

Ethereum Sharding Slated for 2020: ETH Foundation Researcher Justin Drake **Bus./Industry**

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The team are calling the new initiative “Ethereum 2.0,” which they describe as a very ambitious project that will likely be rolled out over several years despite being just a single, albeit complex, design.

By Conor Maloney for CCN, **JULY 06, 2018 23:20** Sharding, a much-anticipated Ethereum scaling solution, could be implemented as soon as 2020, Ethereum Foundation researcher Justin Drake said on Friday. Speaking to [TechCrunch](#), Ethereum researchers including Drake and co-creator Vitalik Buterin discussed scaling solutions and the future of the project, outlining specific goals and functions of their upcoming new features. Discussing scaling, Buterin said that transactions fees depend largely on supply and demand, adding: “There are a lot of people who are sending transactions and want those transactions to get onto the blockchain. The blockchain is popular enough and people are interested enough in using it that they basically have to compete to get those transactions included into the blocks.” He acknowledged that if the team were able to start afresh, they would be able to implement numerous features that would significantly help with scaling, but added that the problem was “fundamentally hard” either way. […]

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