



6th EDITION
GLOBAL BLOCKCHAIN CONGRESS
&
THE GLOBAL DeFi CONGRESS

February 9th & 10th, 2021 | Dubai, UAE

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INTRODUCTION

Dear Delegates,

It gives me immense pride to say that we have been able to pull such a great event in the midst of an unparalleled pandemic that has virtually brought the entire events industry to a halt. It took a lot of work with the DTCM, the Ministry of Health and the Hotel to ensure that the event is conducted under the strictest health protocols to ensure everyone's safety. But we did it!

I want to thank our sponsors, investors, speakers, guests and partners that helped us make the 6th edition of the Global Blockchain Congress a huge success. I'm also very proud of the fact that Agora, with our partners TDeFi, was the first to launch a DeFi event in the MENA region: The inaugural Global DeFi congress took place on Feb 10th 2021, one day after the Global Blockchain Congress.

The crypto and DeFi landscape has been on a bull run for the last 12 months and Bitcoin went over \$46,000 at the time we were opening up the conference on Feb 9th ; and despite the last-minute drop outs caused by flights cancellations due to Covid restrictions, we ended up with more than 300 delegates, 100 investors, 51 speakers and 25 projects.

Beyond the overarching speculations of how much it will be worth at the end of this year, in two years or in 5 years' time, Bitcoin has successfully attracted institutional investors and significantly increased its adoption rate by mainstream companies such as PayPal and Tesla.

Covid 19 has posed serious challenges to the entire world's economy. In our Global Blockchain Congress we aimed to answer questions like:

- The Blockchain industry is not immune to the uncertainties of the market. How is Blockchain fairing in the age of Covid 19?
- Are projects still getting funded?
- Where are these funds coming from?
- Is raising funds during and after Covid 19 different from how it was before?

Over the two-day conference, we hosted more than 55 of the brightest minds in blockchain, DeFi, digital assets and investment from all over the

world who delved into deep and insightful conversation to answer these questions.

Our event aims to significantly contribute to the advancement of Blockchain technology in the Arab World by providing a unique platform that will connect regulators, Investors, business leaders, government officials and disruptors in a cutting edge conference agenda and via pre-arranged one-to-one meetings between investors and digital assets startups.

This is the type of events where you get the most out of your participation by being pro-active, so it was lovely to see our sponsors and investors meet with as many people as they can, open as many discussions as possible and take full advantage of all the networking opportunities available for them.

Looking forward to seeing you again during our 7th edition of the Global Blockchain and DeFi Congress taking place June 21st and 22nd, 2021 in Dubai.



Hadi Malaeb

CO-Founder & CEO

Agora Group

INTRODUCTION

Dear Readers,

In the middle of the pandemic, when the world was struggling to run businesses virtually, Dubai opened its arms for innovative ideas from the block-chain ecosystem. It gives me great pleasure to say that Agora Group and TDeFi team were able to execute an event at such a grand scale where ideas were brought to life. I would like to thank the DTCM, the Ministry of health, venue, and the teams of both the organisations to pull the event following all the health and safety protocols.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the participants - sponsors, investors, media firms, speakers and the guests to make the first edition of the Global DeFi congress held on 10th February 2021, a huge success. Any amount of appreciation will not be able to make up for the efforts put up by our co-host of this event – Agora Group. This event welcomed 300 delegates, 100 investors, 51 speakers and 25 projects and it was broadcasted live all over the world on leading media channels and a personalized Livestream on TradeDog' Youtube account.

In the middle of all the speculations, the innovative concept of an alternative form of currency - Crypto Assets have been able to mark its presence with institutions and large corporates accepting Bitcoin and other assets as a form of payment. While the world was struggling with negative yields and high hassles for borrowing, Decentralised Finance (DeFi) offered solutions for better yields and instant loans. As I write this message, the total value locked in the DeFi ecosystem has crossed \$40 billion but still the ecosystem is posed with multiple challenges which we tried to solve during the first edition of the Global DeFi congress.

- 1- How to build the required trust to bring mass adoption to this ecosystem.
- 2- What are the regulatory challenges that need to be addressed to bring this solution into the mainstream.
- 3- What are the challenges a startup faces that is trying to build a solution and how can the participants of this ecosystem come together to solve these challenges.
- 4- What steps are required to provide an international stage for disruptive crypto startups that can complement the traditional ecosystem and make it more transparent and efficient.

It was a driving thought that my team and I were obsessed with, and that led to the creation of TDeFi, a DeFi acceleration and mentorship program. Due to our foundational understanding of the corporate and enterprise ecosystem, and a primordial connection with the crypto industry, we decided to channel our expertise into excavating worthwhile DeFi and NFT startups and lead them to success through mutual sweat and blood. We thank our event partner Agora Group for helping us build a powerful and industry-backed ecosystem for emerging startups at the Global DeFi Congress.

Our sponsors, investors, business partners, mentors, and advisors really contributed to the success of this event to an immense degree. The presence of leading personalities from the crypto industry and the government of the UAE depicted the weight of enthusiasm people have regarding this immensely capable financial sector. I am now anticipating to watch more valuable projects in the 7th edition of the Global Blockchain and DeFi Congress scheduled on June 21 and 22, 2021 in Dubai.



