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Abstract

DEMFI is a blockchain-powered platform that revolutionizes climate and weather risk management by integrating cryptocurrency and real-world climate data. The platform allows users to trade options on climate and weather variables—such as precipitation, temperature, wind speed, solar radiation and vegetation indices—sourced from reliable satellite and ground-based datasets.

By leveraging $DEMFI, its native cryptocurrency, Demeter Finance offers a transparent, decentralized marketplace where smart contracts automate transactions and payouts. Settlement models include binary options for straightforward outcomes and progressive payouts based on proximity to thresholds. This flexibility makes the platform suitable for a wide range of participants, including farmers, renewable energy providers, investors, insurers, and governments.

With a focus on accessibility, transparency, and data-driven decision-making, Demeter Finance empowers users to hedge against climate risks, drive financial innovation, and contribute to global climate adaptation efforts.

1. Executive Summary

Demeter Finance introduces a novel approach to managing and hedging on climate risk through a decentralized, blockchain-based platform. This platform enables cryptocurrency users to trade options (put or call) linked to specific climate variables such as precipitation, temperature, wind speed, solar radiation, storm intensity (e.g., cloud top temperature), and vegetation indices (NDVI, EVI). These variables are measured using globally accessible satellite and station data, ensuring accuracy and transparency.

The core innovation lies in allowing participants to hedge against climate risks by buying or selling whether observed values of a given variable will exceed or fall below a pre-defined threshold during a set period. For example, a user could purchase a call option predicting that precipitation in a specific region will exceed 100 mm within a particular month or a put option that it will fall below this threshold.

Key Features

- **Global Accessibility:** The platform operates without geographic restrictions, leveraging ground station and satellite data to provide reliable metrics for any location worldwide.
- **Customizable Options:** Users can define the parameters of their options, including the climate variable, time frame, location, and threshold.
- **Smart Contract Settlement:** Blockchain technology ensures transparent, automated, and tamper-proof settlements, minimizing disputes and enhancing user trust.

Value Proposition

Demeter Finance democratizes access to climate-based financial instruments. Traditional climate risk management tools like insurance policies or derivative contracts (see for instance CME Group) are often inaccessible to smaller players due to cost and complexity. By integrating cryptocurrency and decentralized finance (DeFi) principles, Demeter Finance reduces entry barriers and opens the market to a diverse global audience.

Target Audience

- **Agricultural Stakeholders:** Farmers and agribusinesses can hedge against weather-induced losses.
- **Insurers and Reinsurers:** Develop complementary tools to traditional parametric insurance models.

- **Renewable energy producers:** Hedge potential periods of low production due to low wind intensity, weak river flow or cloudy period.
- **Tourist sector:** Allow to reimburse travel and hotel costs.

Vision

Demeter Finance envisions becoming a worldwide actor in climate-financial solutions, fostering resilience in a world increasingly affected by climate variability. The platform not only provides a new avenue for investment but also contributes to raising awareness about the financial implications of climate events.

2. Introduction

The Growing Importance of Climate Risk Management

In an era where climate change is intensifying the frequency and severity of extreme weather events, managing climate risk has become a critical necessity for individuals, businesses, and governments. Unpredictable variations in precipitation, temperature, and vegetation health can disrupt agriculture, supply chains, and local economies, causing billions of dollars in losses annually.

Traditionally, managing such risks has relied on tools like insurance or government support, which are often limited in scope and accessibility. Demeter Finance introduces an innovative solution to this problem by merging climate science with blockchain technology to create a decentralized marketplace for climate risk options.

Leveraging Blockchain and Cryptocurrency

The advent of blockchain technology and cryptocurrency has revolutionized financial systems by offering unparalleled transparency, security, and accessibility. Decentralized finance (DeFi) platforms have made complex financial instruments accessible to anyone with an internet connection. Demeter Finance leverages these capabilities to democratize access to climate-based financial instruments, empowering users to participate in a new form of climate risk management.

Bridging Climate Data and Financial Instruments

At the heart of Demeter Finance is the integration of trusted climate data sources—such as satellite observations and weather station reports—with smart contract technology. These verified datasets serve as the foundation for creating reliable and transparent options contracts. By trading these contracts, participants can hedge against potential losses or capitalize on their insights into climate behavior.

Why Demeter Finance?

Demeter Finance offers a unique platform that:

1. **Empowers Global Participation:** Unlike traditional climate risk tools limited by geography or access, Demeter Finance is available to anyone, anywhere.

2. **Simplifies Complexity:** With an intuitive interface and automated settlements through smart contracts, the platform makes trading climate risk options easy and efficient.
3. **Enhances Transparency:** The use of blockchain ensures tamper-proof records, reliable data, and fair settlements.

