

Special Issue

Blockchain Applications in Finance

Message from the Guest Editors

The blockchain technology was initially introduced as a new suggestion for an alternative payment system and has gradually advanced as the most profound disruptor of traditional financial services. Beyond the hype of crypto market capitalization, blockchain applications in finance have the potential to add true value in the way financial services are offered. This Special Issue is devoted to exploring the disruptions that the blockchain technology and its applications bring to a wide range of financial services. We aim to publish manuscripts that explore the areas of the crypto market ecosystem, such as payments/transactions, fundraising, decentralized finance (DeFi) applications, as well as papers that seek to explore the application of technology in traditional financial services, such as in the area of asset tokenization. The aim of the Special Issue is to shed some light on the benefits that the blockchain technology will bring to finance in our effort to better understand the potential of this technology in terms of its application to finance and financial services.

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