Bitcoin & Open Blockchains

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Bitcoin and blockchain are touted as potentially revolutionizing the world of finance. This session will sort through the noise, providing a clear explanation of the concepts, and how they might impact your office and its functions.

Slides for this course can be found at: --

UNDERSTANDING AND USING THE TECHNOLOGY

Bitcoin Whitepaper

In order to understand blockchains, read the original bitcoin whitepaper; published in 2008. It outlines the foundation and purpose of using a blockchain.
https://bitcoin.org/bitcoin.pdf

Information for Policymakers

Coincenter.org is a non-profit research and advocacy center focused on public policy issues facing cryptocurrency and decentralized computing technologies like bitcoin and ethereum. See "new to blockchains" for a technology primer.
https://coincenter.org/

Bitcoin Resource Guide by Jameson Lopp: https://lopp.net/bitcoin.html

Block Explorers

Block explorers are software tools that allow anyone to interrogate an open public blockchain's history.
- Blockstream: https://blockstream.info/
- Blockcypher: https://live.blockcypher.com/
- Etherscan: https://etherscan.io/

CASE STUDIES

OhioCrypto: Ohio now accepts bitcoin for business tax payments
FAQ: https://ohiocrypto.com/faq
Ohio Crypto uses https://bitpay.com/ for merchant services

GiveTrack: GiveTrack uses the transparency of the bitcoin network to track charitable donations from the point of gift through the point of use. https://www.givetrack.org/