A Vision for the Future

Demeter Finance envisions a world where climate risks are not only mitigated but also turned into opportunities. By providing an innovative, data-driven, and decentralized platform, we aim to create a global ecosystem where individuals and businesses can actively manage their exposure to climate variability while fostering awareness of its financial impacts.

3. The Mechanism

Demeter Finance operates at the intersection of blockchain technology and climate science, offering participants a platform to stake and trade on climate outcomes using our native cryptocurrency, $DEMFI. The mechanism is designed to balance risk and reward, catering to a wide range of user preferences, from high-risk, high-reward projects to diversified, lower-risk bundles.

3.1. Buying and Staking $DEMFI

To participate in the platform, users must acquire $DEMFI tokens, the native cryptocurrency of Demeter Finance. These tokens can be staked directly on the platform, unlocking access to climate-based options contracts.

3.2. Participating in Projects

Participants choose from two main investment paths:

1. **Specific Projects:**
    - High-risk, high-reward options.
    - Use $DEMFI to buy or sell specific climate thresholds, such as "precipitation will exceed 200 mm in Region A during January."
    - Higher volatility and potential for significant returns.

2. **Bundles of Projects:**
    - Lower-risk, lower-reward options.
    - Use $DEMFI on a diversified set of projects covering multiple variables or regions.
    - Reduces exposure to individual outcomes while still offering consistent returns.

3.3. Buying or Selling Thresholds

Participants can take one of two positions:

- **Buying the Threshold:** Selecting that the observed value of a variable (e.g., precipitation, temperature) will exceed the threshold.
- **Selling the Threshold:** Selecting that the observed value will remain below the threshold.

3.4. Dynamic Valuation of Participation

The value of participation in a project is determined dynamically by climate forecasts and market forces of supply and demand between buyers and sellers. This ensures fair pricing and reflects real-time sentiment about the likelihood of a given climate outcome.

3.5. Settlement and Payouts

At the end of the contract period, outcomes are determined using reliable satellite or station-based data. Two settlement models are offered:

1. **Binary Options (Win or Loose):** Participants who correctly predict the outcome receive a pre-defined payout, while those who predict incorrectly loose their tokens.
2. **Progressive Payouts (Distance-Based Rewards):** Payouts are proportional to the closeness of the observed value to the predicted threshold, incentivizing accurate forecasts.

3.6. Reward Mechanism

Winners are awarded additional $DEMFI tokens from the platform's reward pool. The exact value of rewards depends on:

- The amount of tokens they invested.
- The yield at the moment of their investment.

3.7. Ensuring Transparency and Fairness

- **Data Sources:** All contracts are settled based on validated data from satellites or trusted meteorological stations, ensuring transparency and reliability.
- **Smart Contracts:** Blockchain-based smart contracts automate and enforce the settlement process, eliminating the possibility of tampering or disputes.

4. Tokenomics

4.1. Initial Distribution & Vesting

4.1.1. Token Fixed Supply

- The total token supply is 1.000.000.000
- The name of the token is $DEMFI
- Address: https://basescan.org/token/0xeef524073cfe33dcbe068cb2992b870268ab8fde#code
- Audit done by geoscope.io: https://www.cyberscope.io/audits/demfi

4.1.2. Token Allocation

- **Team:** Team will receive 20% of tokens supply, with a 1-year lock-up and a quarterly release of 1% of tokens supply afterwards (5-year release period).

- **Development Team (BIM):** Allocate 5% of tokens supply, with a 1-year lock-up and a quarterly release of 1.25% of tokens supply (1-year release period).

- **Treasury Fund:** 7% of tokens are allocated to a treasury fund for future ecosystem growth, partnerships, bounties, marketing, or grants.

- **Hedge Reserve:** Given the strategic importance of the Hedge Reserve (tokens that shall never been sold) as the Hedge Reserve is key to provide secured supply to 1-year staking users, we ensure that the supply dedicated to the Hedge Reserve should be close to the total private an public sale supply. Therefore, 30% of tokens will be used as a hedge reserve to provide liquidity for each option contract. This amount may grow with time. This amount may decrease as a result of contract payements. The hedging fund shall never be sold on the market.

- **Private Sale:** A private sale shall take place and will represent 5% of tokens supply, with a 6-month lock-up and a 10% monthly release afterwards. Private sale price will be 0.005 USDT. If the private sale is not settled before the pre sale, the unsold token supply will be added to the public sale.

- **Pre Sale:** A pre sale shall take place on a first come first serve basis and will represent 10% of tokens supply, with a 6-month lock-up and a 10% monthly release afterwards. Pre sale price will be 0.01 USDT. If pre sale is not settled before the pubic sale, the unsold token supply will be added to the public sale.

