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LETTER

Bitcoin slipped under the 50-day SMA around \$115,700 on Monday, but buyers managed to step in near the neckline of the inverse head-and-shoulders pattern. The immediate hurdle sits at \$118,575, and if that level breaks, BTC could make a run at \$120,000 before testing the all-time high near \$124,474. Still, the RSI is flashing a warning with a negative divergence, hinting that bullish momentum is fading. If the neckline fails to hold, BTC could drop quickly to \$110,530. That's the key level to watch because a breakdown there could trigger a sharper sell-off, dragging price toward \$105,000 and possibly \$100,000.

Ethereum also came under pressure on Monday, slipping below its support at \$4,368, showing that short-term traders are taking profits. The real test for ETH now sits at \$4,094. If the price bounces strongly from this zone, it would suggest bulls are trying to flip it into support, which could fuel another leg higher toward \$4,788 and eventually the \$5,000 mark. But if ETH fails to hold \$4,094 and closes below it, a deeper correction looks likely, with downside targets at \$3,745 and then the 50-day SMA around \$3,523.

Lastly please check out the advancement's happening in the cryptocurrency world

Enjoy the issue

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WEEKLY CRYPTOCURRENCY MARKET ANALYSIS

Hello, welcome to this week's 394th edition of Cryptonaire Weekly Magazine. The global crypto market cap is \$3.87 Trillion, Up 130 Billion since the last 15 days. The total crypto market trading volume over the last 24 hours is \$174.85 Billion which makes a 6.02% increase. The Fear & Greed index is 53% Neutral and the Altcoin season index is 44%. The largest gainers in the industry right now are Polkadot Ecosystem and XRP Ledger Ecosystem cryptocurrencies.

Bitcoin's price has increased by 0.44% from \$114,320 last week to around \$114,825 and Ether's price has increased by 16.55% from \$3625 last week to \$4225 Bitcoin's market cap is \$2.28 Trillion and the altcoin market cap is \$1.59 Trillion.

Bitcoin extended its pullback on Monday as short-term traders booked profits, with some analysts warning that if selling pressure accelerates, BTC could revisit the \$98,000–\$100,000 psychological zone. Analyst Captain Faibik called this scenario an “extreme bearish flush,” though broader sentiment still leans bullish over the coming months. Canary Capital CEO Steven McClurg told CNBC he sees better than a 50% chance of Bitcoin climbing into the \$140,000–\$150,000 range this year before a possible bear market sets in next year. Interestingly, retail traders have been far more optimistic about Bitcoin than Ether, despite ETH's strong 30-day run. Data from Santiment suggests that this split in sentiment could give Ether a slightly more bullish path in the near term, since markets often move opposite to the retail crowd's positioning.

Early Bitcoin investor Chamath Palihapitiya is also making headlines, filing to raise \$250 million through a new SPAC called “American Exceptionalism Acquisition Corp A.” The blank-check company aims to target sectors like DeFi, AI, energy, and defense, with Palihapitiya serving as chairman. The deal would list on the NYSE under the ticker AEXA, though SPACs carry significant risk, and Palihapitiya's track record in this space has been mixed, with several past ventures ending in liquidation.

On the corporate side, BitMine Immersion Technologies' big pivot into Ether has not impressed investors, with the company's stock falling 14% last week even as it became the world's largest corporate holder of ETH. Still, BitMine is doubling down, announcing plans to raise \$24.5 billion to further expand its Ether holdings, with Chairman Tom Lee pointing to strong institutional demand. This comes as ETH exchange-traded funds continue to attract massive inflows, pulling in \$2.8 billion last week alone and taking year-to-date totals above \$11 billion. That demand has fueled a 50% rally in ETH over the past month, bringing the token close to its November 2021 all-time high near \$4,870 before its latest pullback.

Meanwhile, the NFT market has taken a heavy hit during ETH's

recent dip. Sector-wide valuations dropped by more than \$1.2 billion in less than a week, sliding to \$8.1 billion from \$9.3 billion, according to NFT Price Floor data. Because most NFTs are denominated in ETH, the 9% drop in Ether prices from \$4,700 last Wednesday to around \$4,260 on Monday triggered sharp declines across top collections. Even CryptoPunks, the leading project by market cap, saw roughly \$300 million wiped out in value. The sell-off underlines how closely NFT valuations remain tied to ETH price swings, amplifying both the upside and downside of crypto market momentum.

At the same time, another corner of the crypto industry is facing regulatory heat: crypto kiosks and ATMs. Once touted as a sign of mainstream adoption, these machines are now under heavy scrutiny as regulators highlight their role in scams and illicit activity. The FBI reported nearly 11,000 fraud complaints in 2024 tied to crypto kiosks, totaling over \$246 million in losses. Some cities have banned them outright, while states like Iowa and Maine where older populations are frequent scam targets have introduced strict limits, licensing rules, and daily withdrawal caps. These new requirements are squeezing profitability for operators, raising questions about whether the crypto ATM business can survive under mounting regulatory pressure.

Percentage of Total Market Capitalization (Domnance)

BTC	57.25%
ETH	12.97%
XRP	4.40%
USDT	4.17%
BNB	2.90%
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USDC	1.70%
DOGE	0.84%
ADA	0.83%
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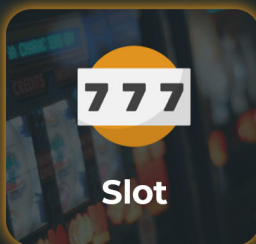
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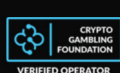
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NOWPAYMENTS DATA SHOWS STABLECOINS AT 45% IN MERCHANT CRYPTO PAYMENTS

NOWPayments, a **leading crypto payment gateway**, reports that over 45% of all processed transactions now occur in stablecoins, according to internal data. This marks a clear shift in merchant and user behavior toward lower volatility digital assets as the crypto payments landscape matures.

According to NOWPayments' year-over-year data, stablecoin usage in crypto payments has grown from just 7.13% in 2020 to 55.14% in early 2024, and reached an all-time high of 57.08% in the first half of 2025. At the same time, reliance on USDT has gradually declined from 100% in 2019 to 96.45% in 2025, showing that merchants are increasingly diversifying toward alternatives like USDC.

