# **Introduction to Polkadot - Kampala Event**

City: Kampala County:Uganda

**Venue**: (https://j-frigh-hotel.kampala-hotels-ug.com/en/#map)

**Date of the event**: 17.05.2025

**Description of the event**: I'm organizing this event because I believe there's so much untapped potential in Kampala when it comes to Web3 and the Polkadot ecosystem. There are a lot of curious minds here, students, developers, tech enthusiasts—who are eager to learn but just need the right entry point and supportive community.

The idea is to create a space where people can come together, learn the basics of Polkadot, explore real use cases, and start experimenting with the tech themselves. It's not just about one event, but about laying the groundwork for a strong, active Polkadot community in the city.

My target audience is mostly developers, students in tech fields, and Web3 beginners who want to understand how Polkadot works and how they can start building or contributing. Eventually, I'd love for this to grow into a network of builders and contributors who can support each other and collaborate on projects.

### Goal/s of the event:

- Introduce the Polkadot ecosystem to a new audience in Kampala—especially developers, students, and tech enthusiasts who are curious about Web3 but may not know where to start.
- Build awareness and interest in Polkadot's unique technology, including parachains, interoperability, and use cases across DeFi, NFTs, and more.
- Create a local support network by bringing like-minded individuals together to connect, learn, and explore how they can contribute to or build on Polkadot.
- Lay the foundation for a long-term community that can grow with follow-up events, workshops in Kampala.
- Empower attendees to take the next step, whether that's exploring Polkadot's documentation, or contributing to a parachain ecosystem.

### **Expected outcomes:**

• There will be Increased awareness of the Polkadot ecosystem among developers, students, and tech enthusiasts in Kampala.

- Stronger interest and engagement, with participants leaving the event more curious and motivated to explore Polkadot further—whether through learning, building, or joining the community.
- I expect at least a few attendees to make some steps like joining the Polkadot ambassador program, exploring development tools, or participating in hackathons.
- Valuable feedback and insights from the audience that can help with future events and community-building strategies in the region.

Number of attendees:15

Did anyone else active in the ecosystem come to your event?

### Agenda (program):

- Welcome & Introductions 10 mins
   Meet the host and get to know fellow attendees.
- 2. What is Polkadot? 15 minsA beginner-friendly talk on the Polkadot ecosystem and how it works.
- 3. Spotlight: Use Cases & Parachains 15 mins
  A look into real-world projects built on Polkadot (e.g.Acala, Astar, Phala).
- 4. Open Discussion & Q&A 10 mins Ask questions, share thoughts, and discuss ideas.
- 5. Networking & Light Refreshments 20 mins Connect with others and chat with the speakers

**Projects**: No **Speakers**: None

## **Organiser**

Organizer name: Kamala Immaculate

Who are you: I'm Kamala Immaculate from Kampala, Uganda. I'm currently an Ambassador for Phala Network and a member of the Polkadot Anti-Scam Team. Previously, I served as a Polkadot Senior Ambassador and also held ambassador roles with Astar Network, Acala Network, and Unique Network. I've been actively contributing to the Polkadot ecosystem through community engagement, organizing events both online and offline, and creating content to educate and inspire others in the Web3 space.

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## **Funding**

Total costs of the event:200\$
Requested amount: 200\$

Are you getting funded from other sources: No Have you requested funding from other bounties:No

### Budget:

What	Amount	Amount in your local currency	Amount in USD	Link to vendor (Website or Google map)
Meeting space	50\$	183000 UGX	50\$	https://j-frigh-hotel.ka mpala-hotels-ug.com /en/
Snacks & Drinks	150\$	549000 UGX	150\$	https://j-frigh-hotel.ka mpala-hotels-ug.com /en/
Total:	200\$	732000 UGX	200\$	-

Link to shared drive folder where you save all invoices + all pictures and videos: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1b1oisTxg3hNRyTDus5EwZpqbv7reAb3U

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Presentation: An Introduction to Polkadot- Presentation Slide (1).pdf

# **Event links**

Any links that can be helpful, like:

- Event ticket page: <a href="https://lu.ma/eig3lnom">https://lu.ma/eig3lnom</a>
- An event announcement on social media:
   <a href="https://x.com/Kamalalmmac/status/1919461484746138102">https://x.com/Kamalalmmac/status/1919461484746138102</a>
   <a href="https://x.com/Kamalalmmac/status/1924380745117605891">https://x.com/Kamalalmmac/status/1924380745117605891</a>

Links shared by attendees:
 <a href="https://x.com/Code\_bruh/status/1924415014493897068">https://x.com/Code\_bruh/status/1924415014493897068</a>
 <a href="https://x.com/WinnieFred1841/status/1924409004903608681">https://x.com/WinnieFred1841/status/1924409004903608681</a>

- Have you used Polkadot POAPs for your events? If yes, link it: NO
- Any other links: None

## **Self - Evaluation**

#### Your own evaluation of the event:

The event was a great success and a good start for building the Polkadot community in Kampala. We had a good mix of attendees, developers, students, and Web3 enthusiasts — all curious and eager to learn more about Polkadot.

We had 15 attendees. This was the number I had planned for, and the quality of engagement from the audience made it even better. Most participants stayed throughout the entire session, and many expressed interest in joining future meetups.

We also had a special highlight of a technical session led by Alvin, where he broke down blockchain fundamentals and Polkadot's architecture in a simple, engaging way. It really resonated with the developers in the room.

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The participants were very interactive. They asked thoughtful questions, contributed to discussions, and actively networked afterward. The event created a space where both beginners and techn individuals could share and learn.

### Were you happy with it?

The turnout was great, the engagement from attendees was encouraging, and Alvin's technical session added so much value. It was amazing to see people genuinely interested in learning and connecting around Polkadot. For a first event, it definitely exceeded my expectations — and I'm excited to build on this momentum.

### What went well?

**Engagement:** The audience was very interactive — they asked great questions and stayed actively involved throughout.

**Networking:** People stayed after the event to connect and continue conversations, which showed genuine interest and community spirit.

**Turnout:** We had a mix of developers and Web3 beginners which created a nice balance.

#### What can be done better?

While the event itself went really well, we could have done more to keep the momentum going afterward. For future meetups, I'd like to encourage attendees to post about their experience on social media and tag the event, this helps create more visibility and community buzz.

Maybe even create a simple feedback form to learn what they liked and what they'd want next
time.