- **Public Sale:** 23% of tokens supply will be sold to the public through a DEX Offering, during a period to be determined, at a public sale price of 0.02 USDT. After a period to be determined, non sold tokens will be allocated to the Hedge and Treasury Reserve.

4.2. Utility & Value Proposition

4.2.1. Revenue Sharing / Fee Redistribution

- Demeter Finance earns revenue. Token holders have the option to stake their tokens on our platform. The rewards are determined by the profits Demeter Finance generates during the preceding period (e.g., weekly or monthly), and this timeframe may be adjusted in line with the project's development. For instance, if Demeter Finance earns 1,000,000 tokens in margin gains during a particular week, a set percentage of that sum—say 50%—will be allocated as staking rewards for the following week. Each participant's share of these rewards is then calculated based on the proportion of their stake relative to the entire staking pool.
- The rest of the earnings will be deposited in the Hedging Fund and the Treasury Fund in order to increase the hedging capacities, to cover the company's expenses and to contribute to marketing, partnerships and ecosystem. The allocated percentages will be equal at the beginning. These values may evolve as the project grows.

4.2.2. Platform Access & Discounts

- As the platform grows, the token will allow to unlock premium features, pay for services or gain discounts on platform products (for instance data, forecasts, etc.).

4.2.3. Governance Rights

- As the platform grows, we will grant token holders voting power to guide treasury spending, or ecosystem initiatives. This shall foster

a sense of ownership and align the community with the project's success.

4.3. Deflationary or Neutral Supply Measures

Demeter Finance tokenomics is designed to increase the token value using different mechanisms.

4.3.1. Staking (Revenue-Based) & Lock-up

- Staking rewards are based on the protocol revenues as describe in previous section.
- As the project grows, we will offer users to lock up tokens for governance or to access advanced features.

4.3.2. Burns

- At the moment, we do not consider necessary to implement a burning mechanism.
- If necessary, we shall implement, for instance, the following mechanism. After each period of margin gain calculation (e.g., weekly or monthly), a portion of protocol revenue (initially 0.1%) shall be burnt, reducing the circulating supply. This would increase scarcity and support token value, provided the platform generates ongoing revenue.

4.4. Treasury & Ecosystem Incentives

Our main objective is to ensure our project has resources for future growth.

4.4.1. Treasury

- 30% of token supply at launch will be dedicated to hedging funds to be used as a reserve for hedging the climate option contracts. Our governance rule ensures that this supply shall never be sold.
- 7% of token supply at launch will be dedicated to Treasury to fund development, grants, and ecosystem expansion.

4.4.2. Marketing & Partnerships

- Treasury tokens will be reserved to incentivize partnerships, run marketing campaigns, or seed liquidity in exchange listings.
- As the supply is fixed, careful scheduling of these tokens can help our project grow steadily without flooding the market.

4.5. Security & Transparency

4.5.1. Smart Contract Audits

- All tokens are minted at once, with a safe audit of the smart contract. The smart contract shall be audited by Cyberscope (https://www.cyberscope.io/).

4.5.2. Clear Communication

- As project grows, we shall publish quarterly or monthly updates showing treasury token usage, token holder distribution, and any burn events.
- This communication will contribute to maintaining trust as there's no new token supply to rely on.

4.6. Advantages & Challenges of $DEMFI Fixed Supply

4.6.1. Advantages

- **Predictability & Simplicity:** No unexpected inflation or emission schedules. Users and investors appreciate clear limits.
- **Scarcity-Driven Value:** Similar to Bitcoin's capped approach, scarcity can enhance perceived value as demand grows.
- **Easier to Explain:** A fixed supply is straightforward—no complex staking or inflation mechanics to digest.

4.6.2. Challenges

- **Fewer Built-In Incentives:** It is key to generate revenue.
- **Must Generate Real Demand:** With no new tokens to distribute, the project's utility and growth will justify continual demand to prevent stagnation.
- **Treasury Management:** We will carefully manage the tokens reserved for development and partnerships without eroding market confidence.

4.7. Conclusions

Our project is built on 5 pilars:

1. **Design Clear Utility** so users need the token for meaningful tasks (access to climate option contracts, staking through revenue sharing and, in the future, governance; see section 4.2).
2. **Ensure Transparent Token Allocation** at the outset, with fair vesting and a well-managed treasury (see section 4.1).
3. **Incentivize Participation** through revenue-based rewards, lockups, and, if necessary, burn programs (see section 4.3).
4. **Maintain Strong Governance & Community Engagement** to evolve the project, fund new initiatives, and ensure token holders feel vested in Demeter Finance success.
5. **Communicate Regularly** on how treasury and fee revenues are used, any burn events, and project milestones to maintain trust (see sections 4.4 and 4.5).

