not rely on the Interface for unlawful financings or token-based fundraising that violate regulations, nor engage in market manipulation, spoofing, wash trading, or IP address masking to bypass usage limits. You further agree not to transmit proceeds of illegal activities or otherwise exploit the Interface for illicit purposes.

## 6. **USER DECLARATIONS**

You acknowledge and agree that the Interface maintainers have only those obligations expressly stated in these Terms and that these Terms constitute valid and binding legal obligations. The Interface's availability does not confer personal jurisdiction in any locale beyond the one chosen by the Interface maintainers, and the Interface does not control or execute blockchain transactions autonomously. Any link to external wallets does not imply endorsement, and the Interface maintainers accept no responsibility for third-party failures or user losses. The Interface's content is not professional or financial advice, and you are advised to seek guidance from qualified professionals before making financial or legal decisions. No fiduciary relationship exists between you and the Interface maintainers, and you understand the possibility of incurring losses (for example, from validator slashing, network failings, or price volatility), from which you waive any claims against the Interface maintainers. You agree that the

Interface's ability to connect with third-party wallet applications or devices does not constitute an endorsement by the Interface maintainers. You assume all responsibility for evaluating and incurring risks related to any bugs, defects, malfunctions, or interruptions of those applications or devices, and you will not hold the Interface maintainers or affiliates liable for any damages arising from your use of the Interface. You declare that you possess the necessary knowledge, experience, and sophistication in using and evaluating blockchain technologies and related assets, including blockchains, tokens, and proof-of-stake smart contract systems. You affirm that you have conducted a thorough and independent investigation and analysis of the Middleware and all related matters as outlined in these Terms. Furthermore, you declare that you have not relied on any information, statements, omissions, representations, or warranties, whether express or implied, written or oral, provided by or on behalf of Interface maintainers, except as explicitly stated in these Terms. You are solely responsible for all matters relating to your accounts, addresses, and tokens, and for ensuring that your use of these elements fully complies with these Terms. You must take responsibility for protecting the data integrity and confidentiality of your information, as well as any data or private keys for wallet applications or devices you use in connection with the Interface. Please note that the compatibility of the Interface with wallet applications, devices, or other third-party applications is not intended as an endorsement or recommendation. You agree not to interpret this compatibility as a warranty, guarantee, promise, or assurance regarding the fitness or security of those applications or devices.

## **7. RISKS AND DISCLAIMERS**

The Interface maintainers may withdraw support or terminate access at any time and make no commitments to continue operating or updating this service. Stakingverse is an open-source, non-custodial protocol rather than a broker, fiduciary, or investment advisor, and you alone bear the risks connected with your transactions, including slashing, network failures, and any price fluctuations. The Interface is offered “AS IS” and “AS AVAILABLE,” with no assurances of uninterrupted operation, accuracy, or completeness, and once transactions are broadcast to a blockchain, they are irreversible. The Interface maintainers disclaim liability for any losses tied to forks or chain splits, do not collect fees, and cannot refund blockchain gas or transaction costs.

You remain solely responsible for fulfilling any tax obligations arising from staking, token transfers, or other crypto-asset activities. There is no business plan or revenue model for the Interface. The Interface maintainers do not have revenues or a viable long-term business plan, and may become unable or unwilling to fund the operational costs of the Interface on a long-term basis or to fund the upgrade costs required to keep the Interface up to date with current and upcoming technologies. The Interface maintainers and the Interface itself are not registered, qualified, or licensed by any government agency or financial regulatory authority. They do not report to, and are not under the active supervision of, any such organization. No government or regulatory body has approved or consulted with the Interface maintainers regarding the accuracy or completeness of any information provided on the Interface. Additionally, the technology, systems, blockchains, tokens, and individuals related to the information published on the Interface may also not be registered with, or under the supervision of, any government agency or financial regulatory authority. The Interface maintainers are not registered as brokers, dealers, advisors, transfer agents, or any other type of intermediary. The tax implications of buying, selling, holding, transferring, or using tokens or the Middleware are uncertain and may differ depending on the jurisdiction. The Interface Maintainers have not conducted any due diligence or investigation regarding these tax implications and do not assume any obligation or liability to address, facilitate, or manage the tax consequences for any individual. Blockchain technologies and digital assets face numerous legal and regulatory uncertainties. As a result, the Middleware, along with its associated tokens or blockchains, could be negatively affected by various regulatory or legal issues, including inquiries, actions, lawsuits, investigations, claims, fines, or judgments. Such circumstances could hinder or restrict the User's ability to utilize and enjoy these assets and technologies. If sLYX is traded on third-party exchanges, that is an emergent behavior that is not orchestrated by the interface maintainers. They do not endorse specific markets or use any mechanism to peg or stabilize sLYX's price.

## **8. PRIVACY**

The Interface may collect minimal user data, such as IP addresses or blockchain addresses, strictly for compliance or operational purposes. The maintainers assume no confidentiality obligations beyond what is required by law.

## **9. LICENSE TO USE THE INTERFACE**

You receive a personal, revocable, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to view and use the Interface for its intended, lawful purpose. The maintainers may revoke this license if you violate these Terms or if they discontinue the Interface.

## **10. INDEMNIFICATION**

You agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Interface maintainers from any claims, losses, liabilities, or damages (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of your use of the Interface, your violation of these Terms, and any infringement or legal violation connected to your on-chain activities.

## **11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION; ARBITRATION**

You agree first to attempt to resolve any disputes in good faith by contacting the Interface maintainers within sixty (60) days. If informal negotiations fail, any unresolved disputes must be settled exclusively by binding arbitration administered under NAI Arbitration Rules in English in The Hague, The Netherlands. You waive all rights to class actions or jury trials. These Terms are governed by and construed according to the laws of The Netherlands without regard to conflict-of-law principles. You expressly waive any right to participate in class or collective actions against the Interface maintainers, agreeing instead to bring any claims solely on an individual basis.

## **12. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

These Terms, including any policies or notices referenced herein, represent the entire agreement between you and the Interface maintainers regarding the subject matter, superseding all prior communications or proposals. No usage of trade or consistent practice will modify or override any part of these Terms. If a portion of these Terms is deemed invalid or unenforceable, the remaining sections remain in effect, and the problematic language is narrowed only as necessary to preserve enforceability. The failure or delay by Interface Maintainers to exercise any right, remedy, or privilege under this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of such right, remedy, or privilege.

By proceeding to view or use the Interface, or by staking, minting, redeeming, or conducting other on-chain activities facilitated by Stakingverse, you acknowledge that you have read, understood, and accepted these Terms in full. If you do not agree, you must cease all

interaction with the Interface and the Platform immediately.

For questions or support related to the Interface or Platform, please reach us at:

- [contact@sigmatic.io](mailto:contact@sigmatic.io)

### **Disclaimer on Decentralized Framework**

The Platform operates in a **permissionless, non-custodial** manner; neither sLYX nor the underlying smart contracts are centrally administered or stabilized. No single participant can unilaterally alter your stake or tokens. This alignment with open, decentralized networks means you bear sole responsibility for any associated legal, financial, or technical consequences. The lack of reliance on any single operator, and the absence of any explicit guarantee regarding token value, aligns with the broader principle of open, decentralized networks.