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Supporting responsible and trustworthy innovation

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Blockchain and other decentralised ledger technologies are emerging as an important feature in the next evolution of the digital economy, and the foundation on which many beneficial new products, services and markets could be built, from new forms of finance to novel governance models and means for social connection. At the same time, successive waves of blockchain innovation have demonstrated the need to fully reflect the legal rights and responsibilities of participants – and the expectations of wider society – in these networks, the activities they support and the governance structures that have sprung up around them. The lack of geographic boundaries in decentralised systems, and the global nature of digital markets more broadly, have made cooperation between countries crucial.

Establishing approaches, practices and frameworks to guide blockchain towards responsible and trustworthy innovation is an imperative for business and a priority for governments – and an important precondition to widespread use in the future. The fifth edition of the OECD's annual Global Blockchain Policy Forum brings together policymakers, innovators and thought leaders to address key challenges and promote action towards this goal, including with the launch the *OECD Recommendation on Blockchain and Other Decentralised Ledger Technologies* – the world's first government-endorsed policy standard on blockchain technology.

# AGENDA

## WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022– Plenary Sessions

### 09:00-10:00 Registration and networking breakfast – Day 1

### 10:00-10:20 Welcome and Launch of the OECD blockchain policy standard

Room CC1

Welcome and address from the OECD leadership, launching the landmark new policy standard, the *OECD Recommendation on Blockchain and Other Distributed Ledger Technologies*.

#### Speakers:

*Yoshiki Takeuchi* - Deputy Secretary-General, OECD (Virtual)

*Carmine Di Noia* - Director, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD

### 10:20-10:30 High-level keynote – Global priorities in technology governance

Room CC1

#### (Virtual address)

OECD members have emphasised in recent years that the benefits of digital innovation must be inclusive and fairly distributed, and that the development and use of emerging technologies be consistent with shared values. This opening keynote contextualises the OECD's blockchain work and considerations of the nascent Web3 transformation by reflecting on the priorities for technological governance on the international stage.

#### Keynote speaker:

*Ivan Bartoš* - Deputy Prime Minister for Digitalisation, Czech Republic

### 10:30-11:10 High-level dialogue – Do new forms of finance need new global frameworks?

Room CC1

#### (Hybrid session)

Crypto-assets, decentralised finance and other blockchain-based financial innovations are driving some of the most consequential shifts in finance today. Such innovations present significant opportunities to lift the efficiency and efficacy of financial systems – however the myriad risks cut across major domestic and international regulatory and supervisory mandates and the rules used to deliver on them.

These developments are global and the issues presented are deeply interconnected, but policy responses to date risk fragmentation between countries and among international institutions. This high-level dialogue brings together financial policy leaders to consider the gaps in our current approaches for global co-operation and coordination, and implications for the rules and the institutions that underpin these approaches.

#### In conversation with:

*Carmine Di Noia* - Director, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD

*Tobias Adrian* - Financial Counsellor and Director of the Monetary and Capital Markets Department, International Monetary Fund (remote)

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**11:10-12:30 Panel – Getting to good governance in decentralised systems**

Room CC1

Mainstreaming blockchain means meshing decentralised governance with the wider environment of legal, regulatory and social expectations – a core element of the OECD's new blockchain policy standard. The Forum's opening panel will consider the landscape of actors in a decentralised ecosystem, identifying where responsibilities lie, and what existing and upcoming methods there are to lift governance, strengthen market integrity and confidence, and deliver on this technology's promises of transparency, connectivity and trust.