With these pillars in place, our **fixed-supply token** will cultivate consistent demand, incentivize organic growth, and maintain value over the long term—even without ongoing emissions.

5. Demeter Finance User Profiles

5.1. Stakers

Their role is key to increasing the number and volume of climate options, which in turn leads to significant rewards. They contribute to integral climate risk management, rather than speculating on specific events. To reward their trust, we guarantee an attractive rate of return in DEMFI, they receive governance votes based on the wagering period they choose, and they vote on the use of quarterly profits.

How It Works

Before the launch of the climate option interface, all stakers receive a 5% APR in DEMFI tokens.

After the launch of the climate option interface, they are rewarded according to the staking duration:

- **1-Year Staking**: 5% APR. Auto-renewal option available*.
- **6-Month Staking**: 4% APR. Auto-renewal option available*.
- **3-Month Staking**: 3% APR. Auto-renewal option available*.
- **Flexible Staking**: 2% APR.

***** If the auto-renewal option is not activated, at the end of the period without any action from their side, funds will not receive any more interests. Unstaking is not possible before the end of the selected period.

At the end of each quarter, we report to the DEMFI community the quarter's earnings. 50% of the earnings are put to a vote in the form of a question such as: *"Following the distributed earnings of XXX USDC generated during quarter XXX-XXX, how would you prefer these earnings to be allocated?"*

1. 25% DEMFI buyback – 75% distribution to 3-month to 1-year stakers in USDC
2. 50% DEMFI buyback – 50% distribution to 3-month to 1-year stakers in USDC
3. 75% DEMFI buyback – 25% distribution to 3-month to 1-year stakers in USDC

The distribution method is proportional to the cumulative amount of DEMFI staked during the quarter.

5.2. Climate Risk Hedger Profile

For users looking for low-risk opportunity with potentially medium rewards, this option may be ideal. Such users hedge a specific climate event that they believe is unlikely to occur, aiming for around a 5% return on a short-term, from one day to one month,.

How It Works

- **Choose a Specific Climate Option**: The user takes the hedger position on a particular climate outcome.
- **Invest $DEMFI Tokens**: The user invests the desired amount on the hedger side
- **Settlement Date**:
  - If the event does not happen, the hedger receives their initial investment plus the specified interest.
  - If the event does occur, the hedger forfeits the staked capital, which is used to compensate the users who hedged against that event.

This approach suits those with a low risk appetite who are comfortable with the possibility of losing their stake in exchange for the chance at short-term gains.

5.3. Climate Risk Heding Profile

Users who are directly exposed to a specific climate risk, or users who simply crave a high-risk, high-reward opportunity, will invest as climate risk buyers. They recognize the odds are slim, yet they are willing to invest their capital for the chance at substantial returns. They are not looking for stable or guaranteed outcomes; rather, they embrace the possibility of significant gains—fully aware they could lose their entire investment if the event doesn't go their way.

How It Works

- **Select a Climate Option:** The users take the hedged position on a particular climate event.
- **Invest $DEMFI Tokens:** They allocate a desired amount on the low-probability, high-return side.
- **Settlement Date:**
  - **If the event happens,** they earn the predetermined return.
  - **If it does not,** they forfeit their capital, which compensates the hedgers.

6. How It Works

Demeter Finance combines blockchain technology, reliable climate data, and a user-friendly interface to create a seamless experience for participants. This section explains the step-by-step process, from joining the platform to settling contracts and receiving payouts.

Step 1: Join the Platform and Acquire $DEMFI Tokens

To get started, participants must:

1. **Acquire $DEMFI Tokens:** Purchase our native cryptocurrency ($DEMFI) through decentralized exchanges with a compatible wallet.
2. **Sign Up:** Create an account on the Demeter Finance platform by connecting their crypto wallet to our site (demeterfinance.io).

Step 2: Explore Climate-Based Projects

Participants can explore available projects associated to tourism, sport events etc., each event is linked to specific climate variables, such as:

- **Precipitation**
- **Temperature**
- **Storm Intensity (Cloud Top Temperature)**
- **Wind speed**
- **Solar radiation**
- **Vegetation Health (NDVI)**

For each project, users can view detailed parameters, including:

- **Thresholds:** The target value (e.g., 150 mm of precipitation).
- **Timeframe:** The observation period (e.g., January 1–31).
- **Location:** The geographic area of interest.
- **Risk and Reward Metrics:** Project-specific details on expected returns and associated risks.

