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Thread: [Is this the biggest ethereum scam on instagram?](#)

b2plane - January 3, 2022, 5:37 am

LMAO just came across this <https://www.instagram.com/vitalik.eth/>

apparently someone from israel has been running this account since 2017/2019 or so, pretending to be the official vitalik. there were multiple name changes and the latest one is @vitalik.eth

it looks really legit on the first look. lots of comment, engagement, 643k followers, first post from 2019 etc. and those are actual real organic followers btw. because this scam account has been running instagram and facebook ads.

and now they posted the classic giveaway scam:

thoughts?

yorickx - January 3, 2022, 7:10 am

The story have been removed

G Eazy - January 3, 2022, 1:04 pm

Well obviously that isn't real they just want your money

Wolf - January 3, 2022, 3:29 pm

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b2plane - January 3, 2022, 3:55 pm

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can he be found and arrested? if not then please explain how is he able to remain anonymous?

how is he able to run this scam for so long without getting his ig banned and reported?

also who the f@ck is smart enough to have 1+ ethereum and dumb enough to fall for this classic scam in the same time??? I am not smart when it comes to finances and omni can confirm that, but in spite of that i am not THAT dumb to believe the "giveaway" is real. the fact that people fall for this classic scam is beyond my understanding...

The Host - January 4, 2022, 1:39 am

Surprised he isn't banned for impersonation

618C - January 4, 2022, 1:45 am

saw a topic about this guy yesterday aswell. its a scam dont get trickd

Tomb Raider - January 4, 2022, 1:55 am

You'll be surprised how many people fall for it unfortunately

UNKNOWN1 - January 4, 2022, 4:04 am

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CryptoGuru10 - January 4, 2022, 4:08 am

People that get scammed from this stupid giveaway deserve it lol

helloworld1 - January 4, 2022, 4:32 am

(Jan 4, 2022 05:04 AM)UNKNOWN1 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The scammer has a lot of money and keeps scamming, this is sad.

very very sad i was victim of Elon Musk giveaway last year

kookur - January 4, 2022, 4:38 am

This scam is so well done that newbies will definitely fall for this, there was an official page with vitalik's name was advertising on instagram for the giveaway and it was a "sponsored" add.

Wolf - January 5, 2022, 12:55 am

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It's a common practice and Instagram doesn't care or can't catch up. Although it's not only Instagram. Google itself, YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, Telegram, and I've seen some well-prepared TikTok Scams People are putting their real-life assets into crypto. There's a lot of newbies and because they have good experience with investments (any DeFi project) they are easy victims for the scammers.

xVulnerable - January 5, 2022, 5:27 am

Did scammer really just make \$300k in 2 days?

BrainDD - January 5, 2022, 7:35 am

OH MY GOD; the ammount of people that will get rekt from a fake instagram account, no wonder why i keep seeing the "my wallet got stolen" topics all over reddit

dt21mlg - January 5, 2022, 8:41 am

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Elliotrades - January 5, 2022, 10:32 am

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Echoz - January 5, 2022, 8:11 pm

(Jan 5, 2022 09:41 AM)dt21mlg Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Jesus christ, how do i start scamming like this? If only I could make this money legit. That would be the dream.

dt21mlg - January 6, 2022, 12:11 pm

(Jan 5, 2022 11:32 AM)Elliotrades Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What type of people fall for it?

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Yes but how can somebody be intelligent enough to have crypto, buy crypto, trade crypto, know what crypto is and still fall for a scam like this???

Omniscient - January 6, 2022, 12:48 pm

(Jan 5, 2022 06:27 AM)xVulnerable Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Did scammer really just make \$300k in 2 days? 81 ETH. Yup. That's how stupid people are.

PR1V473 - January 6, 2022, 7:22 pm

Around 280,000\$ stolen in ETH in the past 10 days or so.

b2plane - January 7, 2022, 1:02 pm

(Jan 7, 2022 10:29 AM)dt21mlg Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I love the fact that its been running since 2019 and the account had been banned lol
when was it banned?