

DOT Events Bounty Report for Q2 2025 (April 1st - June 30th)

This report covers the activities and expenditures related to the DOT Events Bounty program for Q2 2025, spanning from April 1st to June 30th. Over these three months, the bounty helped fund a wide range of community-led events, meetups, conferences, and workshops around the world - all aimed at spreading the word about Polkadot and strengthening our global community. Below, we start with a comprehensive expense summary for the quarter, followed by a breakdown of event types, approval outcomes, and overall financial impact. All individual submissions, decisions, and detailed activity are available on our live reporting board.

Expense Summary for Q2 2025

Total Proposals

- Total Submissions: 74
- Total Approved: 40
- Total Rejected: 34
- Total Withdrawn: 0

Proposal Types

- Meetups: 1
- Extraordinary Events: 32
- Key Industry Events: 13
- Speaker/BD support: 4
- Polkadot Roots: 13

Approved Proposals

- Meetups: 1
- Extraordinary Events: 17
- V2 Event Reports: 0
- Key Industry Events: 4

- Speaker Report: 0
- Polkadot Roots: 13 submissions (28 events)

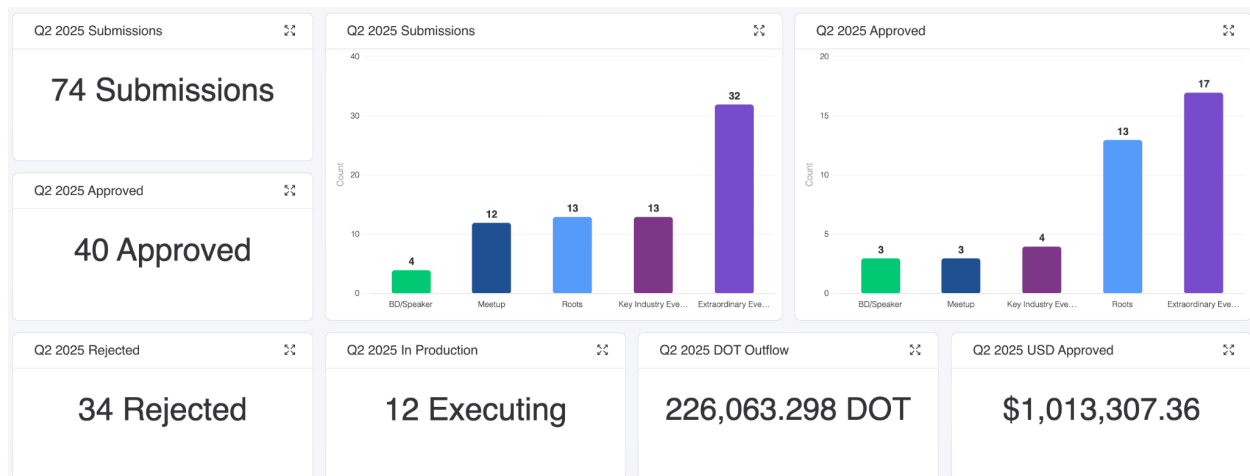
Overall Financial Impact

Remaining Funds – Q2 2025

- 266,166.923 DOT – Bounty
- 1 DOT – Multi
- 1397 USDT – Multi

Event Spending Summary

The summary below is tracked by our [live reporting board](#) and reflects overall activity for the quarter, including submissions, approvals, rejections, DOT outflow, and USD approved. Please note that the approved USD amount includes slippage fees, and the reported DOT outflow may vary, as any unused DOT can be returned to the bounty.



****Q2 2025 event summary showing submissions, approvals, rejections, DOT outflow, and USD approved.**

***** DOT outflow can change due to leftover DOT being returned to the bounty.**

****** USD Approved includes slippage fee.**

Additional Financial Notes

- **Savings Achieved: \$158,605** (based on awarded amounts versus requested amounts).
- **Software and Bounty Setup Costs: \$0**

- **Operational Overheads:** 21,607.95 DOT (equivalent to \$85,000 total, covering both curators and subcurator compensation).

[Full payout sheet can be viewed at the link](#)

Funded Events in Q2 2025 (April 1st – June 30th)

This section provides a quick overview with a few examples of successfully funded events during Q2 2025.