Step 3: Select Your Position (Buy or Sell the Threshold)

After identifying a project, participants can choose a position:

1. **Buy the Threshold (Call Option):** Predicting the observed value will exceed the threshold.
2. **Sell the Threshold (Put Option):** Predicting the observed value will stay below the threshold.

Participants commit $DEMFI tokens to their chosen position, defining the amount of their hedge.

Market Dynamics: The value of participation adjusts dynamically based on supply and demand, reflecting market sentiment about the likelihood of each climate outcome.

Step 4: Stake $DEMFI Tokens

Token holders have the option to stake their tokens on our platform. The longer they stake, the larger the reward. Extra earnings will also distributed according to quarterly votes of the DEMFI Holders.

The rest of the earnings will be deposited in the Hedging and Treasury Funds in order to increase the hedging limits provided to our clients and to fund the company's expenses.

Step 5: Monitor and Engage

Throughout the contract period, participants can track market activity, including:

- The number of buyers and sellers.
- Shifts in the value of participation.
- Real-time updates on observed data (e.g., precipitation levels or temperature trends).

Step 6: Data Collection and Verification

At the end of the observation period:

- **Reliable Data Sources:** The platform collects final data from trusted sources such as satellite imagery or weather stations.
- **Automated Verification:** Data is validated through blockchain-enabled smart contracts, ensuring accuracy and transparency.

Step 7: Settlement and Payout

Smart contracts automate the settlement process:

1. **Binary Options:** Ascerted hedgers receive a predefined payout; the others lose their investment.

2. **Progressive Payouts:** Rewards are calculated based on the proximity of the observed value to the threshold, with closer predictions receiving higher payouts.

Participants can withdraw their earnings directly to their wallets, stake them or reinvest them in new projects.

Step 8: Community Engagement and Rewards

Active participants who contribute valuable insights or data (e.g., historical climate data) may receive additional rewards, such as bonus $DEMFI tokens or access to exclusive projects.

This streamlined process ensures fairness, transparency, and ease of use, making Demeter Finance an accessible and reliable platform for managing climate risks.

7. Key Participants

Demeter Finance brings together a diverse ecosystem of stakeholders, each playing a critical role in the platform's success. These participants form the foundation of our marketplace, ensuring liquidity, transparency, and trust while advancing the platform's mission of democratizing access to climate risk management tools.

7.1. Option Buyers and Sellers

The core users of the platform are individuals and organizations who trade climate risk options.

- **Option Buyers:**
    i. Buy the observed climate variable exceeding the threshold (call option) or remaining below the threshold (put option).
    ii. Typically include speculators, investors, and entities with financial exposure to specific climate risks, such as agricultural producers or energy companies.

- **Option Sellers:**
    i. Take the opposite position by providing liquidity to the market.
    ii. Often include traders seeking steady returns by managing market risk.

7.2. Investors

Investors are a vital part of Demeter Finance, providing capital and liquidity for the platform.

- **Individual Investors:** Retail participants using $DEMFI tokens to hedge on projects or bundles.
- **Institutional Investors:** Larger entities seeking portfolio diversification or exposure to innovative financial instruments tied to climate variables.

7.3. Data Providers

Reliable and accurate data is the backbone of Demeter Finance. These participants ensure the integrity of the platform by supplying verifiable climate data.

- **Satellite Data Providers:** Organizations like NASA, ESA, or private companies that offer real-time and historical satellite imagery.
- **Meteorological Stations:** Ground-based sources providing granular and local climate metrics.

- **Specialized Climate Services:** Independent firms or institutions verifying and analyzing raw data for accuracy and reliability. We aim at working at the beginning exclusively with ECOCLIMASOL, a Climate Risk Management company with experience in data management, quality control and data analysis for insurance contracts (climate derivatives).

7.4. Platform Operators

The team behind Demeter Finance ensures the platform's smooth operation, security, and development.

- **Blockchain Developers (partnership with BIM):** Build and maintain the smart contracts and decentralized infrastructure that automate and secure the platform.
- **Climate Scientists (Partnership with ECOCLIMASOL):** Collaborate to define accurate thresholds, validate datasets, and assess project feasibility.
- **Customer Support (Demeter Finance):** Assist users with onboarding, trading, and technical issues, ensuring an optimal user experience.

7.5. Community Contributors

Engaged users who actively support the platform's growth by:

- **Providing Historical Data:** Farmers, researchers, or local institutions contributing climate data to refine predictive models and enhance decision-making.
- **Promoting the Platform:** Influencers, educators, or users spreading awareness about Demeter Finance and its benefits.
- **Offering Feedback:** Participants providing insights to improve platform features, usability, and offerings.

