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# Rating Report

CRO - Cronos

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## Free report

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The purpose of this report is to gather all the important characteristics of the cryptocurrency or token. The report is performed in the following order:

1. Basic information
2. Analysis
3. Conclusion

Note that the result of this report should be interpreted as an independent analysis, not as a signal to buy or sell an asset. Please, always DYOR.

## 1. Basic information

CRO (Cronos) is a cryptocurrency developed by Crypto.com, a leading CEX platform for buying, selling, and managing cryptocurrencies. Its primary purposes include:

- **Trading Fee Reduction and Platform Benefits.** CRO provides users with reduced trading fees on the Crypto.com exchange when used to pay for transaction costs. Additionally, it offers exclusive perks such as cashback rewards on the Crypto.com Visa Card, among other benefits.
- **Ecosystem Utility.** CRO serves as the native token for the Cronos Chain to support decentralized applications (dApps) in areas like decentralized finance (DeFi), non-fungible tokens (NFTs), and the metaverse.

Initially launched as an ERC-20 token, CRO evolved into the native token of the Cronos Chain following Crypto.com's blockchain launch. The token's supply was significantly reduced through a 70% token burn in 2021, leaving a total supply of 30 billion CRO. Over time, CRO has transitioned from a simple utility token for fee discounts to a comprehensive cryptocurrency driving a growing ecosystem. Its real-world applications, such as enabling payments through Crypto.com Pay and supporting DeFi and NFT platforms, position it as a key player in the broader web3 finance landscape.

## 2. Analysis

In the following tables we will show the different areas researched, such as tech, strategy and economy.

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Tech	Type	Cryptocurrency		Token		Others	
	Layer	0	1	2	3	Others	
	Blockchain	Ethereum	Cosmos	Solana	BNB Chain	Others	
	Category	Utility	Security	Stable	Meme	Others	
	Consensus	PoW	PoS	PoA	PoB	Others	
	ISO	Yes			No		
	Bug Bounty	Yes			No		
	Audits	Yes			No		
	Auto Audit <sup>(1)</sup>	0	1	2	3	4	5

\*(1) The auto audit score is performed by 6 different digital audits: Certik Skynet, Quick Intel, Go Plus, HoneyPot, Token Sniffer and StaySAFU through the DEXTools app

On the one hand, the tech block reveals that CRO is a layer 1 token functioning within the Cronos Chain, which employs a Proof of Authority (PoA) consensus protocol. This setup ensures efficiency through low transaction fees and facilitates scalability and interoperability, given its foundation on the Cosmos ecosystem.

CRO is categorized as a 'utility' token, enhancing its use-case within the Crypto.com platform and beyond. While it has been audited by reputable cybersecurity firms like CertiK, it lacks ISO certifications, which slightly impacts its score in this area. Additionally, the project maintains a bug bounty program, encouraging security researchers to identify and report vulnerabilities, further strengthening its security posture.

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Strategy	Governance	Centralized		Decentralized		Others	
	Open Source	Yes			No		
	Roadmap	Yes			No		
	Partnerships	Yes			No		
	Public Team	Yes			No		
	Social media	Abandoned		Active		Others	
	CAPED <sup>(2)</sup>	0	1	2	3	4	5

<sup>(2)</sup> The CAPED score is an analysis of capitalization, trader's activity, price performance, development and engagement. This analysis was deployed initially by the Alpha Intelligence team of Hacken

On the other hand, in the strategy block, CRO stands out as a well-established project. Its market capitalization and trading activity reflect a stable and mature project, which naturally correlates with a lower CAPED score typical for such projects. The absence of a public roadmap might seem unusual, but for a project of CRO's stature with a public team, significant partnerships like those with Visa and Shopify, and active social media engagement, this aspect is less critical. The project's visibility and community interaction are strong indicators of its strategic positioning.

However, it's important to note that CRO operates under a centralized governance model, meaning key decisions are made by a core team or entity rather than being decentralized among token holders. This approach can streamline decision-making but may raise concerns about transparency and decentralization. Furthermore, the project is not open source at all, limiting external scrutiny and community contributions to its development.

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Economy	Supply	Limited			Infinite		
	Burn	Yes			No		
	Collateral	Yes			No		
	Buybacks	Yes			No		
	Tokenomics <sup>(3)</sup>	0	1	2	3	4	5

\*(3) The tokenomics score is performed by COIN4RATING considering factors as supply, burn mechanism, distribution, vesting and possibility of staking/liquidity pools

Lastly, when examining the token economy, CRO's limited supply, coupled with its burn mechanism, supports a deflationary strategy, which is positive for long-term value. However, like most cryptocurrencies, it does not have collateral backing, but its tokenomics are well-regarded due to its utility across various aspects of the Crypto.com ecosystem and the broader blockchain interoperability.

It's worth noting that CRO does not currently have a buyback program in place, which could otherwise provide additional price support. Despite this, the project achieves a commendable score in tokenomics due to its well-structured economic model.

Overall, the analysis has been carried out satisfactorily.

### 3. Conclusion

The report provides a comprehensive yet concise analysis of the project's key characteristics. After thorough investigation, we confidently assess the project's performance as achieving the following rating:



(\*) Note: Rating is from AAA+ to C- scoring.

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