

Is ethresear.ch legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

ethresear.ch

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

ethresear.ch appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-07-31 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

An Ethereum-focused research forum index presenting recent community topics across protocol engineering, proof-of-stake, economics, cryptography, privacy, consensus, networking, governance, and scaling. It offers normal sign-up and login navigation without a visible credential form or financial transaction request on the sampled page.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	Not available No registration record was returned	NOTED
Web archive	Archived since 2017 479 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by YE2	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Public web-archive history exists since 2017.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.
- The operator behind the site could not be independently connected to a real-world brand or person.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is an established community forum for public Ethereum research, presenting technical discussions on protocol engineering, proof-of-stake, scaling, cryptography, economics, privacy, networking, and governance, with standard membership navigation rather than investment solicitation or transaction services.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No identity contradictions, phishing indicators, brand impersonation, or malicious reputation signals were observed. The current Ethereum-research purpose is consistent with a substantial, continuous historical presence, and the sampled homepage contains substantive community discussions without deposit requests, promised returns, wallet-connect functionality, or sensitive-data harvesting. These signals strongly support the site's authenticity as an informational research forum.

- The homepage identifies the service as "Ethereum Research" and displays active, subject-specific forum topics, including proof-of-stake, EVM improvements, scaling, cryptography, and protocol economics.
- Historical records show 479 archive snapshots from 2017-10-13 through 2026-05-18, covering 10 tracked years; no suspicious repurposing or semantic drift was established.
- The domain was registered in 2017 and is approximately 8.79 years old.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious and 0 suspicious detections, no phishing finding, no external blacklist finding, and an established global traffic rank of 335,791.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The sampled site operates as a technical discussion platform rather than a broker, exchange, investment service, or deposit-taking business. It makes no observed offer of financial returns and presents no licensing claim requiring validation in the supplied page evidence. The absence of a match in the broker-intelligence dataset is therefore neutral and does not constitute an adverse regulatory finding.

- The homepage is classified as a forum topic listing and contains no request for deposits, financial transactions, or investment participation.
- The sampled page presents ETH and Ethereum as research subjects, not as products offered for sale.
- No broker identity, license authority, license number, or regulated-service claim appears in the supplied homepage content.
- The site's transport encryption uses a certificate issued by YE2, with validation level unspecified and validity through 2026-08-04.

What to Verify Next

Routine institutional onboarding controls remain appropriate: confirm that account-registration navigation remains on the expected domain, review the forum's applicable account and moderation terms before organizational participation, and independently confirm any financial or commercial proposition posted by individual community members rather than attributing it to the platform.

- The homepage provides ordinary “Sign Up” and “Log In” navigation but displayed no embedded credential form in the sampled view.
- Behavioral testing completed 2 of 2 runs without external XHR requests, external posts, wallet-provider activity, clipboard manipulation, suspicious scripts, or cloaking.
- The forum is user-generated and includes sortable topic, poster, reply, view, and activity listings, making individual posts distinct from platform-level representations.

Summary Verdict

The site has a high-trust, legitimate, and established posture supported by convergent provenance, substantive content, clean reputation, and stable operation. Normal interaction, including account login and standard forum use, is appropriate.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website uses Cloudflare CDN/WAF protection, which limits direct origin exposure and mitigates routine network-layer threats without independently proving legitimacy. The observed edge address is 212.99.218.66, served from AS21413 by ENVIA-TEL-AS / Envia Tel GmbH in Germany; no origin candidate was exposed during the analysis.

Closing Assessment

Prospective users and organizations may engage with the forum normally, applying standard account-security practices and ordinary due diligence to claims made by individual contributors.

Written analysis generated 2026-07-31 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	30/100
Identity verification confidence	50%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of ethresearch.ch.

- The request stayed on ethresearch.ch. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2017-10-13. CLEAR
- It is hosted on ENVIA-TEL-AS, from a server in DE. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Not available
Hosting	ENVIA-TEL-AS - Envia Tel GmbH, DE
Country	DE
Server IP	212.99.218.66
Name servers	Not available
SSL issuer	YE2
SSL expiry	2026-08-04
Domain age	Not available (no registration date was returned)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	2017-10-13
Archive snapshots	479
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about ethresearch.ch at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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