7.6. Auditors

To ensure compliance and trustworthiness, Demeter Finance works with **Independent Auditors** who will verify the accuracy of smart contracts, payout mechanisms, and financial reporting.

Collaborative Ecosystem

Demeter Finance ecosystem thrives on the collaboration of these key participants, who contribute their expertise, capital, and data. By fostering an inclusive and transparent environment, the platform ensures a sustainable and reliable marketplace for climate risk options trading.

8. Climate options

Demeter Finance flexible and data-driven platform opens doors to countless applications, from personal financial security to large-scale climate adaptation strategies. By tailoring use cases to diverse user needs, the platform establishes itself as a future global leader in climate risk management and innovation.

Demeter Finance enables users to buy or sell climate options. The initial price of each option is based on the probability of a specific event occurring, but it adjusts over time in response to new forecasts and to market supply and demand.

In the following, we present some use cases of climate options.

8.1. Tourism weather risk

Challenge: Hotels and touristic businesses can loose a large part of their incomes due to bad weather conditions. Similarly, tourists can spend a lot of money for vacation during a period of very bad weather conditions.

Solution: Demeter Finance enables all the touristic businesses and tourists to hedge against unfavorable weather conditions by trading options on climate variables. These climate options will be the first one to be made available on the Demeter Finace Platform.
In particular, we will provide daily options based on the Tourism Climate Index (TCI) for a set of capitals and touristic destinations worldwide. The Tourism Climate Index (TCI) is a widely used tool to evaluate the suitability of climate conditions for tourism. It combines various meteorological factors that influence tourist comfort, such as temperature, humidity, sunshine, precipitation, and wind speed. The formula is based on:

- CID: Daytime Comfort Index (temperature and humidity)
- CIA: Daily Comfort Index (temperature and humidity)
- PI: Precipitation Index
- R: Radiation (sunshine hours)
- W: Wind Index
- Scale**:** Ranges from 0 (unfavorable) to 100 (ideal tourism conditions).

Potential touristic cities for first list of climate options

1. Paris, France
2. Orlando, USA
3. Los Angeles, USA
4. Roma, Italia
5. Barcelona, Spain
6. New York, USA
7. London, United Kingdom
8. Buenos Aires, Argentina

9. Athenas, Greece
10. Sydney, Australia

For each site, we shall compute a Tourism Climate Index The option shall be daily based to suit with short term visits of the cities and attraction parks.

8.2. Sport events

Challenge: Weather can significantly affect the results of sport events. Providing a climate option on sport events can allow sportsfan to bet on such adverse event occurece and also provide a hedging mechanism for organizers or associated businesses.

Solution: Demeter Finance will set up using statistics and forecasts weather event bets on sepcific sport events. $DEMFI holders will be invited to select the events of preference.

8.3. Agricultural Risk Management

Challenge: Farmers and agribusinesses face significant losses due to unpredictable climate events such as droughts, floods, or heatwaves.

Solution: Demeter Finance enables agricultural stakeholders to hedge against unfavorable weather conditions by trading options on climate variables. As an example, a corn farmer in Argentina can buy a **put option** to protect against low precipitation during the growing season (for instance P<100mm in January).
In particular, we will provide monthly or 3-month period options based either on precipitation or satellite-based vegetation index and computed over high-productivity agricultural regions such as in the mid-west (USA corn belt), in Brazil, in Argentina for extensive corn and soybean production, but also in coffee and cacao producer countries.

8.4. Renewable Energy Optimization

Challenge: Solar and wind energy production is heavily dependent on weather conditions, leading to revenue volatility.

Solution: Renewable energy providers can use Demeter Finance to stabilize their revenue streams by trading options based on sunshine hours, wind speed, or cloud cover. For instance:

- A solar farm operator in Spain could purchase a put option predicting low levels of sunshine during a critical period to offset losses from a potential overcast season.

8.5. Disaster Risk Mitigation for Governments

Challenge: Governments often lack flexible tools to manage financial exposure to climate-related disasters like hurricanes, floods, or droughts.

Solution: Public sector agencies can use Demeter Finance to secure payouts based on disaster triggers.

- Municipalities can stake in projects tied to extreme heat events, offsetting costs associated with public cooling initiatives.
- A local government could buy options tied to drought to prepare for economic impact on agro-dependent businesses.

8.6. Smallholder Empowerment in Emerging Markets

Challenge: Smallholder farmers and rural communities often lack access to affordable climate risk management tools.

Solution: Demeter Finance democratizes access to climate options trading, empowering underserved populations.

- Smallholder cooperatives in Africa can pool resources to stake on rainfall options, protecting against crop failure.
- Local entrepreneurs can act as intermediaries, facilitating access to the platform in regions with limited digital literacy.

