

BUILDING A NEW ACADEMIC FIELD

of cryptocurrency and blockchain technology

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PROBLEMS

NO ACADEMIC LEGITIMACY



LACK OF CLARITY



UNSOLVED CHALLENGES IN
DEPLOYED SYSTEMS



Academic institutions don't see cryptocurrency as a **legitimate** academic field.



Researchers don't agree on "what is a fact?" or "what are the open questions?"



Companies don't have enough **rigorous research** to deploy systems for long-term impact.

Cryptocurrency is not yet an academic field

Computer Science

Established: 1953

300+ universities offer degrees

160+ academic conferences

190+ journals

Cryptocurrency

Established: 2009? 2019?

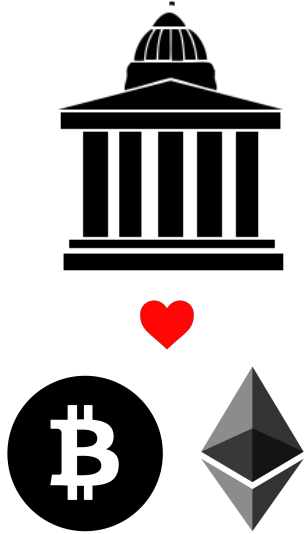
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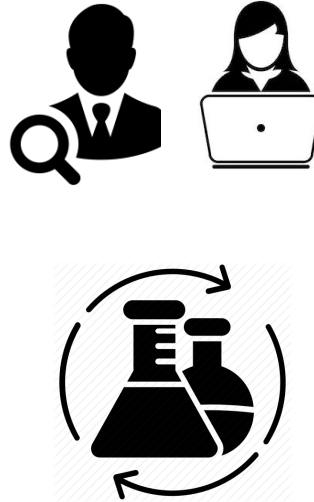
SOLUTION: Build a new academic field of blockchain and cryptocurrency technology.

ACADEMIC LEGITIMACY



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CLARITY + RIGOR



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SOLVED CHALLENGES IN
DEPLOYED SYSTEMS



Companies build on **rigorous research** to deploy systems for long-term impact.

SPECIFICS: New Events + Journal

- October 2019: **Field Building Summit** with 400 world-class researchers and practitioners
- March 2020: **Peer-reviewed conference** and **journal**

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A photograph of the MIT Media Lab Field Building at night. The building is a modern, multi-story structure with a prominent glass facade that reveals the interior office spaces, which are brightly lit. The building has a curved, cylindrical section on the right side. The sky is a deep blue, and the surrounding area is dark, with some other buildings visible in the background.

Cryptoeconomic Systems

Field Building Summit

October 5-6 2019, MIT Media Lab

#CryptoResearch: Field Building Summit

- **2 full days** at the MIT Media Lab and livestreamed around the world
- **400 researchers** across three tracks: mainstage, side stage, and workshops
- Explicitly interdisciplinary, with **experts** from computer science, economics, law
- **World-class speakers** from top universities and top blockchain companies.
(Our editors-in-chief and advisory board are from **MIT, Stanford, IC3, etc.**)
- Our team has a wealth of event organizing experience:



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- **Access to talent:** Many participants will be strong developers or expert researchers in computer science, economics, and law.
- **VIP networking:** Connect with VIP speakers and sponsors from across academia and industry.
- **Event marketing:** High visibility with online and printed materials.
- **Help your community:** Build increased rigor, trust, and legitimacy in the cryptocurrency ecosystem.
- **Build a relationship with MIT and the DCI:** Begin a long-term connection with a premier cryptocurrency research center.

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Do you want to bring more **trust, legitimacy, and rigor** into cryptocurrency and blockchain technology by creating an new academic field? Would you like to get your **brand recognized by world-class researchers** and developers? Reach out!



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