# Blockchain Technology for Transparency and Governance

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# What is Blockchain?

# Here's Why Blockchains Will Change the World



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The Impact of the Blockchain Goes **Beyond Financial Services** 

by Don Tapscott and Alex Tapscott

Posted May 11, 2016 by William Mougayar

#### **CIO JOURNAL**

# Why Blockchains Could Transform How the Economy Works

GULF NEWS Is Blockchain the Most Important IT Invention of Our Age?

By The Guardian

Skype Co-Founder Explores Blockchain's Role In Achieving Global Cooperation

The Blockchain is the new Google

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**Dubai launches Blockchain strategy to** become paperless by

# Blockchain by the numbers

# 2008: Technology started with bitcoin



90+ organizations

## 80%

of Banks will initiate blockchain projects by 2017

(Source: WEF)

Source: World Economic Forum, August 2016

### 90+ Central Banks

involved in blockchain discussions worldwide (source WEF)

# 2500+ patents filed in last 3 years

Some Governments already investing in Blockchain: UK, USA, Estonia, Russia, Georgia, Sweden, Netherlands, UAE, Ghana, South Korea, Singapore

# So What is Blockchain?

Blockchain is a secure, shared, distributed ledger

### Secure & Anonymized

Uses cryptography to create transactions that are impervious to fraud

### Shared & Open

Blockchain value is directly linked to the number of organizations or companies that participate in them.

### **Distributed & Immutable**

There are many replicas of the blockchain database.

### **Ledger** The data append an immu

The database is append only so it is an immutable record of every transaction that occurs.

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# What is Blockchain Used for?



# Decentralization has great benefits & changes fundamental processes & models



### Simplify Operations

Allows industries to redefine or create new business models.

### **Reduces Fraud**

Highly secure and transparent, making it nearly impossible to change historical records.

### **Increases Efficiency and Speed**

Simplifies transactions and enables T+Zero settlement time.

### **Reduces Risk and Improves Trust**

Challenges the need to trust counterparties to fulfill obligations as agreements are codified and executed in a shared immutable network.

**Regulatory Efficiency** Enables real-time monitoring of financial activity between regulators and regulated entities.

# Popular scenarios where Blockchain adds value

#### **Financial**

Trading **Deal origination** POs for new securities Equities Fixed income Derivatives trading Total Return Swaps (TRS) Second-generation derivatives The race to a zero middle office Collateral management Settlements Payments Transferring of value Know your client (KYC) Anti money laundering **Crowd Funding** Peer-to-peer lending Compliance reporting Trade reporting & risk visualizations Betting & prediction markets

#### Insurance

Claim filings MBS/Property payments Claims processing & admin Fraud detection/prediction Telematics & ratings Digital authentication Asset management Automated underwriting Self-administered insurance

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#### Media

Digital rights management Game monetization Art authentication Purchase & usage monitoring Ticket purchases Fan tracking Ad click fraud reduction Resell of authentic assets Real time auction & ad placements

#### **Computer Science**

Micronization of work (pay for algorithms, tweets, ad clicks, etc.) Expanse of marketplace Disbursement of work Direct to developer payments API platform plays Notarization & certification P2P storage & compute sharing DNS

#### Medical

Records sharing Prescription sharing Compliance Personalized medicine DNA sequencing

#### **Asset Titles**

Diamonds Designer brands Car leasing & sales Home Mortgages & payments Land title ownership Digital asset records

#### Government

Voting Vehicle registration WIC, Vet, SS, benefits, distribution Licensing & identification Copyrights

#### Identity

Personal Objects Families of objects Digital assets Multifactor Authentication Refugee tracking Education & badging Purchase & review tracking Employer & Employee reviews

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Device to Device payments Device directories Operations (e.g. water flow) Grid monitoring Smart home & office management Cross-company maintenance markets

#### **Payments**

Micropayments (apps, 402) Business-to-Business international remittance Tax filing & collection Rethinking wallets & banks

#### Consumer

Digital rewards Uber, AirBNB, Apple Pay P2P selling, craigslist Cross company, brand, loyalty tracking

#### **Supply Chain**

Dynamic ag commodities pricing Real time auction for supply delivery Pharmaceutical tracking & purity Agricultural food authentication Shipping & logistics management

# When is blockchain relevant?

Answering a few questions can determine if blockchain

is appropriate

*Is this a business process that crosses trust boundaries?* 

*Do multiple parties manipulate the same data?*  *Are there any intermediaries that control the single source of the truth?*  Does the process involve low-value, manual verification steps?



# Blockchain for Transparency and Accountability

Problems:

- Tax evasion
- Invoice multiplicity

### Solution:

- Triple Entry Accounting on the blockchain
- Single version of the truth for invoicing
- Remove transactional role of auditing
- Enable real time auditing

Challenges:

- Regulation
- Technology Complexity
- Mass adoption

Example: Singapore fighting invoice fraud of traders with banks



# Who is using blockchain?



# Singapore – Project Ubin



- Strategic industry wide project to explore the Use of blockchain to decentralize inter-bank payment and settlements with liquidity savings mechanisms
- The three software models developed are amongst the first in the world to implement decentralised netting of payments in a manner that preserves transactional privacy
- Phase 1 Build a domestic digital currency
- Phase 2 Deploy an interbank payments solution



**11 financial institutions** 



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