Among NOWPayments' merchant base, several blockchain networks stand out in terms of popularity: Tron (TRC-20) leads for its low fees and speed, especially among high-volume payout platforms such as gambling and affiliate projects. Ethereum (ERC-20) remains a strong second for B2B services and SaaS businesses, while BNB Chain and Polygon are gaining traction due to their balance of stability and cost-efficiency. For each vertical, NOWPayments offers custom solutions that help businesses route payments through the chain that best fits their operational model.

The surge in stablecoin adoption represents a fundamental change in how businesses and

consumers approach cryptocurrency transactions. Rather than viewing digital assets purely as speculative investments, users are increasingly embracing crypto as a practical medium of exchange.

"Stablecoins have become the preferred choice for both merchants and customers, and now it's up to us, service providers, to offer the optimal payment landscape", said **Kate Lifshits**, CEO of NOWPayments.

Stablecoins drive payment stability

The rise in stablecoin usage spans multiple major tokens, including USDT (Tether), USDC (USD Coin) and others. These digital assets offer a compelling value proposition by combining the speed and flexibility of cryptocurrency with the price stability of traditional fiat currencies.

For merchants operating in volatile markets, stablecoins eliminate the concern of receiving payments that could lose significant value between transaction and settlement. This predictability has made crypto payments more attractive to businesses that previously hesitated due to price volatility concerns.

The trend extends across various industries, from e-commerce platforms processing customer purchases to SaaS companies handling subscription payments. The data suggests that as stablecoins

become more widely accepted, they're bridging the gap between traditional finance and the crypto economy.

Global shift toward practical crypto usage

NOWPayments' internal data aligns with broader global trends showing increased stablecoin adoption for payments rather than trading. Businesses worldwide are seeking faster, borderless payment solutions that don't expose them to crypto price swings, making stablecoins an ideal solution.

The payment gateway's comprehensive platform supports over **300 digital assets** and 20+ stablecoins, serving thousands of merchants worldwide. This extensive cryptocurrency support ensures businesses can accept payments in their preferred tokens while offering customers maximum flexibility.

Founded in 2019, NOWPayments has positioned itself at the forefront of practical crypto adoption by offering tools that make digital asset payments accessible to mainstream businesses. The platform's features include auto conversion, fiat settlement options, and instant payouts – addressing the key concerns that previously prevented widespread crypto payment adoption.

Enhanced business tools drive adoption

The company's robust API enables seamless integration of cryptocurrency payment solutions, empowering businesses to adopt stablecoin payments with ease.

The company's suite of business tools has played a crucial role in facilitating this shift toward stablecoin payments. NOWPayments offers Custody feature with conversion capabilities that allows merchants to store, manage and swap cryptocurrencies within their accounts, as well as send mass crypto payouts. Enterprise-grade compliance and security standards ensure businesses can operate safely and in line with regulatory requirements, which is particularly important for large-scale and institutional partners.

The platform's **payment widget** integration makes it simple for businesses to start accepting crypto payments, while their **affiliate program** helps expand adoption across different sectors.

These tools have been instrumental in reducing the technical barriers that previously prevented

businesses from accepting cryptocurrency payments, contributing to the increased adoption of stablecoins as a payment method.

Looking forward

Over the next 12 months, NOWPayments plans to focus on maintaining high platform stability and ensuring fast, reliable support, especially in complex situations. The company aims to continue refining the user experience while remaining a trusted partner for businesses navigating the evolving crypto landscape.

The significant shift toward stablecoin usage suggests that cryptocurrency payments are maturing beyond their speculative origins. As more businesses recognize the practical benefits of stablecoins for everyday transactions, this trend is likely to accelerate, potentially reshaping how digital payments are processed globally.

For businesses interested in exploring crypto payment solutions, NOWPayments offers comprehensive integration guides and support to help companies **get started with crypto payments**.

About NOWPayments

NOWPayments is a leading cryptocurrency payment gateway founded in 2019. Custody option is available. The platform enables businesses to accept over 300 digital assets seamlessly, serving thousands of merchants worldwide. With features including auto conversion, fiat settlement, instant payouts, mass crypto payouts, NOWPayments makes crypto adoption practical and accessible for businesses of all sizes. The company is committed to providing stable, reliable payment infrastructure while helping businesses navigate the evolving cryptocurrency landscape.

Follow NOWPayments on **Twitter** and **LinkedIn** for the latest updates on crypto payment trends and platform developments.

TEARING DOWN THE WALLS AROUND AI: INTRODUCING NUWA AI

Over the past year, AI has advanced at an astonishing pace — but also behind increasingly higher walls. Expensive subscriptions, scattered apps, and centralized gateways have made it harder than ever for everyday people to truly access, build with, or benefit from AI. The potential is there — but it's locked away.

Maybe you've used ChatGPT — but does it help with all those tiny, scattered tasks in your day? Maybe you've tried AI agents — but how many monthly subscriptions can you juggle? Each one demands sign-ups, logins, credit card info, a trial run... only to repeat the process again and again.

Imagine instead: every AI model and agent you need, all in one place. One login. One unified access point. No switching between tabs, no endless subscriptions — just pay per use, whenever you need it.

That's what we're building with Nuwa AI — an open AI agent platform where anyone can use, create, and monetize models and agents. It's powered by a unified decentralized identity (DID) for secure, universal login, and an AI-native payment layer designed for instant, borderless, and sustainable transactions.

How Nuwa AI unlocks AI for everyone

Nuwa AI is an open agent platform that allows users to access a wide range of AI agents through a single account, while giving developers a global marketplace to publish, distribute, and earn from their creations. We bridge the gap between users and the right AI agents — and help developers reach their audiences without friction.

At its core, the platform is built on three pillars:

1. Abstract AI Agents with Caps

A Capability (Cap) is the atomic unit of functionality in Nuwa. Each Cap combines:

Model – Any LLM from any provider (or your own) via a standard OpenAI-compatible API.

Prompt – A public, customizable prompt that defines the agent's behavior.

MCP Servers – Extensions to access external data or perform complex tasks.

Whether it's a simple chatbot, a multi-step workflow, or a full SaaS replacement, a Cap is a reusable, composable building block.

2. Unified Identity with DID

With Decentralized Identifiers (DID), users log in once and gain secure, portable access to every

agent. Developers can verify and manage access without relying on centralized gatekeepers, enabling privacy, interoperability, and full user control.

3. Instant, AI-Native Payments — Powered by the Nuwa Token

For developers, monetization should be instant and borderless. Nuwa AI integrates crypto-based payment channels so agents can charge per use, subscription, or custom pricing — with near-zero delay and no dependency on traditional rails.

