

Anyswap vs Multichain: A Short Note on the Names

[Anyswap](#) and Multichain were not rival bridges in the usual sense. Anyswap launched in July 2020, then rebranded to Multichain in October 2021 as the project broadened from a token bridge into a wider cross-chain routing network.

The rebrand changed the public label more than the underlying ambition. The Multichain router still centered on moving assets across chains, using bridge liquidity, wrapped representations, and routing logic to make a cross-chain bridge feel more like a single transaction.

The ANY token is another source of confusion. It belonged to the original ecosystem, but token history is not a guarantee about any later project.

The name trail ends in a hard fact: Multichain halted in 2023 after key-access problems, a major drain, and force majeure.