The complete onchain list of all funded events for this quarter can be found [here](#).

Examples:

https://polkadot.subsquare.io/treasury/child-bounties/17_3803

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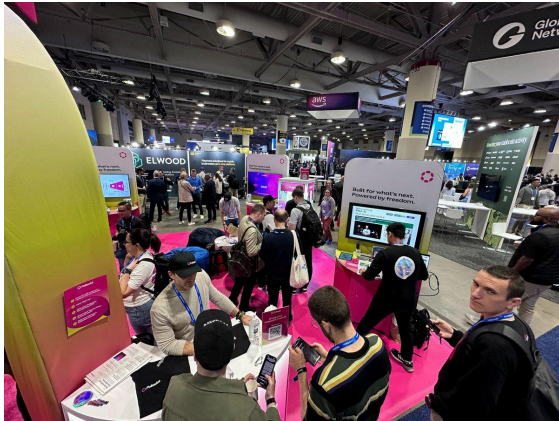
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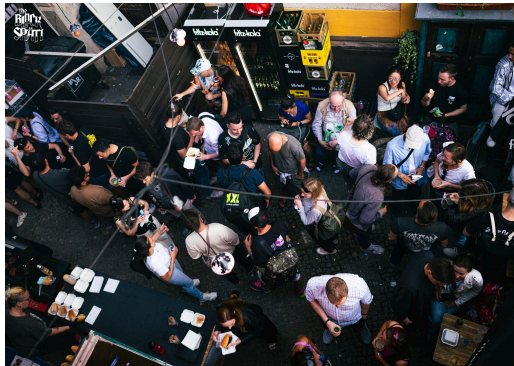
Consensus Toronto | Key Industry Event



Decentralized Lugano | Extraordinary Event



The Blockspace [Mansion Toronto](#) & [Berlin](#) | Extraordinary Event



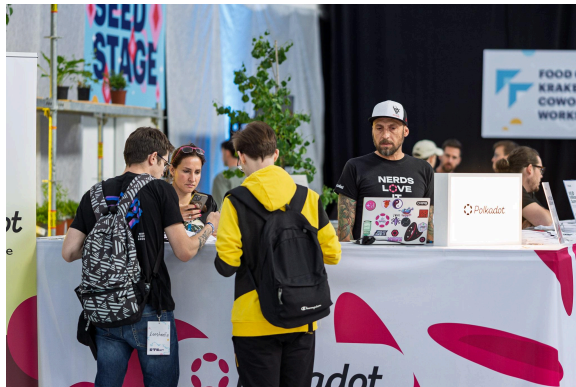
[Side Event @ Token2049](#) | Extraordinary Event



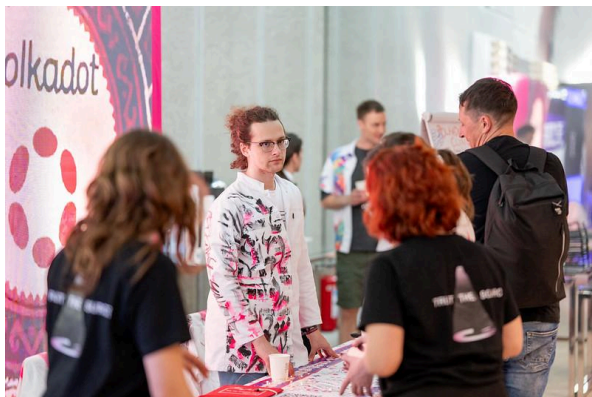
ETH Lisbon | Extraordinary Event



ETH Prague 2025 | Extraordinary Event



ETH Belgrade | Extraordinary Event



Polkadot Roots

Overview

Polkadot Roots is a community focussed initiative of the Events Bounty where we experiment with meetup funding to better the overall ROI of meetups while building groups of local communities.

Through our Roots Subcurator Luuu, we are in constant communication with the Meetups Bounty in order to exchange information and learnings while streamlining a community driven events scene.

Program Updates

In Q2, we improved internal processes and onboarded new locations. Existing locations focused on developing a local core group of Polkadot community members while hosting meetups.