Under the hood, all settlements will be powered by the Nuwa Token — the universal transaction layer for the ecosystem. Every AI call, data access, and workflow completion will create usage-driven demand for the token. Automated revenue sharing will ensure that creators, infrastructure providers, DAOs, and referrers are rewarded instantly, keeping the network economically sustainable.

In short, it's not just a payment method — it's the economic backbone and coordination layer of the open AI agent economy.

(Note: Nuwa Token support is not yet live in the beta. Current payments run on standard crypto settlement, with token integration planned in an upcoming release.)

Why it matters

AI is like electricity — a universal utility — while AI agents are the appliances that put it to work. Today, most agents are packaged as standalone apps, and users pay app providers instead of directly paying for the AI utility. That's like paying the toaster manufacturer every time you make toast.

We believe this app-centric model fragments experiences and limits innovation. Nuwa replaces it with a modular, interoperable agent economy where functionality is delivered as Caps, and AI utility flows seamlessly to where it's needed.

We imagine a world where:

A writer packages their style into a Writing Cap that earns income with every use.

A coder publishes Caps from tiny utilities to rocket-science-level systems — monetizing instantly, globally.

A teacher turns their teaching style into a Cap so students can learn anytime.

Any user simply states their goal — and Nuwa instantly delivers the right Caps, with zero setup.

Our goal: make Nuwa AI the universal outlet for all AI agents, so AI becomes an effortless extension of everyone.

Be part of the beta

We're excited to announce the beta launch of the Nuwa AI platform. The core building blocks are now live, including:

Cap creation & publishing

DID identity creation & authorization

AI-native crypto payments (currently using standard crypto settlement — Nuwa Token integration coming soon)

Developers, this is your invitation to launch your first Cap and help shape the agent-centric future from day one.

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Find out more and connect with us:

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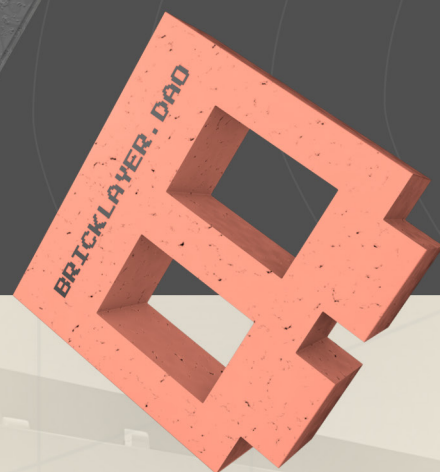
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ETHEREUM OUTFLOWS TOP \$888-M AS BINANCE AND COINBASE BALANCES SHRINK

Ethereum (ETH) trades above the \$4,400 price mark following a rather eventful market week. Although CoinMarketCap data reports the altcoin notched up a net weekly gain of 4.21%, a sharp 7.14% pullback toward the end of the week has dampened sentiment, introducing a more cautious undertone. With ETH now consolidating in a sideways range, crypto analyst Amr Taha has outlined both short and long-term market outlooks, drawing on recent exchange flows and futures market activity.

Bearish Funding Rates Vs. Bullish On-Chain Flows: Ethereum At A Crossroads

In a recent QuickTake post on CryptoQuant, Taha provides valuable insight into the price trajectory of Ethereum as both futures market positioning and exchange balances are undergoing significant changes. In studying recent developments in the derivative markets, the crypto expert observes a 29% decline in Open Interest over the past two days, following a drop in ETH prices from above \$4,700 to below \$4,400, which suggests that traders are rapidly closing or liquidating positions amid market turbulence.

Adding to the bearish atmosphere, perpetual futures funding rates turned negative across major exchanges. Negative funding rates occur when short positions dominate, meaning traders are paying to maintain bearish bets. While this reflects prevailing pessimism, Amr Taha states that history shows that such extremes often coincide with oversold conditions and can precede a rebound if other bullish catalysts emerge.

Amid this derivative market situation, spot market data paints a different picture. In recent days, Taha explains that 200,000 ETH, worth approximately \$888 million, were withdrawn from major centralized exchanges. Coinbase saw an outflow of 128,000 ETH, while Binance recorded 72,000 ETH leaving its platform.

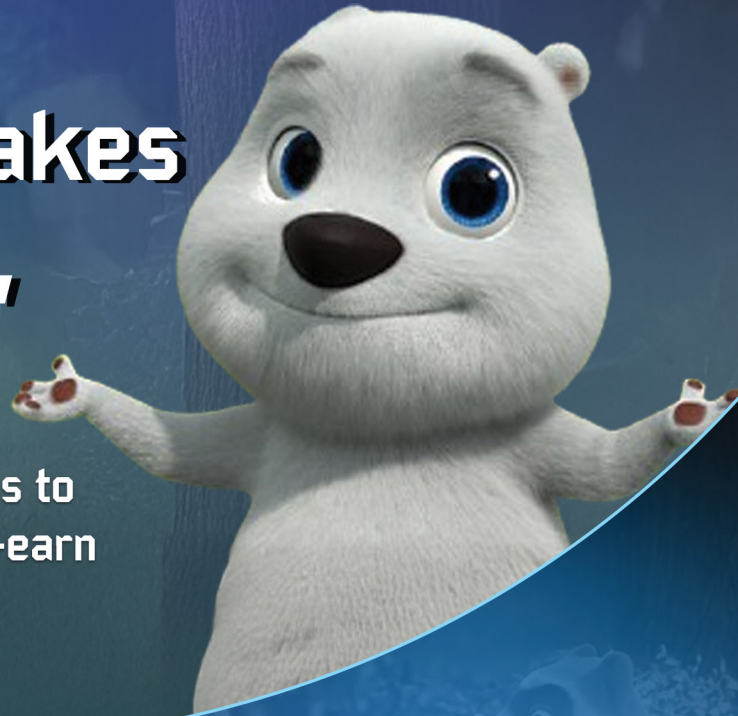
Generally, large-scale exchange withdrawals are often interpreted as a bullish signal. When investors remove funds from trading platforms, they typically move them into cold storage wallets for multiple reasons, such as long-term holding or staking.

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Bitcoin Tanks to 11-Day Low as Nearly \$500M Liquidations Sweep the Market

Bitcoin's price had a quiet weekend, but it headed straight south on Monday morning by dropping to an 11-day low of \$115,000.

Almost all altcoins have followed suit, with ETH dumping to \$4,300, while XRP is testing the crucial \$3 resistance.

