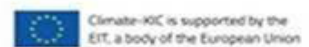


**Blockchain and citizen-centric finance webinar**  
***A European Recovery and Resilience Pilot: Blockchain and European Public Funds***  
**Tuesday October 27<sup>th</sup> – 15:00 to 17:00 CET**

Hosted by



**Introduction from Webinar Facilitator:**  
**Stuart Hutton (EPE, Simply Ethical)**

**Session 1:**

**Digitalization must democratise the governance of finance to democratise finance itself**

- Simon Zadek, UN Task Force on Digital Financing of the SDGs

**Session 2**

**The EU Pilot Blockchain and the European Recovery & Resilience Plan and the Green Deal**

- Raymond Van Ermen, EPE
- Nadia Filali, Caisse des Dépôts, France.
- Blake Goud, RFI Foundation

**Comments on the pilot - Panel**

- Simon Zadek, UN Secretary General's Task Force on Digital Financing and the SDGs,
- Pierre Marro European Commission (DG Connect)

**Conclusion:**

**Ms Dasa Silovic, EPE President**

**Session 1: “Digitalization must democratise the governance of finance to democratise finance itself” .<sup>1</sup> 40 minutes**

**Simon Zadek**, Sherpa to the Co-Chair’s, the UN Secretary General's Task Force on Digital Financing of the SDGs

*Findings from the Task Force report relating to how digitalization can be used to help restore control over the financial sector.*



Q & A.

**Session 2. The EU Pilot Blockchain and the European Recovery & Resilience Plan and the Green Deal**

We are at a pivotal moment in human history where we need more than ever to restore confidence, increase efficiency, measure our impact and reorient our economy and financial system to better reflect our values. Digital tools like blockchain offers the possibility - thanks to its ability to be a decentralized empowerment tool – to ensure the well-being of all and a "safe operational space for humanity", a feat that we have failed to accomplish in the past 40 years.

In order to realize this potential, we need to create an ecosystem of blockchain applications as well as situation room or observatory to find linkages that can more effectively contribute to the green and to the digital transitions. This is why we believe the time is now for European Member States **Recovery and Resilience Plan** to include a ‘multi-stakeholders

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres

open coordination' related to the use of public funds, and are building a coalition of stakeholders to demonstrate how it can work in practice.

**We are inviting you to join CDIT-EF which stands for *connecting data related to public funds to incentivize trust in relation with Europe's public funds* (CDIT-EF).<sup>2</sup>**

This webinar provides an update ahead of the publication of a report and a think tank event that will be held at the end of January 2021. CDIT-EF will be presented to webinar participants by the Consortium organizing this webinar represented by:

- **Raymond Van Ermen, EPE**
- **Nadia Filali, Caisse des Dépôts, France.**

CDIT-EF is a platform with the objective of creating open coordination. Because of the relevance of the platform to private financial institutions who play an important intermediation role in the mobilization and use of some of the public funds.

As an example of how blockchain can improve the traceability of funds' ultimate uses for comparison with initial sustainability objectives (Green Deal or otherwise), it can demonstrate relevance for non European players as well as including financial institutions operating on an explicitly ethical and responsible basis including Islamic finance.

- **Blake Goud, RFI Foundation.**

The webinar will welcome comments on the pilot from (all to be confirmed):

- **UN Secretary General's Task Force on Digital Financing and the SDGs, Simon Zadek,**
- **European Commission (DG Connect) : Pierre Marro**

Q & A

Conclusions : **Ms Dasa Silovic, EPE President.**

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<sup>2</sup> CDIT-EF is pronounced 'seed it – ee ef'