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https://www.namecoin.org/

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Namecoin: DNS, but on a blockchain

• Uses the .bit TLD.
• Censorship-resistant.
  – Censoring a .bit domain is roughly as difficult as freezing bitcoins.
• Hijacking-resistant.
  – Hijacking a .bit domain is roughly as difficult as stealing bitcoins.
• Useful as a decentralized public key infrastructure.
  – Need to look up a public key for TLS, Tor onion services, PGP, OTR/OMEMO, etc.? Namecoin can help.
Namecoin: DNS, but on a blockchain (2)

- Fork of Bitcoin Core.
  - Tries to keep the diff as minimal as possible.
- Collaborating with Monero on enabling anonymous name registrations.
Namecoin: Cool Things About Us

- Only non-Bitcoin cryptocurrency where Satoshi Nakamoto directly had a hand in development.
- Endorsed by WikiLeaks in 2011 (and mentioned by Julian Assange in his conversation with Google CEO Eric Schmidt).
- Favorably mentioned in a 2014 ICANN “Identifier Technology Innovation” report.
Namecoin: Cool Things About Us (2)

- Favorably mentioned by Internet Archive founder Brewster Kahle in 2016.
- New York Times alleged in 2018 that Saudi Arabian intelligence recruited a Twitter employee to spy on one of the Namecoin devs' Twitter accounts.
Namecoin: We love collaboration

• If you have a cool idea for working with us, talk to us!