The latest correction transpired as the US futures markets reopened, but also during the early Asian trading hours. Perhaps a large portion of this volatility can be attributed to the latest developments in the Ukraine-Russia war.

As reported on Saturday morning, Trump and Putin failed to reach a conclusive

deal on how the war should end. However, the US President said later on that there has been "big progress on Russia," and advised people to stay tuned.

On Sunday, the POTUS made another comment, saying that the ball is now in Volodymyr Zelenskyy's court:

"President Zelenskyy of Ukraine can end the war with Russia almost immediately, if he wants to, or he can continue to fight. Remember how it started. No getting back Obama given Crimea (12 years ago, without a shot being fired!), and NO GOING INTO NATO BY UKRAINE. Some things never change."

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Volatility Vanishes Across Markets as Traders Brace for Powell's Jackson Hole Speech

The decline in volatility across asset classes likely reflects expectations for easy monetary policy and economic stability; however, some analysts are warning of potential downside risks.

Asset classes are experiencing a signifi-

cant decline in volatility ahead of Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell's speech at the Jackson Hole Symposium.

The Federal Reserve is expected to resume rate cuts in September, with a potential 25 basis point reduction antici-



pated.

Despite low volatility, some analysts warn of market complacency amid ongoing economic uncertainties and potential downside risks.

A pervasive calm has taken hold of asset classes as traders look forward to Federal Reserve (Fed) Chairman Jerome Powell's speech at the annual Jackson Hole Symposium, scheduled for Aug. 21-23.

Bitcoin's (BTC) 30-day implied volatility, as

measured by Volmex's BVIV and Deribit's DVOL index, has declined sharply in recent months, hovering near two-year lows of around 36% last week, according to TradingView data.

Similarly, the CME Gold Volatility Index (GVZ), which estimates the expected 30-day volatility of returns for the SPDR Gold Shares ETF (GLD), has more than halved over the past four months, dropping to 15.22%—its lowest level since January.

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THE CRYPTO GAMBLING BOOM

WHY 2025 IS THE YEAR TO BET WITH BLOCKCHAIN

Did you know crypto casino revenue soared to \$81.4 billion in 2024? This massive surge shows a fivefold increase from just 2022 levels. The crypto gambling industry has surged from \$50 million in 2019 to \$250 million in 2024, showing incredible momentum. The compound annual growth rate reached 38% over five years straight. Industry experts **predict** the crypto gambling market will exceed \$400 million by 2028.

The Numbers Don't Lie: 2025 Market Statistics

1. Market Share Dominance Grows Rapidly

How much of online gambling now uses cryptocurrency payments? Crypto gambling accounts for 30% of all online wagers worldwide in 2025. This represents a significant jump from 20% in 2022 alone. Player trust in blockchain-based platforms continues to increase steadily. The shift reflects growing confidence in digital currency security. Traditional gambling platforms now integrate crypto payment options regularly.

2. User Base Expansion Reaches New Heights

In the first quarter of 2025 alone, total bets placed at crypto casinos hit a jaw-dropping \$26 billion. The majority of users fall between ages 18-44 years old. Mobile gaming and decentralized platforms show the strongest growth trends. Major platforms like

Stake.com process over \$1.1 billion monthly. User demographics show strong preference for instant transaction speeds.

3. Transaction Volume Doubles Year Over Year

Total digital currency bets reached \$26 billion in Q1 2025. This volume nearly doubled compared to the previous year period. The surge marks an explosive growth phase for crypto gambling. Mainstream adoption continues to accelerate across all market segments. Bitcoin remains the most popular cryptocurrency for gambling transactions.

4. Dispute Resolution Shows Dramatic Improvement

Leading crypto casino operators reported 38% fewer payout disputes recently. This decline occurred during Q1 2025 across major platforms. Provably fair technology enables transparent game outcome verification instantly. Blockchain technology eliminates many traditional gambling dispute causes completely. Players can verify game fairness through public blockchain records.

Key Drivers Behind the 2025 Boom

What makes 2025 the breakthrough year for crypto gambling? Stablecoins are increasingly accepted into payment infrastructures across major platforms. Multi-chain technology enables seamless transactions between different blockchain

networks. South Korea's Financial Services Commission created controlled environments for stablecoin gambling. Regulatory acceptance grows as governments establish clear frameworks. These technological advances remove traditional barriers that limited player access.

Enhanced user experience drives widespread adoption throughout the industry. Instant deposits and withdrawals eliminate frustrating waiting periods completely. Smart contracts automate payouts without human intervention or delays. Transaction fees remain significantly lower than traditional banking methods. Players enjoy complete transparency through publicly verifiable blockchain records. These improvements create competitive advantages that traditional casinos cannot match.

EU's MiCA rules require stablecoins to follow strict guidelines. Congress approaches formal stablecoin framework legislation that provides regulatory clarity. Licensed operators gain legitimacy through compliance with emerging standards. Institutional investment flows into regulated crypto gambling platforms steadily. Market maturation attracts mainstream players who previously avoided cryptocurrency. These regulatory developments build long-term industry stability and growth.

User Empowerment in the Web3 Era

1. Anonymity

Privacy-focused gamblers in 2025 demand full anonymity and instant access. Privacy-minded users favor no-KYC crypto casino accounts tied to wallets. Players value financial privacy without extensive identity verification requirements. Crypto transactions protect personal information from third-party data collection.

No-KYC platforms surge in 2025, offering anonymity via USDT. Players use cryptocurrency wallets secured by private keys instead. This approach eliminates personal document submissions or financial disclosures. Blockchain technology enables truly anonymous gambling experiences for users.

2. Self-Custody Wallets

How do players maintain complete control over their funds? Self-custody means faster, cheaper,

and uncensored deposits and withdrawals. Players hold private keys rather than trusting third-party services. Wallet ownership eliminates counterparty risks associated with traditional platforms.

Crypto assets must be held by qualified custodians meeting standards. However, self-custody options let users bypass institutional requirements entirely. Players can access funds immediately without withdrawal approval delays. This control appeals to users prioritizing financial sovereignty completely.

3. Global Access

What percentage of global players can access crypto gambling? Anonymous crypto casinos cater to demographics seeking independence from systems. Geographic restrictions disappear when using decentralized blockchain networks. Players from any country can participate without banking limitations.

Traditional gambling faces regulatory barriers in many jurisdictions worldwide. Crypto platforms operate across borders without geographical payment restrictions. Non-custodial, KYC-free gambling sites allow fast, transparent, secure access. This global accessibility creates massive market expansion opportunities continuously.

