

Expert discussion
“To Be or Not to Be – The Future of the Virtual Assets Market in Ukraine”

Date: October 29, 2025

Location: Ukrainian Crisis Media Center, Kyiv

Online participation:

for international speakers and participants via [ZOOM platform](#)

Language: Ukrainian, simultaneous translation into English ensured

AGENDA

Moderator – Maria Poloz, Lawyer at the Centre for Democracy and Rule of Law (CEDEM)

10:30- 11:00	Registration of participants. Welcoming coffee Joining the Zoom platform.
11:00 - 11:20	Opening Remarks: Olha Vasylevska-Smahliuk , Member of Parliament of Ukraine, Deputy Chair of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Finance, Tax and Customs Policy, Chair of the Subcommittee on the Functioning of Payment and Information Systems and on Preventing Money Laundering of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Finance, Tax and Customs Policy Matteo De Simone , Policy Officer, DG ENEST, European Commission Taras Shevchenko , Development Director of CEDEM Oksana Ihnatenko , Managing Director of the Centre for Financial Integrity (CFI)
11:20 - 13:00	3rd edition: The Vision of the Virtual Assets Market in Ukraine – Is There Hope for Its Launch? Speakers (7-10 minutes each): Olha Vasylevska-Smahliuk , Member of Parliament of Ukraine, Deputy Chair of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Finance, Tax and Customs Policy, Chair of the Subcommittee on the Functioning of Payment and Information Systems and on Preventing Money Laundering of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Finance, Tax and Customs Policy. Yaroslav Zhelezniak , Member of Parliament of Ukraine, First Deputy Chair of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Finance, Tax and Customs Policy (TBC) Serhii Rybchenko , Programme Manager, Council of Europe

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	Dmytro Nikolaievskiy, chief legal officer at the Project Office of the Ministry of Digital Transformation. Vita Forsiuk, PhD (Law), expert in taxation Moderator – Maria Poloz, Lawyer at CEDEM Intervention / Q&A Session
13:00-13:20	Pause
13:20 - 14:40	User view: An Effective Crypto Market Through the Eyes of the Private and Public Sectors Speakers: Oksana Ihnatenko, Managing Director of CFI Viacheslav Bykov, Executive Director, Charitable Foundation Tabletochki Petro Bilyk, Partner, Technology and Investment Practice, Juscutum Vladyslav Tsvirkun, UMDS expert, Vice President for Law Enforcement and Institutional Relations at Global Ledger. Moderator – Nataliia Povtar, Lawyer at CEDEM Intervention / Q&A Session
14:40 - 15:00	Closing of the Event, Coffee

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