Web3: What don't we know about it yet?

Friday, Feb 10th, 2023

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Description:

The Berkman-Klein Center at the Harvard Law School and the Mosavvar-Rahmani Center for Business and Government at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government are hosting a one-day workshop to have in-depth conversations and workshops about Web 3.0 technologies, digital assets and their implications on the global society and economy.

Decentralized web3 technologies and digital assets based on blockchain have the potential to change society and the global economy in particular. This workshop aims to explore the challenges and opportunities that Web3 ecosystems and digital assets (such as cryptocurrencies, DeFi, NFTs) pose to society and the global economy, including financial activities, digital identity, privacy, monetization of personal data by individuals, and more.

We will explore what the next generation of blockchain-based technologies may look like and which values it should embrace, which concerns and challenges society faces and what is the role of regulators and developers in promoting it.

Agenda

9:30-10:00   **Registration and Welcoming**

10:00-10:15   **Opening Remarks**
Presented by **John Haigh**, M-RCBG & **Sue Hendrickson**, BKC

10:15-11:00   **Hit Us With Your Best Shot – where could blockchain and Web3 technology really make a difference?**
Presentations by Harvard Student Organizations;
Moderated by **Professor Jonathan Zittrain**

- Harvard Kennedy School DeFi Club - Thomas Cowan
  - Stablecoin and DeFi
- Harvard Law School Blockchain & FinTech - Cindy Kunag
  - The potential and limitations of NFTs as digital assets
- Harvard Business School Technology Club - Stephen Xi
  - Blockchain-based gaming
- Harvard Blockchain Club - Anne Brandes & Cheikh Fiteni
  - Misconceptions about the Blockchain

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11:00-12:00   **Challenges, opportunities, skepticism on Web3:**
Moderated Conversation between **Dr. Shlomit Wagman** and **Molly White**,
Followed by Open Discussion

12:00–13:00   **Lunch and Food for Thought:**
How are governments getting ready for digital assets? Overview with global regulators
Presented and moderated by **Howell Jackson**, including:
- <u>EU</u>: **Katja Langenbucher** (virtually)
- <u>Singapore</u>: **Ryan Chan-Wei**, Singapore Central Bank (virtually)
- <u>US</u>: **Tim Massad**, the Digital Assets Policy Project, M-RCBG, HKS

13:00-13:15   **Break**

13:15-14:15   **Privacy and digital identity in Web3 ecosystem:**
challenges and opportunities
Moderated by **Sue Hendrickson**, including:
- Professor **Alex 'Sandy' Pentland**, Founder and Director, MIT Connection Science
- **Neha Narula**, Director of the Digital Currency Initiative, MIT
- **John Fiske**, M-RCBG & Director of Data Protection, Meta
- **Dr. Shlomit Azgad-Tromer**, CEO and Founder, Sealance Corp.

14:15-15:00   **Conclusion and Next Steps for the Future**