4. Cross-Chain Play

Major tokens like Ethereum, Solana, and Tether gain widespread support. Multi-chain platforms accept various cryptocurrencies for maximum user convenience. Players can use their preferred blockchain without forced conversions.

Cross-chain technology bridges different cryptocurrency ecosystems seamlessly together effectively. Users switch between networks based on transaction costs and speeds. Support for ETH, SOL, and USDT creates comprehensive gaming options. This flexibility accommodates diverse player preferences and portfolio compositions.

5. Provably Fair Gaming

How can players verify game fairness in real-time? Blockchain records create transparent, immutable proof of game outcomes. Players demand more privacy, security, and control in 2025. Cryptographic algorithms enable independent verification of random number generation.

Traditional casinos rely on trust rather than mathematical proof. Provably fair technology eliminates house manipulation concerns through transparency. Players can audit game results using publicly available blockchain. This technological innovation builds unprecedented trust between operators and users.

What makes Crypto.Games the Ultimate 2025 Gambling Destination?

Crypto.Games stands as the premier blockchain gambling platform with proven excellence. Crypto.Games delivers comprehensive game selection with competitive edge percentages throughout. The platform features Dice with 1.0% edge, Roulette at 2.7%, and Blackjack. Video Poker, Plinko, Slots, and Lottery complete the diverse offerings.

Benefits of Crypto.Games at a Glance

Provably Fair RNG Technology: Crypto.Games pioneered transparent gaming with verifiable random number generation systems. Players can verify every game outcome through cryptographic proof methods. The platform eliminates house manipulation concerns through mathematical transparency completely. Fair gaming builds unprecedented trust between Crypto.Games and users.

Instant Deposits and Withdrawals: Crypto.Games processes withdrawals instantly, demonstrating commitment to player satisfaction. Traditional banking requires business days while Crypto.Games completes transactions immediately. Players access winnings 24/7 without banking hour restrictions whatsoever. This speed advantage makes Crypto.Games superior to traditional platforms.

Multiple Cryptocurrency Support: Crypto.Games accepts various cryptocurrencies with user-friendly coin selection interface. Players choose their preferred digital currency without forced conversion fees. Multi-chain compatibility accommodates diverse portfolio compositions and personal preferences. This flexibility increases Crypto.Games accessibility across different blockchain ecosystems.

VIP Membership Programs: Crypto.Games features comprehensive VIP programs with exclusive member

benefits. High-volume players receive enhanced bonuses, faster processing, and personal support. VIP tiers reward loyalty through progressive benefit structures systematically implemented. These programs encourage long-term player retention at Crypto.Games.

Self-Exclusion and Timeout Features: Crypto.Games implements advanced responsible gambling tools including timeout options. Players can set deposit limits and cooling-off periods automatically. These safety features promote healthy gambling habits and comprehensive protection. Responsible gaming tools demonstrate Crypto.Games commitment to user welfare.

Elite Wagering Competitions: Crypto.Games hosts exciting wagering competitions with prizes reaching \$500,000 maximum. Players can win enormous sums beyond regular gameplay rewards. Participants showcase their skills and luck in high-stakes challenges. The platform's commitment to exhilarating experiences sets it apart completely.

High-Stakes Rewards: Every bet on dice and roulette gives players chances to win growing jackpots. High-stakes rewards increase with each wager placed across the platform. Players can hit life-changing jackpots during regular gaming sessions. This feature adds excitement and massive winning potential continuously.

Takeaway

The crypto gambling revolution is here, and Crypto.Games leads the charge. Crypto.Games offers unmatched speed, privacy, and innovative features for players. The platform provides provably fair technology, instant transactions, and comprehensive game libraries. Start your journey at Crypto.Games now and discover why it's the premier choice for blockchain-powered gambling worldwide.



Billions in Ethereum Waiting to Be Unstaked Could Add Sell Pressure to ETH: Analyst

Chainlink's Data Streams could fuel the next wave of blockchain financial innovation by enabling tokenized trading and perpetual futures

Ethereum stakers are lining up to withdraw their ETH, but the record queue could spell bad news for the coin's recent price surge.

A growing queue to unstake ETH could put sell pressure on Ethereum, according to a Bitwise analyst.

Ethereum's validator exit queue hit 855,158 ETH worth roughly \$3.7 billion on Friday.

Ethereum's price dipped more than 3% on Friday, shortly after the token nearly hit a new all-time

high.

Ethereum holders are increasingly lining up to unstake their tokens, a trend that could put significant sell pressure on the cryptocurrency, according to one crypto expert.

The Ethereum blockchain's validator exit queue hit 855,158 ETH on Friday—the highest it's ever been, according to validatorqueue.com. The tokens were worth a combined \$3.7 billion as of late Friday, according to data provider CoinGecko.

Staking is a process by which digital asset holders lock up their tokens to secure a blockchain network and earn rewards.

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Miners, not ETFs, are building the financial backbone of Bitcoin

Blockchain “de-anonymizer” firm Arkham has discovered what it believes is the biggest Bitcoin (BTC) hack in history.

Since the April 2024 halving, Bitcoin miners have evolved into systemic stabilizers, positioning themselves as critical players in BTC-native finance

through strategic balance-sheet management and liquidity strategies.

ETFs may dominate the headlines, but the real architects of Bitcoin's liquidity are the miners quietly building balance sheets. Since the April 2024 halving, the role of miners as a whole has shifted from pure producers to systemic



stabilizers. While institutions celebrate inflows, miners are doing the hard work of anchoring Bitcoin-native finance (BTCFi).

In this article, I explore the way miners are emerging as financial actors, how they're deploying balance-sheet strategies, and what BTCFi infrastructure still lacks in order for this evolution to succeed.

From Hashrate to Balance Sheets: The Post-Halving Pivot
The 2024 halving slashed block rewards, tightening margins across the industry. As

a result, many miners had to restructure their operations not just to survive, but to manage capital with greater precision. No longer content with selling block rewards at market, miners began behaving more like corporate treasuries: timing BTC sales, collateralizing reserves, and building financial buffers.

As of mid-2025, statistics show that Bitcoin miners collectively hold over 104,500 BTC (roughly \$12.7 billion), while corporate treasuries added 159,107 BTC in Q2 alone.