9. Advantages of Demeter Finance

Demeter Finance Investment offers a unique blend of technological innovation, transparency, and accessibility, making it an unparalleled solution for climate risk management and speculative investment. This section highlights the key advantages of the platform.

9.1. Democratization of Climate Risk Management

Demeter Finance breaks down barriers to entry, providing individuals and organizations with affordable, user-friendly tools to manage climate risks.

- **Accessible for All:** Both retail and institutional investors can participate without requiring extensive knowledge of climate science or traditional financial instruments.
- **Global Coverage:** The platform's reliance on satellite and ground-based data ensures availability for virtually any location worldwide.

9.2. Data-Driven Decision Making

Reliable and verified climate data forms the foundation of Demeter Finance Investment, ensuring informed decision-making for all participants.

- **Trusted Sources:** Data from established institutions such as NASA, ESA, or regional meteorological organizations.
- **Real-Time Updates:** Continuous monitoring of variables like precipitation, temperature, and vegetation indices enables dynamic and responsive trading.

9.3. Blockchain Transparency and Security

The platform leverages blockchain technology to guarantee fairness, transparency, and security for all transactions.

- **Smart Contracts:** Automated enforcement of terms, eliminating the need for intermediaries and reducing the risk of disputes.
- **Immutable Records:** Every transaction and outcome is recorded on the blockchain, ensuring accountability and trust.

9.4. Versatile Investment Opportunities

Demeter Finance caters to diverse risk appetites and investment goals.

- **High-Risk Projects:** Investors seeking significant returns can stake CRI tokens on specific high-risk, high-reward options.
- **Low-Risk Bundles:** Those with a conservative approach can opt for bundles, spreading their exposure across multiple projects.

9.5. Dual Settlement Models

Participants can choose from two payout structures, offering flexibility to suit different risk preferences.

- **Binary Options:** Straightforward win/lose contracts for users who prefer clear and defined outcomes.
- **Progressive Payouts:** Rewards based on the proximity of observed values to thresholds, incentivizing precise predictions.

9.6. Financial and Environmental Impact

Demeter Finance Investment not only generates financial opportunities but also supports environmental awareness and adaptation.

- **Hedging Against Climate Risks:** Industries like agriculture and renewable energy can mitigate financial losses caused by adverse climate events.
- **Driving Climate Action:** By monetizing climate data and trends, the platform encourages investment in climate-related research and innovation.

9.7. Low Barriers to Entry

The platform is designed to be inclusive and accessible.

- **Simple Onboarding:** Intuitive user interfaces and comprehensive tutorials make it easy for first-time users to get started.
- **Affordable Participation:** Users can stake $DEMFI tokens at varying levels, accommodating participants with different budgets.

9.8. Liquidity and Market Dynamics

The dynamic marketplace ensures active trading and fair valuation of options.

- **Market-Driven Pricing:** Values adjust based on weather forecast and supply and demand, reflecting real-time sentiment and data updates.
- **Active Participation:** The platform fosters a vibrant ecosystem of buyers, sellers, and data contributors, ensuring liquidity.

9.9. Scalability and Growth Potential

Demeter Finance Investment is built for scalability, with the capacity to expand its features and reach.

- **New Variables:** Future integration of additional climate metrics, such as air quality or sea surface temperature.
- **Geographic Expansion:** Increased data coverage for emerging markets and remote regions.

9.10. Competitive Edge

By combining blockchain technology with actionable climate data, Demeter Finance Investment stands out in the market as a revolutionary platform for climate-based financial instruments. Its transparent, secure, and flexible approach provides unmatched advantages to its users, fostering both financial growth and climate resilience.

10. Roadmap

Demeter Finance roadmap outlines a strategic plan for development, launch, and expansion, ensuring the platform delivers on its mission to revolutionize climate risk management and investment.

In the following roadmap, M1 is January 2025.

Phase 1: Foundation and Development (Months 1–6)

- **M1: $DEMFI Token creation**
  https://basescan.org/token/0xeef524073cfe33dcbe068cb2992b870268ab8fde

- **M1: $DEMFI Token audit**
  https://www.cyberscope.io/audits/demfi

- **M2: $DEMFI team and partner vesting smart contract creation**
  https://basescan.org/address/0xa8f4fbdac6f306dd4554c408917c7d6add9606f1#code

- **M2: Social network launch (discord, X, Telegram, Youtube)**
  Telegram: t.me/demficommunity
  X: https://x.com/demficommunity
  Discord: @demficommunity

- **M2: Branding and platform design and architecture**

- **M3: $DEMFI Private sale launch**
  - 2% DEMFI airdrop for the first DEMFI buyers
  - 3% DEMFI airdrop for the DEMFI buyers above 5.000USDC
  - 5% DEMFI airdrop for the DEMFI buyers above 10.000USDC

- **M4: DEMFI V1 platform launch (demfi.io)**

- **M4: $DEMFI staking system through demfi.io**
  - $DEMFI holders will have access to a staking interface with a 5% APR until the climate option interface launch. Afterwards, staking APR will be based on Demeter Finance revenues.