In order to experiment with supporting meetup communities to evolve into contributing Polkadot sub-groups, we onboarded Hungary DAO as a subcurator. Their role will focus on expanding, improving and adapting their existing From Zero to DAO guides to fit the Roots program. The onboarding took place in the final month of Q2, with the official start in July, so a more detailed overview of their performance and objectives will follow in the next report.

During Q2, we began hosting more frequent calls with organizers to provide a dedicated space for open discussions and questions. These sessions saw high attendance and engagement, so we plan to continue them in the coming quarters.

Growth & Onboarding

New locations: Wuhan (China), Mumbai (India), Seoul (South Korea), Nairobi (Kenya), Curitiba (Brazil), Lisbon (Portugal), Philadelphia (USA), Bangkok (Thailand), Vicenza (Italy), Chattanooga (USA), Toronto (Canada), Zurich (Switzerland).

Q2 reporting board:



[Live reporting board](#)

Event Bounty Curators Overview

This report highlights the work of seven Events Bounty Curators, who manage and review event proposals, allocate funding, and ensure that each event meets the standards and goals of the Polkadot community. They work together to maintain a clear and efficient process, supporting organizers in creating impactful events.

Event Bounty Curators

- XyloDrone
- Patrik
- Tycho
- Elisa
- lolmcshizz
- Anamarija

- Katarina (Q1 & Q2 2025)

Each proposal submitted to the Events Bounty undergoes a collective decision-making process where curators review the content, relevance, and expected impact of the event. To approve a proposal, a minimum of 4 out of the 7 curators must vote in favor.

Each of the seven curators receives a salary of \$4,000 per month, totaling \$28,000 monthly. All details can be viewed in the financial overviews above.

Curator Update

In Q1 2025, Katarina joined the curator team, unfortunately due to other commitments she was not able to continue her work for the Polkadot Events Bounty. The curators decided to not look for a replacement from Q3 onwards but to stay with six curators from now on. The threshold will be 4/6 now.

Curator Meetings and Coordination

The curators hold two meetings per week to discuss ongoing proposals, review the status of funded events, and ensure alignment on strategic initiatives. These meetings take place on:

- **Tuesdays at 2:30 PM CET**
- **Thursdays at 3:00 PM CET**

Office Hours for the Community

To support the community and provide direct access to the curators, we also host [weekly office hours](#) every Wednesday at 3:00 PM CEST. During these sessions, community members and event organizers can join to ask questions, receive guidance

on submitting proposals, and gain insights into the expectations for event planning and reporting.

Event Bounty Subcurators Overview

Throughout Q2 2025, Luuu continued to make a strong impact in her role as the Events Bounty's first-ever subcurator. Working closely with Tycho and Patrik, she has remained a key contributor to the Polkadot Roots program, leading organizer discussions, supporting onboarding, and keeping coordination clear and consistent across the board. As she is also part of the MuB, she helps with maintaining the relationship between the two bounties.

