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PROGRAM ON  
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## Virtual Policy Development Seminar on the Regulation of Crypto-Asset Market Structure

Wednesday, March 8, 2023  
Via Zoom

### PROGRAM AGENDA:

9:00am (ET)<sup>1</sup>  
3:00pm (AT)

#### Opening Remarks

- [Jonathan Ondrejko](#) (Senior Vice President at the Program on International Financial Systems)

9:00am-10:30am (ET)  
3:00pm-4:30pm (AT)

#### Lecture on Policy Issues in the Regulation of Crypto-Asset Trading Platforms

- [Douglas Arner](#) (Kerry Holdings Professor in Law at the University of Hong Kong)

10:30am-11:30am (ET)  
4:30pm-5:30pm (AT)

#### Panel Discussion: Crypto-Asset Trading Market Structure – Market Perspectives

- [Connor Kortje](#) (Senior Research Fellow at the Committee on Capital Markets Regulation)
- [Jonathan Jachym](#) (Global Head of Policy at Kraken Digital Asset Exchange)
- [Vignesh Iyer](#) (Product Strategy Lead in Digital Assets and Blockchain Technology, Bloomberg)

Moderated by [Stefan Gavell](#) (Vice Chair of Executive Education at the Program on International Financial Systems)

11:30am (ET)  
5:30pm (AT)

#### Closing Remarks

<sup>1</sup> Program Times: This agenda reflects times in Eastern Time (ET, or GMT-5) and Abuja Time (AT, or GMT+1).

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### **Douglas Arner**

*Kerry Holdings Professor in Law at the University of Hong Kong*

Douglas W. Arner is the Kerry Holdings Professor in Law, an RGC Senior Fellow, and Associate Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Hong Kong. At HKU, he co-founded and is the Faculty Director of the LLM Compliance and Regulation, LLM Corporate and Financial Law, LITE (Law, Innovation, Technology and Entrepreneurship), and EAIEL (East Asian International Economic Law and Policy) Programmes. Douglas specialises in economic and financial law, regulation and development. Douglas has been a visiting professor or fellow at Duke University, Harvard University, the Hong Kong Institute for Monetary Research, IDC Herzliya, McGill University, Melbourne University, National University of Singapore, Queen Mary University of London, University of New South Wales, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, and Zurich University, among others.

He holds a BA from Drury College (where he studied literature, economics and political science), a JD (cum lauded) from Southern Methodist University, an LLM (with distinction) in banking and finance law from the University of London (Queen Mary College), and PhD from the University of London.

### **Connor Kortje**

*Senior Research Fellow at the Committee on Capital Markets Regulation*

Connor Kortje joined the Committee on Capital Markets Regulation as a senior research fellow in October 2021. Before joining the Committee, Connor practiced tax law at Ropes & Gray in Boston, where he advised asset managers, financial institutions, and operating companies on domestic and international tax matters. Connor holds a J.D. from Harvard Law School (2015) and a B.A. from the University of Toronto (2010).



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## **Jonathan Jachym**

*Global Head of Policy at Kraken Digital Asset Exchange*

Jonathan Jachym is the Global Head of Policy at Kraken Digital Asset Exchange. Before joining Kraken, Jonathan was the Head of Government

Relations and Regulatory Strategy for North America and U.S. Country Head for the London Stock Exchange Group. Previously, Jachym held several roles at CME Group in the U.S. and Europe, including Executive Director, Government Relations, EMEA. Prior to CME Group, he served as Legal and Regulatory Counsel at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Jachym holds degrees in finance from North Carolina State University and law from the Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law.

## **Vignesh Iyer**

*Product Strategy Lead in Digital Assets and Blockchain Technology, Bloomberg*

Vignesh Iyer has been involved on the enterprise data team of Bloomberg LP. Vignesh has been responsible for mapping the onchain data initiatives for fundamental analysis for institutions foray into crypto assets. Additionally, Vignesh has been responsible on the technology front on adoption of DLT and blockchain technology for Bloomberg offerings. Vignesh is an engineer and comes from a background of developing web 3.0 based solutions.

## **Stefan Gavell**

*Vice Chair of Executive Education at the Program on International Financial Systems*

Stefan Gavell was previously Executive Vice President and Global Head of Regulatory, Industry and Government Affairs for State Street Corporation with responsibility for global regulatory, industry and government relations. In this position, he was responsible for representing State Street with regulators, legislators and other policymakers worldwide.

Mr. Gavell has supported and been actively involved in the Program on International Financial Systems as a speaker and moderator for more than 10 years.

Representing State Street, and in conjunction with leading industry associations, Mr. Gavell successfully advocated on legislative and regulatory issues, in the US, Europe, and Asia, on banking, securities and asset



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management matters. Mr. Gavell has deep experience in financial markets, market regulation and governance as a result of his close to 40-year career

and held numerous positions at State Street, including as Treasurer, acting CFO, and Head of International Global Markets, and held expatriate assignments in Hong Kong, Japan, the UK and France. He previously held positions as President of State Street International Holdings, and on the Board of State Street Global Markets, LLC. He served on served on numerous governance committees including management, financial policy, asset and liability, compliance and conduct, and numerous banks, investment management, and securities subsidiary boards. He joined State Street in 1990 as General Manager in Japan.

Mr. Gavell is a member of numerous professional bodies, including long tenure as President of the American Bankers Association Securities Association. He currently serves on the board of the Global Financial Markets Association and is a frequent speaker on banking and financial markets topics at conferences and seminars.

Stefan received his B.A. in Economics and Government from Oberlin College and his M.B.A. from Columbia University.



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