Tech Due Diligence Checklist for Smart VCs

Section 1: Codebase & Architecture

[ ] Is the codebase modular, clean, and well-organized?

[ ] Are there tests with decent coverage (unit/integration)?

[ ] Is the architecture scalable for 10x user growth?

[ ] Are there signs of rushed or inconsistent coding styles?

[ ] Any signs of legacy tech or deprecated frameworks?

Section 2: Security & Compliance

[ ] Are access controls (authentication/authorization) in place?

[ ] Are there secure coding practices in use (e.g., no hardcoded secrets)?

[ ] Are APIs protected and encrypted properly?

[ ] Are GDPR and relevant data laws being followed?

[ ] Has a vulnerability assessment or penetration test been performed?

Section 3: Infrastructure & DevOps

[ ] Are CI/CD pipelines established and documented?

[ ] Is the infrastructure scalable and cloud-optimized (AWS, GCP, Azure)?

[ ] Are monitoring and alerting systems in place?

[ ] Is there version control with proper branching workflows?

[ ] Are backups and disaster recovery strategies active?

Section 4: Team & Tech Culture

[ ] Does the team have experience scaling similar platforms?

[ ] Is knowledge distributed (avoiding single-point failure)?

[ ] Are documentation and onboarding processes in place?

[ ] Are QA and product functions integrated into development?

[ ] Is the team working with agile or devops methodologies?

Section 5: Tech Roadmap & Vision Alignment

[ ] Is the roadmap technically feasible within timelines and budget?

[ ] Are there architectural plans for new features or scale-up?

[ ] Does the tech strategy align with the business model & goals?

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[ ] Are there red flags in vendor lock-in or licensing dependencies?

[ ] Has the roadmap been pressure-tested by a third-party expert?

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