**Speakers:**

*Mathilde Mesnard* - Deputy Director, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD (Moderator)

*Lawrence Wintermeyer* - Chair, GBBC Digital Finance

*Primavera de Filippi* - Researcher, CERSA, and Research Fellow, Berkman-Klein Center, Harvard University

*Nadia Filali* - Head of Blockchain & Cryptoassets, Caisse des Dépôts

*Caroline Malcolm* - Head of International Public Policy & Research, Chainalysis

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**12:30-14:00 Lunch Break**

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**14:00-15:15 Panel – Driving interoperability through international co-operation: Lessons from digital identity initiatives**

Room CC1

While blockchain has the potential to enhance economic connectivity, international efforts have underlined the need for both technical interoperability and policy interoperability, which remains a challenge across countries, sectors and applications. This session highlights experiences from domestic and international decentralised digital identity initiatives to explore what is needed to align national environments and bridge sectoral and jurisdictional divides, as well as the types of international coordination and cooperative policy responses required from governments to make this happen.

**Speakers:**

*Carlos Santiso* - Head, Open and Innovative Government Division, Public Governance Directorate, OECD (Moderator)

*Erik Zvaigzne* - Vice President, Product Innovation, ConvergenceTech

*Helen Koepman* - Head of Digital Innovation & Blockchain, DG CNECT, European Commission

*Irene Hernandez* - CEO and Founder, GATACA

*Teemu Kääriäinen* - Senior Advisor, Ministry of Finance, Public Sector ICT Department, Finland

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**15:15-15:45 Break**

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**15:45-17:00 Panel – Privacy vs immutability: Safeguarding digital rights**

Room CC1

Blockchain's ability to meet national and supranational privacy rules is one of its most pressing regulatory questions, and will shape its adoption and application going forward. Decentralisation and data immutability raise issues in both public and private networks, where individual information may be captured and stored in a way counter to existing privacy policy fundamentals and regulatory models that are often entity-based. At the same time, there may be opportunities to leverage this technology to *enhance* privacy – if legal frameworks allow. This panel will articulate some of these core challenges and illustrate how they might be addressed from both a policy perspective and industry practice.

**Speakers:**

*Francesco Bruschi* - Director, Blockchain Observatory, Politecnico di Milano (Moderator)

*Heather Dahl* - CEO, Indicio

*Philippe Thévoz* - eGovernment Systems Vice-President, SICPA

*Shin'ichiro Matsuo* - Research Professor of Computer Science, Georgetown University

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**17:00 End of first day**

10:00-10:30 Registration and networking breakfast – Day 2

10:30-12:30 Parallel policy roundtables – Morning

10:30-12:30 **Sustainability on the chain: Harnessing emerging tech to finance the climate transition**

Room CC2

The need to transition to net-zero economies is urgent, and countries must use every tool they have to deliver on climate goals – including emerging technologies. Though nascent, innovations already exist supporting new blockchain-enabled marketplaces and architectures in core elements of the transition, from certifying carbon credits to reporting on sustainable finance outcomes, to enabling decentralised markets for renewable energy. This session considers recent developments, whether these application can scale fast enough, and what governments can do to help get there.

**Speakers:**

*Iota Nassr, Economist & Policy Analyst, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD (Moderator)*

*Katherine Foster - Executive Director, Sustainable Green Finance*

*Alastair Marke - Director-General, Blockchain & Climate Institute*

*Ben Yablon - Founder, SolarNova*

*Pauline Henriot - Energy Analyst, Energy Efficiency Division, International Energy Agency, IEA*

*Mark Radka, Chief, Energy and Climate Branch, United Nations Environment Programme*

*Claudia Guagliano, Head of Innovation Products and Technology Unit, European Markets and Securities Authority*

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**10:30-12:30 Blockchain start-ups and new trends: the path toward innovation and entrepreneurship in web3**

Room CC9

In many industries, start-ups are the players that best intercept the innovation drivers of the market, and blockchain is no exception. Start-ups play a key role in the development of business ecosystems, proposing new technological platforms, new applications and innovative business models. This discussion will focus on the main directions of innovation in the Blockchain and web3 space, outlining how start-ups position themselves with respect to market trends. During this session the Blockchain Observatory of Politecnico di Milano will present the results of its research on blockchain start-ups discussing how they operate.