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FIFA Rivals, the high-energy mobile football game from FIFA and Mythical Games, today proudly announced a multi-year partnership with Bundesliga club Borussia Dortmund, bringing the iconic German club into its digital arena.

The collaboration marks FIFA Rivals' first official club partnership and signifies a major step forward in the game's expansion across key football markets, while also introducing next-generation fan engagement to the global football community.

As part of the partnership, gamers and fans can expect exclusive BVB content, digital collectibles, and experiences both in-game and in real life, throughout the 2025/26 season, including:

Dortmund Players In-Game: Current select players including, Karim Adeyemi, Serhou Guirassy, Nico Schlotterbeck, Gregor Kobel, Jobe Bellingham, Yan Couto, and Daniel Svensson

Official In-Game Collectible Items: Kits will be available in FIFA Rivals starting in August, allowing gamers to collect them.

Fan Rewards and Giveaways: FIFA Rivals will host giveaways and challenges offering rewards such as in-game BVB collectibles, matchday tickets, and physical BVB merchandise.

IRL Activations: Future activations with BVB, including those at BVB's FanWelt.

"Our partnership with Borussia Dortmund is a strategic step in expanding FIFA Rivals' global footprint and deepening our engagement within the European football ecosystem," said Jung Suh, Chief Business Officer at Mythical Games. "BVB's global brand, forward-thinking approach, and commitment to fan experience make them an ideal partner as we continue to bridge the worlds of interactive entertainment and sport.

"We are excited about our partnership with FIFA Rivals. It creates a unique bridge between the digital and real worlds, enabling us to connect with our fans around the world in innovative ways. Borussia Dortmund stands for passion, community, and innovation – values that align perfectly with this project," said BVB Managing Director Carsten Cramer.

As the world's first mobile football game to integrate digital ownership and player-powered economies, FIFA Rivals continues to redefine the football gaming experience for a new generation of fans.

To kick off the partnership, FIFA Rivals will host a

special BVB Launch Giveaway Week from August 18–24, where all new and existing players can log in daily to receive a free BVB player card pack, featuring select first-team stars (no purchase necessary). Rivals players can also claim a new official Borussia Dortmund Emblem to customize their team. Additional exclusive emblems with stat boosts will be available in the in-game store during this limited-time event.

FIFA Rivals is available now on the **App Store** and **Google Play Store**, with more BVB-focused content launching this year.

About Mythical Games

Acknowledged by Fast Company's World Changing Ideas 2021 and recently Forbes' Best Startup Employers (2024), Mythical Games is a next-generation game company creating world-class games and empowering players to take ownership of their in-game assets through the use of blockchain technology. The team has helped develop major franchises, including Call of Duty, Call of Duty Mobile, World of Warcraft, Diablo, Overwatch, Magic: The Gathering, EA Madden, Harry Potter Hogwarts Mystery, Marvel Strike Force, Modern Warfare 3, and Skylanders. Mythical's current games Blankos Block Party and NFL Rivals are already played by

millions of consumers worldwide and create a new economy for players allowing them to engage in a new way with games but also directly trade and transact safely with other players worldwide.

The Mythical Marketplace, the first in-game blockchain Marketplace on iOS and Android, provides gamers with ownership and control over the purchase and sale of digital assets, while the Mythical Platform protects gamers that may be new to blockchain through a custodial wallet for their digital items.

About Borussia Dortmund

Borussia Dortmund is one of the most traditional and popular German football clubs. Founded in 1909, BVB boasts more than 10 million fans within Germany and, in addition, also looks to a rapidly growing fan base worldwide. The eight-time German champions and five-time DFB-Pokal winner was in 1966 the first German club to win a European Cup competition. BVB also became the first Bundesliga club to win the UEFA Champions League in 1997, followed by the Intercontinental Cup in the same year. With a turnover of over 500 million Euro, Borussia Dortmund nowadays is also one of the economically strongest football clubs in the world.



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Brevan Howard, Goldman Sachs and Harvard Lead Billions in Bitcoin ETF Buying Spree

Institutions ramped up BTC exposure in Q2 through spot ETFs like IBIT and crypto-linked stocks, signaling growing comfort with the asset class.

Wall Street institutions significantly increased their indirect exposure to bitcoin in Q2 through spot ETFs and crypto-linked U.S. stocks, SEC filings show.

Brevan Howard nearly doubled its position in BlackRock's iShares Bitcoin Trust to \$2.3 billion, while Goldman Sachs, Wells Fargo, and Cantor Fitzgerald also boosted ETF and crypto-stock holdings.

Norway's sovereign wealth fund also grew its indirect bitcoin exposure by 192% year-over-year by investing in companies like MicroStrategy

and Coinbase, though the position remains a tiny fraction of its \$2 trillion portfolio.

Wall Street ramped up its exposure to bitcoin in the second quarter, adding positions not only in spot bitcoin exchange-traded funds (ETFs) but also in U.S. stocks closely tied to the cryptocurrency's price, according to new filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

Brevan Howard nearly doubled its position in BlackRock's iShares Bitcoin Trust (IBIT) during the second quarter, according to a securities filing. The macro-focused hedge fund held 37.9 million shares at the end of June, up from about 21.5 million in March.

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EV Startup Faraday Future Launches \$10 Billion Crypto Strategy

Faraday Future Intelligent Electric Inc. announced on August 17, 2025, the launch of its "EAI + Crypto" Dual-Flywheel & Dual-Bridge Ecosystem Strategy, aiming to integrate artificial intelligence (AI)-driven electric vehicles (EVs) with Web3 technologies and cryptocurrency investments.

The initiative includes the introduction of the C10 Index, a diversified crypto asset basket, and the C10 Treasury plan, marking the first such program by a U.S.-listed company, with Phase 1 allocating \$500 million to \$1 billion starting with an initial \$30 million next week and a long-term vision scaling to \$10 billion. This strategy seeks to connect the EV industry with Web3 capital, creating mutual amplification of shareholder and industrial value through separate but interconnected

EV and crypto business entities. The announcement was made during Monterey Car Week, emphasizing transparency, compliance, and innovation in blending mobility with blockchain applications.

Week in Review
Google clarified that self custody wallets would not be banned from the Play Store after confusion over a July policy update. Blackrock addressed speculation about a spot XRP ETF. Ethereum surged past \$4,700, its highest since 2021. Ripple positioned itself to capitalize on a projected \$19 trillion tokenization wave. Meanwhile, Coinbase CEO Brian Armstrong likened crypto's adoption moment to Netflix overtaking Blockbuster.

