

Cyprus Blockchain Technologies

The Cyprus Blockchain Technologies (CBT) Ltd. is a private, not-for-profit, autonomous ThinkTank (hereinafter The ThinkTank) which was founded to unite Cyprus' community of blockchain stakeholders from all industries and sectors, and irrespective of size and power to influence, such as academic, financial, auditing, management, consulting, technology, as well as associations, companies and individuals with similar interests.

The ThinkTank, is the first of its kind established in Cyprus, aiming at promoting collaboration amongst and cooperation with all interested parties, such as industry leaders, business owners, investors, developers, adopters, entrepreneurs, consumers, regulators and the government. Through this collaboration the ThinkTank aims at driving awareness, sharing knowledge and experience, identifying opportunities and advancing, not only Distributed Ledger Technologies (DLTs) and Blockchains but also other emerging technologies through campaigns, networking, content, discussions, actions, and other creative strategies, with the view of co-creating and bringing about a more trusted, secure, transparent, inclusive, equitable, highly competitive digitally transformed marketplace and a state of art ecosystem.

Cyprus Blockchain Technologies began its operations early 2017 with its first founding members being UCL Centre for Blockchain Technologies, the Cyprus International Institute of Management (CIIM), Bank of Cyprus and Hellenic Bank. Most recently the Think-and-Do Tank merged with the Cyprus Blockchain Association and became the biggest think tank in Cyprus.

Vision and Mission

The vision of Cyprus Blockchain Technologies, is to increase awareness and drive societal change for the betterment of humanity through innovative emerging technologies, with special focus on Distributed Ledger Technologies and Blockchain. and establish Cyprus on the global map as a premier, technology hub. the mission of the centre is to support and accelerate the real-life application of Blockchain in use-cases that will help both, the private and public sectors of Cyprus, its government, and citizens reap the benefits of, transform and thrive using these growing emerging technologies.

CBT's Objectives

The strategic goals and objectives of the ThinkTank are:

- To increase awareness and drive societal collaboration on emerging technologies, with focus on Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technologies (DLTs) for the betterment of our society.
- To stay informed with and enable access to the latest developments, research and news on emerging technologies with focus on evidence-based Distributed Ledger technologies, Decentralization and Blockchains.
- To stay informed on the latest global legal and regulatory developments on and around emerging technologies with focus on Distributed Ledger Technologies, Decentralization and Blockchains and promote the need for and respond to consultations on the transposition, propose and enactment of legal and regulatory frameworks concerning emerging technologies.
- To support, contribute and promote globally recognized sovereign and international standards-setting bodies and industry body best practices and standards that have been and currently are actively pursuing standardization efforts on blockchain and other emerging technologies, such as, but not limited to the ISO, ITU-T, INATBA, CEN, CENELEC, ETSI, to further develop and progress technology-related standards.support the real-life application of Blockchain and other transformative technologies in use-cases that will help both, the private and public sectors of Cyprus, its government, and citizens reap their benefits, transform and thrive.
- To organize educational seminars, training courses, workshops, events and conferences in the areas of emerging technologies with focus on Distributed Ledger Technologies, Decentralization and Blockchains.
- To assist in driving the governmental approach and policy-making regarding Distributed Ledger Technologies and Blockchain.
- To become the leading think-tank in Cyprus in terms of disruptive technologies.
- To provide expert advice through its expert-members.

The center is organized in subcommittees, currently looking into two verticals:

- **Applied Blockchain Applications for the Government and Industry:** This vertical is leading with (but not limited to) the application of Blockchain in the banking industry.
- **Legal and regulatory aspects and standardization:** This vertical deals with the legal and regulatory aspects of this new technology including the application and interpretation of the law and the introduction of new laws and regulation as well as international standards.
- **Other Emerging Technologies:** This vertical examines the intersection of Blockchain technology with other emerging technologies such as AI.

CBT's Future Direction

Emerging Technologies are expected to have a very big impact on many aspects of the society such as economy, political and societal. Blockchain technologies, when converged with other technologies such as AI, IoT, or cloud, are expected to drive the next wave of the digital transformation by enabling new business models to materialize such as autonomous agents (sensors, machines, cameras, and other IoT devices) acting as own profit centers that with digital twins leveraging IoT, or enabling machine to machine transactions. Therefore, CBT, except for the Blockchain applications, aims to focus in the future on such interactions for more dynamic applications with a greater impact on society. The centre will act as a think-tank for key players to be informed about emerging technologies and get expert advice through its members.

Strategic Activities

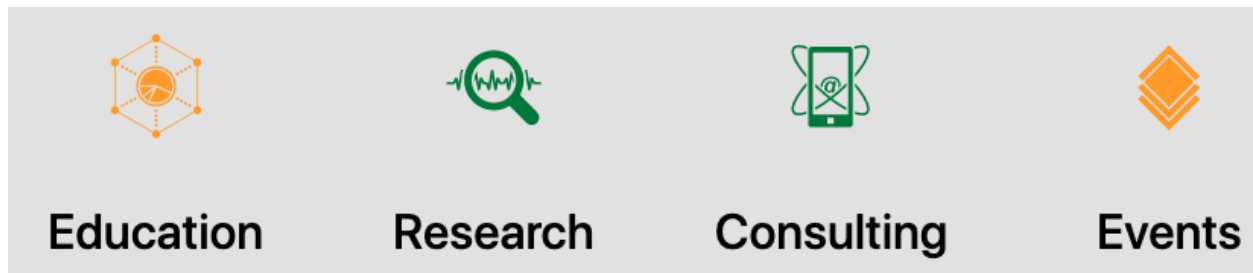
For the next years we plan to focus on the following:

- To be established as the most elite technology strategy think-tank in Cyprus
- To organize and deliver executive seminars on the subjects matters of Blockchain technology and other emerging technologies
- To organize open/public seminars for technology awareness
- To influence the National Strategy of the Cyprus government regarding technological innovations with strong focus on Blockchain technology
- To be part of the parallel parliament of the government regarding emerging technologies
- To apply for EU and National Funds on designing and developing innovative blockchain based applications
- To publish once a year a Technology Review magazine where several prominent players of the space can publish whitepapers and opinion articles on new technologies



The Think-Tank For Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Applications in Cyprus

What We Offer



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