**Speakers:**

*Valeria Portale*, Director, Blockchain Observatory, Politecnico di Milano (Moderator)

*Lucia Cusmano*, Head SME and Entrepreneurship Transformation, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD

*Jacopo Fracassi*, Senior Researcher, Blockchain Observatory, Politecnico di Milano

*Giacomo Vella*, Senior Researcher, Blockchain Observatory Politecnico di Milano

Daide Ghezzi, Blockchain Observatory Politecnico di Milano

Jérémy Beaufile, Unstoppable Domains

Victor Busson, Taurus Group

Stéphanie Cabossioras, Binance France

Gianluigi Guida, Binance Italy

Emanuel Agnelli, Armilis

Daide Salviani, BKN301

Benedetta Garavaglia, Fleap

Alessandro Brigato, Folks Finance

Chris Cameron, GFX Labs

Edoardo Degli Innocenti, Young Platform

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**12:30-14:00 Lunch break**

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**14:00-16:00 Parallel policy roundtables – Afternoon**

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**14:00-16:00 Priorities for Global Financial Governance in the digital age**

Room CC2

Crypto-assets, stablecoins and prospective central bank digital currencies are reshaping the interconnectedness of financial markets in ways that could have profound impacts on the ability for policymakers to deliver on key mandates, and which may ultimately erode the efficacy of current systems of cooperation and coordination. At the same time, these shifts could be harnessed to address some of the shortcomings in international finance. This roundtable convenes key institutions and stakeholders to build on the high-level dialogue on the Forum's first day, to consider the positive and negative pressures facing current global governance structures in a time of rapid digital transformation, in order to identify priorities and articulate responsibilities as the international system adapts.

**Speakers:**

*Robert Patalano*, Head of Financial Markets Division, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD (Moderator)

*Leonardo Gambacorta* - Head of Innovation and Digital Economy, Bank for International Settlements (Lead discussant)

*Adeline Bachellerie* - Head of Digital Currency and Innovation, Banque de France

*Paolo Ardoio* – Chief Technology Officer, Tether

*Scott Bauguess* - Vice President, Global Regulatory Policy, Coinbase

*Masaki Bessho* - Head, Fintech Centre, Bank of Japan

*Simon Chantry* - Chief Operating Officer, Bitt Inc

*Tom Neylan* - Head of Risk & Policy, Financial Action Task Force

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14:00-16:00 **Building blocks for a web3 world: Integrity, trust and responsibility**

Room CC9

Web3 applications are set to transform how citizens experience social and economic life online, with new forms of goods and services, new models of social and economic organisation, and new levels of portability between platforms. It's too early to know the full scale of changes, but investment and innovation are growing rapidly, with Bloomberg predicting "metaverse" technologies –the experiential element of web3 – will be a USD \$800 billion market by 2024. Blockchain technology is widely expected to play a central role in underpinning web3's more decentralised digital economy, and this session will take stock of the early ramifications for policy implementation and market governance.

**Speakers:**

*Oliver Garrett-Jones*, Head of Blockchain Policy, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD (Moderator)

*Valérie Fasquelle* - Deputy General Director for Information Systems, Banque de France

*David Shrier* - Professor of Practice, Imperial College Business School, Imperial College London

*Ed Bowles* - Global Director of Public Policy, Meta Financial Technologies

*Milly Perry* - Blockchain Excellence Center Chair, Israeli Chamber of Information Technology and Founder, DAO4DAOs (remote)

*David Treat* - Senior Managing Director, Metaverse Business and Tech Innovation Incubation Group, Accenture

*Rehana Schwinniger-Ladak* - Head of Interactive Technologies, Digital for Culture and Education, DG CNCT, European Commission (remote)

*Céline Moille* - Senior Manager, Droit des affaires, Blockchain, LegalTech, Deloitte Société d'Avocats

*Akira Nozaki* - Director, Digital Agency of Japan (remote)

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**End of Forum**