Rating Report

KCS - KuCoin Token

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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

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1. Basic information

KCS (KuCoin Token) is the native token of the KuCoin exchange, one of the leading global platforms for trading digital assets. Its primary purposes include:

- **Trading fee discounts**. Holders benefit from reduced trading fees on the KuCoin exchange when they use the token to pay for transaction costs.
- **Ecosystem utility**. KCS is used across various services within KuCoin, including payment for margin trading fees, futures trading fees, and participation in token sales on KuCoin Spotlight and BurningDrop. It also serves as collateral for loans on KuCoin's lending platform.
- Support for KuCoin Community Chain (KCC). The token plays a central role in KuCoin's native blockchain, KCC, an Ethereum-compatible decentralized network designed for fast and low-cost transactions. KCS is used for gas fees, staking, and governance within the KCC ecosystem, promoting decentralization and user engagement.

Originally designed to reward KuCoin users, but it has since grown into a multifaceted token with a wide range of utilities within and beyond the KuCoin ecosystem.



2. Analysis

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

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Tech	Туре	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 (1)	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 tech side, KCS operates as a layer 2 token built on the KuCoin Community Chain (KCC), an Ethereum-compatible blockchain. It uses a Proof of Staking Authority (PoSA) consensus, a hybrid model combining PoS efficiency with PoA's validator approval system, balancing decentralization and scalability.

On the other hand, while KCC's code is open-source, KCS itself remains proprietary to KuCoin. The project has strengthened its security posture with audits: a financial audit by Mazars (similar to Big Four standards), a recent technical audit by Hacken, and a SOC 2 Type II certification (a rigorous operational compliance benchmark).

Additionally, its bug bounty program, hosted on HackenProof and KuCoin's platform, focuses on securing the CEX infrastructure.

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Strategy	Governance	Centr	alized	Decent	tralized	Others			
	Open Source	Yes			No				
	Roadmap	Yes			No				
	Partnerships	Yes			No				
	Public Team	Yes			No				
	Social media	Abandoned		Active		Others			
	CAPED (2)	0	1	2	3	4	5		

^{*(2)} 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

In the strategy block, KCS benefits from KuCoin's established ecosystem, featuring a public team, active roadmap, and high-profile partnerships (e.g., Poloniex, DASH, and Hyperlinq). Its centralized governance aligns with KuCoin's exchange-driven model, while its vibrant social media presence reflects ongoing engagement.

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Economy	Supply	Limited			Infinite				
	Burn	Yes			No				
	Collateral	Yes			No				
	Buybacks	Yes			No				
	Tokenomics (3)	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

Tokenomics remain a highlight: limited supply, deflationary burns, and buybacks funded by trading fees create scarcity. Though uncollateralized, its utility—daily trading fee dividends, fee discounts, and DeFi integration on KCC—supports a robust valuation. With these upgrades, KCS solidifies its position as a competitive exchange token with improved transparency and security.

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.





