



Using Blockchain Technology to Support Climate Action and Paris Agreement Implementation **The Climate Ledger Initiative**

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Blockchain Technology and the World Economy

2015



42 Financial Intermediates start bc based collaboration

2016



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2017

«By 2027 about 10% of World GDP will be stored on blockchains»



Blockchain Technology and the World's Challenges

2015



The **WFP** is the first UN agency to experiment with bc technology. The agency is using bc to distribute humanitarian aid to those in need. Iin 2017 a secound bc project is launched to support Syrian refugees. 2016



Working Paper 2016-1

How Can Cryptocurrency and Blockchain Technology Play a Role in Building Social and Solidarity Finance? 2017



"UNICEF is funding blockchain projects to solve the worlds biggest problems"



Blockchain Technology – What is it?



- A new kind of **decentralized database**;
- Data is not stored centralized but **distributed** over many participating computers;
- In principle, all transactions in the network are **transparent** for its participants;
- All participants continuously **monitor** and record transactions and **check** database records for coherence;
- This process is automatized through a network protocol (clients) similiar to HTTP.



Blockchain Technology and its Potential for Climate Action



- 1. Raise ambition for climate mitigation, adaptation & finance
- 2. Accelerate Paris implementation with specific climate action in line with UNFCCC/IPCC
- 3. Streamline processes, increase transparency & improve stakeholder integration
- 4. Convene innovators, facilitate knowledge sharing & engage new as well as existing actors
- 5. Promote blockchain-based climate innovation & mobilise talent for high-impact climate action 5



Blockchain Technology – What are its potential benefits?

- Operating in a blockchain network fosters cooperation and collaboration
- Blockchains are created by miners/validators, by adding new blocks (transparent audit trails)
- The technology is decentralized, fostering enhanced safety and reliability for network participants
- Blockchains offer **enhanced data security** (all processes/new records are checked)
- Blockchains may contain entire programs ("smart contracts")



Climate Ledger Initiative (CLI)

Mission: to accelerate the momentum for climate action under the Paris Agreement by fostering the use of the emerging blockchain technology.

Climate Ledger Initiative's activities focus on three parallel tracks:

- Research track
- Innovation use cases
- Innovation call-outs

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Thank you.

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