Google Play Store Clears the Air: Non-Custodial Wallets Will Not Be Banned



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KuCoin, a leading global cryptocurrency exchange, is pleased to announce that its payment arm **KuCoin Pay** has entered into a strategic partnership with **Umy**, an innovative Web3 travel and lifestyle platform. This collaboration aims to make travel more open, efficient, and rewarding by integrating secure, seamless cryptocurrency payments into Umy's global travel booking ecosystem.

Through this integration, KuCoin users can now effortlessly book hotels, reserve flights, and access lifestyle services on Umy — all while paying with digital assets. Supporting over 50 cryptocurrencies, including KCS, USDT, USDC, and BTC, KuCoin Pay empowers travelers to enjoy frictionless transactions without the need for currency exchange or additional banking intermediaries.

"At KuCoin Pay, our mission is to bridge crypto with everyday life, and travel is one of the most exciting frontiers," said **Kumiko Ho, Head of Payment Business at KuCoin**. *"Our partnership with Umy allows users to unlock real-world experiences directly with their digital assets, offering more freedom, convenience, and value in every journey."*

"Umy is committed to making travel and lifestyle services accessible in the Web3 era," said **Alex Lee, Umy CEO**. *"By partnering with KuCoin Pay,*

we're enabling travelers to seamlessly use their crypto assets for bookings, making the experience more efficient, borderless, and rewarding."

To celebrate this partnership, KuCoin Pay and Umy are offering an exclusive limited-time promotion for KuCoin users until September 1, 2025. Users can get \$20 off every \$200 spent on hotels, flights, and more! See more details in the **official announcement**.

About KuCoin Pay

KuCoin Pay is a pioneering merchant payment solution that drives business growth by integrating cryptocurrency payments into retail ecosystems. Supporting over 50 cryptocurrencies including KCS, USDT, USDC, and BTC, KuCoin Pay enables seamless transactions for both online and in-store purchases globally.

For more information about KuCoin Pay, please visit <https://www.kucoin.com/pay>.

About Umy

Umy is an innovative Web3 global travel and lifestyle platform offering hotel bookings, flight reservations, and cryptocurrency payment solutions. Its mission is to connect on-chain digital assets with real-world experiences, making it effortless to travel, shop, and live using crypto in everyday life.



Premier League Giant Arsenal Strikes Partnership With Crypto Broker Bitpanda: Details

We're excited to welcome Bitpanda to our Arsenal family as the latest global brand to join our diverse stable of partners," the club's CCO said.

Bitpanda became the latest digital asset entity to get involved with the Premier League – the top-tier soccer league of England.

Other crypto organizations that have previously done so include Tezos and Floki.

Bitpanda Returns to the UK

The British soccer giant Arsenal announced a multi-year partnership with Bitpanda, a renowned cryptocurrency broker that is headquartered in Austria.

As part of the deal, the company's branding will be featured at Emirates Stadium (the home ground of the team), starting with the first game for the new season against Leeds United on August 23.

"Together, Bitpanda and Arsenal will deliver immersive digital activations, player involvement in content creation, and exclusive experiences designed to bring supporters closer to the club," the disclosure reads.

Additionally, users of the crypto firm will enjoy unique opportunities, including VIP access to matches, invitations to exclusive events, and the chance to meet legendary club players.

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Thailand to launch crypto payment sandbox for tourists

The Thai government will allow tourists to exchange crypto for Thai baht and make electronic payments through e-money service providers.

Thailand is preparing to launch a regulatory sandbox that will allow foreign tourists to convert cryptocurrencies into Thai baht for spending in the country, its securities regulator said.

The "TouristDigiPay" project will run for 18 months beginning in the fourth quarter of 2025, according to an Aug. 18 announcement from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) sent to Cointelegraph. The initiative is being co-developed with the Ministry of Finance, the Anti-Money Laundering Office (AMLO) and the Ministry of Tourism and Sports.



Notably, the SEC stressed that cryptocurrencies will not be allowed to be used directly for goods and services. Merchants will receive payment in baht, while Know Your Customer and Customer Due Diligence requirements set by AMLO will apply to both digital asset operators and e-money providers.

The TouristDigiPay project builds upon the existing ecosystem that integrates

the digital asset trading system regulated by the SEC with the e-money system regulated by the Bank of Thailand," said SEC Secretary-General Pornanong Budsaratragoon. She added that the program includes "appropriate risk management measures" designed to safeguard both tourists and merchants.

There will also be safeguards, including monthly spending limits and a block on direct cash withdrawals.

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Tom Lee's BitMine Immersion Accumulates Additional 135,135 ETH Worth \$600,000,000 in Mere Hours: Report



BitMine Immersion (BMNR) – the largest Ethereum (ETH) treasury firm in the world – is reportedly gobbling up hundreds of millions of dollars worth of Ether, adding to its burgeoning stockpile.

In a new post on X, EmberCN reports that Tom Lee's new

company went on an Ethereum buying spree, accumulating tens of thousands of Ethereum in just 10 hours and bringing the value of its treasury to nearly \$6 billion.

"BMNR has continued to increase its holdings by 135,135 ETH, valued at \$600 million, through the institutional business

platforms of FalconX, Galaxy Digital, and BitGo over the past 10 hours.

Their total ETH reserve now stands at 1.297 million ETH, valued at \$5.77 billion."

Earlier this week, it was BitMine's stock that saw an explosive rally, at the time rising 119% in just four trading days, fueled

by a separate large ETH purchase. As stated by Lee,

"In just a week, BitMine increased its ETH holdings by \$2.0 billion to \$4.96 billion (from 833,137 to 1.15 million tokens), lightning speed in the company's pursuit of the 'alchemy of 5%' of ETH..."

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Ripple-Backed Epic Chain To Launch XRP-Powered RWA Tokenization Platform

Epic Chain, backed by Ripple, is taking a bold step into the future of finance with the launch of its XRP-native RWA tokenization platform. With Ripple's support and XRP's efficiency at its core, Epic Chain could lead the next wave of adoption, where trillions in real-world assets move seamlessly on-chain.

Ripple Backs New Real-World Assets Platform In a release, Epic Chain is positioning itself at the center of the real-world assets (RWAs) tokenization wave, building an XRP-native platform to bring real estate, credit, commodities, and collectibles onto the blockchain. With the global RWA market estimated at over \$50 trillion,

Epic Chain's positioning could be transformational.