Conference Master List

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1		This is the global events calendar provided and managed by the events bounty curators (bounty 17). If you have suggestions on any events that we missed(including web2), feel free to reach out: info@dotevents.xyz More information can be found here .						
2								
3								
4								
5	Events Bounty							
6	Name of Conference	Link	Dates	Tier	Location	Type - Conference/Boot	Type - Hackat	Type - Side Event
7	Korea Blockchain Week	https://koreablockchainweek.com	Sep 23-24, 2025	Tier 1	Seoul	☐	☐	☐
8	Token 2049 Singapore	https://www.asia.token2049.com	Oct 01-02, 2025	Tier 1	Singapore	☐	☐	☐
9	European Blockchain Convention	https://eblockchainconvention.co	Oct, 16-17, 2025	Tier 1	Barcelona	☒	☐	☒
10	Devconnect	https://devconnect.org/	Nov, 17-22, 2025	Tier 1	Buenos Aires	☐	☐	☐
11	North American Blockchain Summit	https://www.northamericanblockchain.com/	TBA November, 2025	Tier 2	TBA	☒	☐	☐
12	ETH Rio	https://www.ethereumbrasil.com/	TBA	Tier 3	Rio de Janeiro	☐	☐	☒
13	Web2 Events							
14	Shift Zadar	https://shift.infobip.com/	Sep, 14-16, 2025	Tier 3	Zadar	☐	☐	☐
15	TwitchCon	https://www.twitchcon.com/	Oct 17-19, 2025	Tier 3	San Diego	☐	☐	☐
16	Money 20/20	https://www.money2020.com/	Oct 26-29, 2025	Tier 3	Las Vegas	☐	☐	☐
17	TechCrunch Disrupt	https://techcrunch.com/events/tc/	Oct, 27-29, 2025	Tier 3	San Francisco	☐	☐	☐
18	Web Summit Lisbon	https://websummit.com/	Nov, 10-13, 2025	Tier 1	Lisbon	☒	☐	☐
19	re:Invent AWS	https://reinvent.aws/events.com/	Dec 1 2025	Tier 3	Las Vegas	☐	☐	☐
20	CES	https://www.ces.tech/	Jan, 6-9, 2026	Tier 1	Las Vegas	☐	☐	☒
21	Past events/passed deadlines for applications							
22	Wyoming Blockchain Symposium 2025	https://www.salt.org/events/2025/	Aug 18-21, 2025	Tier 2	Wyoming	☐	☐	☐
23	GamesCOM	https://www.gamescom.global/en/	Aug 24, 2025	Tier 3	Cologne, Germany	☐	☐	☒
24	Malaysia Blockchain Week 2024	https://myblockchainweek.com/	TBA	Tier 3	Kuala Lumpur	☒	☐	☐
25	Dreamhack Dallas	https://dreamhack.com/dallas/	May, 23-25, 2025	Tier 3	Dallas	☐	☐	☒
26	Connect week	https://connectweek.com.br/	TBA	Tier 3	TBA	☒	☐	☐
27	Snowflake Summit	https://www.snowflake.com/en/su/	June 2, 2025	Tier 3	San Francisco	☐	☐	☐
28	Viva Technology	https://vivatechnology.com/	June 11, 2025	Tier 2	Paris	☒	☐	☐
29	WeAreDevelopers	https://www.waredevelopers.co/	July, 9-11 2025	Tier 1	Berlin	☒	☐	☐
30	ethbucharest	https://www.ethbucharest.xyz/	April 02-05, 2025	Tier 3	Bucharest	☐	☐	☒
31	TEAMZ WEB3 / AI SUMMIT	https://web3.teamz.co.jp/en/	April 16-17, 2025	Tier 2	Tokyo	☐	☐	☐
32	Paris Blockchain Week	https://www.parisblockchainweek.com/	April 08-11, 2025	Tier 2	Paris	☒	☐	☐

We're maintaining a [Conference Master List](#) to help the community find and engage with high-impact events worldwide. This curated list is a key resource for those looking to represent Polkadot on the global stage. This list varies from Web3, Web2, tech and blockchain events. It is sectioned in “Tiers” which reflects the priority for each event and. Tier 1 events usually get more funds allocated than Tier 3 events.

These are the events from the RFP list which have been facilitated in Q2:

- Consensus Toronto
- Berlin Blockchain Week
- ETH Prague
- Istanbul Blockchain Week
- Token2049 Dubai
- ETH Belgrade

Q2 Reflections & Key Learnings:

As we reviewed our initiatives and activations from the first quarter, several strategic insights emerged that will shape our approach moving forward:

- **Technical Sub Curator**

We are considering a more technical subcurator for the evaluation of hackathons and creation thereof.

- **Advisory**

Providing guidance and training to new event organizers to equip them with the skills and confidence needed to independently plan and execute successful events.

- **Documentation**

Developing comprehensive documentation and guides to support ecosystem participants in organizing smooth and successful events. Creation of a resource centre is in progress and will be revealed in Q4.

Future objectives:

The Events Bounty will remain its focus on Key Industry Event participation and supporting sustainable ecosystem community growth.

1. Structure Roots

Roots will keep experimenting with meetup funding and localised community building while we start preparing to restructure the program to experiment with a task based Meetup scene.

2. Ensure strong presence across all key Q3 and Q4 events by empowering organizers to represent the ecosystem at key global gatherings, including Coinfest Bali, Korea Blockchain Week, Token2049 Singapore, and Devconnect through booths, side events, and active community engagement.

3. Prepare the top up proposal and new strategy. It has been over a year since the EB has operated under a new mandate. The curators will evaluate the impact of EB V3, and prepare a new strategy and proposal for EB V4.