- **M5: $DEMFI presale launch**
  - 1% DEMFI airdrop for the first DEMFI holders
  - 2% DEMFI airdrop for the DEMFI buyers above 5.000USDC
  - 4% DEMFI airdrop for the DEMFI buyers above 10.000USDC

Phase 2: Beta Testing and Community Building (Months 7–12)

- **$DEMFI public sale launch**
  - Launch the native cryptocurrency (DEMFI) distribution mechanisms through a DEX Offering.
- **Beta Launch:**
  - Release a fully functional beta version of the platform to a select group of users.
  - Test core functionalities such as data integration and payouts.
- **Community Engagement:**
  - Launch marketing campaigns to build a community of early adopters and contributors.
  - Host webinars, AMAs, and educational content on climate risk management and the platform.
- **Feedback and Iteration:**
  - Gather user feedback to refine the platform, improve usability, and optimize the trading experience.

Phase 3: Public Launch and Scaling (Months 13–24)

- **Global Rollout:**
  - Officially launch the platform to the public, supporting multiple languages.
  - Expand data coverage to include emerging markets and remote regions.
- **Advanced Features:**
  - Introduce progressive payout models alongside binary options.
  - Explore additional climate variables.
- **Liquidity Pool and Market Dynamics:**
  - Establish liquidity pools to ensure market stability and dynamic pricing of options.
- **$DEMFI Value Target:**
  - At the end of M24, we aim the $DEMFI value to increase by a factor 10 (x10 from launch value). This target may be reached earlier in the context of a cryptomarket bull run. We aim this target to be a support value even in a bear market phase.
- **Enhanced Tools for Users:**
  - Launch mobile application for easier access.

Phase 4: Ecosystem Expansion (Months 25–36)

- **Partnership Development:**
  - Collaborate with governments and insurance providers for tailored use cases.
  - Establish partnerships with cryptocurrency exchanges to enhance $DEMFI liquidity.
- **Enhanced Tools for Users:**
  - Deploy predictive analytics and visualization tools for better decision-making.
  - Leverage AI and machine learning to refine climate predictions and market modeling.
- **Incentives for Data Contributors:**
  - Reward participants for sharing historical climate data or providing local insights.

Phase 5: Long-Term Growth and Innovation (Years 4–5)

- **Decentralized Governance:**
  - Transition to a decentralized autonomous organization (DAO) model for community-led decision-making.
- **Integration with Emerging Technologies:**
  - Explore Web3 integrations for enhanced transparency and user engagement.
- **Global Climate Impact:**
  - Use platform data and insights to influence policy-making and drive investments in climate adaptation projects.
- **$DEMFI Value Target:**
  - At the end of Y5, we aim the $DEMFI proce to increase by a factor 100 (x100 from public launch value). This target may be reached earlier in the context of a cryptomarket bull run. We aim this target to be a support value even in a bear market phase.

11. Conclusion

Demeter Finance represents a groundbreaking approach to managing climate risk and exploring innovative financial opportunities. By merging the transparency and security of blockchain technology with reliable climate data, the platform creates a unique marketplace that empowers individuals, businesses, and institutions to hedge against climate uncertainties while potentially profiting from their insights.

The platform's dual focus on financial innovation and climate resilience addresses some of the most pressing challenges of our time. Farmers can safeguard their crops, renewable energy providers can stabilize revenues, investors can diversify their portfolios, and governments can better prepare for climate-related disasters. Through flexible options and progressive payout mechanisms, Demeter Finance Investment ensures inclusivity for participants with varying levels of risk tolerance and expertise.

As the world increasingly grapples with climate volatility, the need for tools like Demeter Finance becomes ever more critical. The platform's reliance on real-time data and decentralized operations ensures trust, scalability, and adaptability in a rapidly changing environment. Furthermore, by providing access to affordable, data-driven financial instruments, Demeter Finance contributes to a more equitable and sustainable global economy.

The future of Demeter Finance is one of continuous innovation and expansion. Through strategic partnerships, user-focused enhancements, and a commitment to sustainability, the platform aims to solidify its position as a leader in climate-based financial markets. Together, we can create a more resilient world, turning climate risks into opportunities for growth and collaboration.