Epic is currently valued at a modest \$60 million FDV, and it trades on Binance, Bybit, and Kucoin, with further listings anticipated. Operating in over 150 countries, the project targets more than 100 million traders and is connected to over a million bank accounts, and has launched a \$1 million adoption and liquidity program to drive global growth.

According to Route 2 FI, initially launched as an ERC-20 token on Ethereum, Epic is now migrating to an EVM-compatible XRP Ledger sidechain, unlocking native liquidity and tighter integration with XRP infrastructure.

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Japan's FSA to Approve First Yen-Denominated Stablecoin, JPYC, This Autumn



Japan's Financial Services Agency (FSA) is set to approve the issuance of the country's first yen-denominated stablecoin, JPYC, this autumn, with the fintech firm JPYC based in Chiyoda, Tokyo, expected to be registered as a funds transfer service by the end of August.

The stablecoin will be pegged at 1 JPYC = 1 JPY and backed by liquid assets such as bank deposits and government bonds. Aiming to facilitate international remittances and corporate payments, JPYC plans to issue ¥1 trillion over the next three years. The approval aligns with a regulatory framework established under the revised Payment Services Act, which distinguishes stablecoins from cryptocurrencies and allows licensed operators to

issue them. JPYC's representative, Noritaka Okabe, indicated that the stablecoin could significantly impact the Japanese government bond market by increasing demand.

The claim by Riccardo Spagni, former lead developer for Monero, that a close friend and longtime crypto skeptic had expressed interest in buying XRP ignited debate between the digital asset's fervent supporters and its persistent critics. The conversation was further fueled by the unnamed friend's striking belief that traditional banks would be obsolete in less than two years, a sentiment that has brought renewed scrutiny to the marketing strategies of the XRP team.

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Taiwan's first Bitcoin treasury investor bets \$10 million on Nasdaq's SORA

WiseLink's convertible note marks a rare cross-border move into digital asset treasury strategy.

Top Win International, listed on Nasdaq as SORA, has secured \$10 million from a group of investors led by WiseLink. This marks the first time a Taiwanese public company has invested in a Bitcoin treasury-focused firm.

According to the companies, the deal was executed through a three-year convertible note and is part of WiseLink's "Bitcoin + Cross-Border Finance" initiative.

The Hong Kong-based Top Win, traditionally engaged in the trading, distribution, and retail of luxury watches, began shifting toward digital

assets in May 2025 through a partnership with Sora Ventures.

The company's strategy includes holding Bitcoin on its balance sheet and investing in other publicly listed companies with similar treasury models. That pivot followed its April 2025 public listing and ticker change from TOPW to SORA.

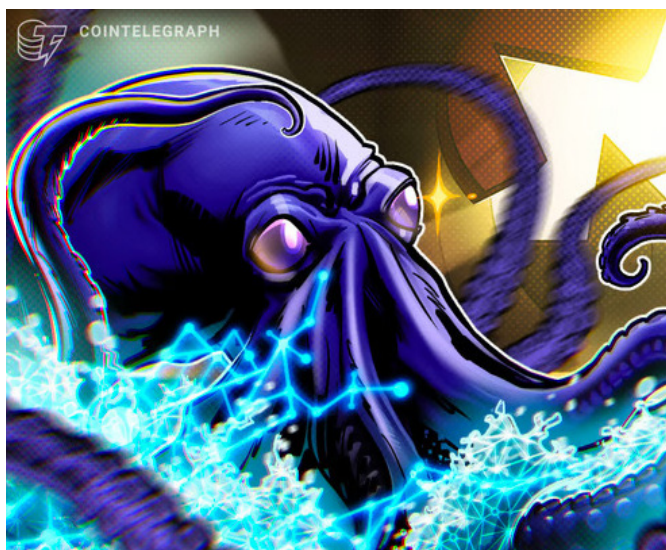
WiseLink, traded on the Taiwan Stock Exchange under 8932, operates fintech services in India and develops SaaS solutions, maintaining a long-term partnership with smartphone maker OPPO.

The company's investment in Top Win establishes a strategic capital and technology collaboration aimed at integrating Bitcoin treasury management with cross-border financial operations.



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Kraken pauses Monero deposits following 51% attack



Withdrawals and trading for Monero (XMR) on the Kraken exchange remain open, and deposits will resume once it is safe, the exchange said.

Crypto exchange Kraken has temporarily paused Monero XMR \$227.49 deposits due to the ongoing 51% attack against the privacy-focused blockchain, which has compromised the security of the network.

A 51% attack occurs when one mining pool controls more than 50% of a blockchain network's total hashing power, giving it the ability to double-spend and reorder transactions on the ledger. The Kraken exchange wrote on Friday:

"As a security precaution, we have paused

Monero deposits after detecting that a single mining pool has gained more than 50% of the network's total hashing power. This concentration of mining power poses a potential risk to network integrity." Qubic, a layer-1 AI-focused blockchain and mining pool, claimed it controlled the majority of Monero's hashrate on Monday and reorganized six blocks, prompting denials of the attack from the Monero community.

Monero is a major privacy-preserving protocol, and the 29th largest crypto by market capitalization, according to CoinMarketCap. The ongoing 51% attack on the network has sent shockwaves through the Monero community, triggering a wave of responses.

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Gemini Plans to Go Public via Nasdaq as Crypto IPOs Boom

Gemini, the crypto exchange founded by Tyler and Cameron Winklevoss, has filed with the SEC to go public. Here are the first details.

Cryptocurrency exchange Gemini announced Friday that it has submitted a public S-1 filing with the SEC to launch a planned initial public offering, two months after previously revealing a confidential filing with the regulator.

Gemini, which was founded in 2014 by billionaire Bitcoin investors Tyler and Cameron Winklevoss—perhaps best known for their role in the creation of Facebook—plans to list via the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the ticker GEMI.

Details on the number of shares to be offered

or the price range have yet to be announced. Similarly, no timeline for the planned IPO has been shared as of yet.

Goldman Sachs, Citigroup, Morgan Stanley, and Cantor will serve as lead bookrunners, according to a press release, along with several additional bookrunners. Academy Securities and AmeriVet Securities will be co-managers.

The initial confidential SEC filing came soon after the blockbuster IPO of USDC stablecoin issuer Circle, which saw its share price almost immediately triple from the \$31 offering mark after trading began in June. It went on to peak at approximately \$299, though shares in CRCL have since settled to a price of \$149 as of Friday's markets close.



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