Gaurav Dubey

Founder & CEO
O1ex

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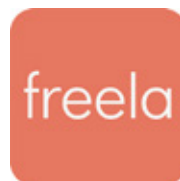


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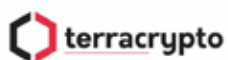


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HEADLINE STATISTICS



300

Total
attendees



250+

One-on-one
meetings



51

Speakers



24

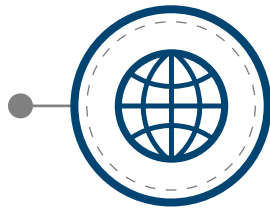
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MARKETING REACH

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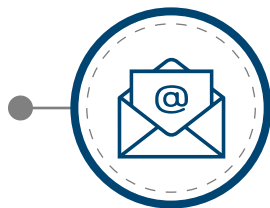
Countries present at the congress

20,000⁺



Size of our Database & reach

3,000⁺



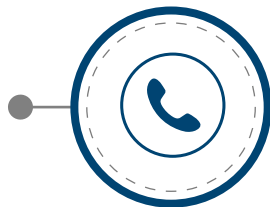
Event brochures emailed

250⁺



Questionnaires filled

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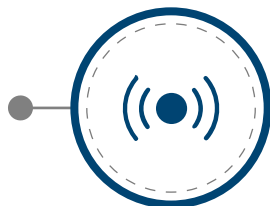
Phone calls made to decision makers

1,500⁺



Companies and organizations contacted

10,000⁺



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The Global DeFi Congress by **AgoraGroup** & **TDeFi** will take place in Dubai on February 9 and 10.

TerraCrypto is partnering with the 6th Global DeFi Congress. Industry representatives will come together to discuss the creation of DeFi platforms, regulations and governance around DeFi, investment opportunities and challenges in decentralized finance.

The event will feature speakers Eric Brundage, Alex Alexandropoulos, Alexander S. Blum, Joseph Holm, Tamas Kofman, Hadi Matabab, Amir Al-Amer and many others. There will also be a panel discussion at the congress. Separate time has been set aside for smaller meetings.

The TerraCrypto team will be at the event — feel free to approach us. We'll discuss DeFi, Blockchain, and trends 2021.

For more information, the event schedule and a list of speakers, visit the official website <https://linktr.ee/VRBute> (<https://linktr.ee/VRBute>)

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"The MENA region saw a record of \$18 billion investment in startups in 2020. Total funding was 12% up from 2019, although total deal count was down by 12% to 496 transactions" - MAGNITT

High Matabab and Ron (i) Andri for putting the 6th Annual #Blockchain and #DeFi conference together. I see the value chain of what you have created being down with every conversation and presentation!

Looking forward to linking **Sakila Xulu** and **Seed South Capital** at 2PM with Draper Green Halm Founder **Josef Rodin** for a quick discussion on #Blockchain and #DeFi on the continent, Africa

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Global Blockchain Conference

By Cassandra Tanti · January 9, 2021

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It will also feature speaker **Eric Brundage**, **MonocloLife** Publisher, and Founder and CEO of Sand Spring Partners.

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Every year our team at **LUNA PR** is excited to join **AgoraGroup** at their #fintech events. With so many interesting projects in the #defi space now and a market cap of over 50 billion dollars, it's about time we have a dedicated conference for it. Look out for our team at the **Agora** conference in Dubai tomorrow and let's talk about #marketing and #PR for your fintech project!

#Blockchain #Crypto

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Dr. Mostafa R. · 2nd Consulting Cultures Through Business
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Despite of strict COVID restrictions, it was great to attend the 6th edition of Global #Blockchain Conference in #Dubai and have the opportunity to meet valuable friends such as **Sir Anthony Ricciardi** and **H.E. Hussain Al Mahmoudi**. Tomorrow will be the second day with interesting topics around #AI, #Crypto, #Startup and #Tech. Special thanks to **AgoraGroup** for this event.

Sheen Hasan Marwan Jassem Al Sarkal, Mohamed Al Musharrah, Daniela Calligaris, Sherika Sarah Jemal, Abdulrahman Nitesh Shalika, Al Shabbar Raghav, Nagel, Mady Nawari, Shym Vishwadia, Saneer Sarkar, Gordon Suttie, Kai Bruns, Massimo Falcioni

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Almaza F. Aljoudi · 2nd Lifestyle Consultant at Goudapoint
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Another day at The Global DeFi Congress. 6th edition about the blockchain and crypto world perfectly organized by **AgoraGroup**.

Tons of thanks to **Ron El Andri** and **Hadi Matabab** and the whole **Agora** team for this great summit!

#DubaiLifeStyle #Money #Cryptorevolution #Blockchain #Blockchain2021

0111 152966 1927 USD
 ETH 1.821 390K USD
 LTC 1.948 2467 USD
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UAE Agora Group Launches DeFi Congress in February 2021

The Global DeFi Congress

February 10th, 2021
Dubai, UAE

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Agora Events group is launching the first and only event focused on DeFi in the MENA region. The Global DeFi Congress will take place on February 10th 2021 in Dubai, with the participation of the Sharjah Research, Technology, and Innovation Park, The Ministry of Science and Technology Policy of Japan, the Governing Council of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law and the Work Group for Cryptocurrency Regulation of the Ministry of Finance of Latvia, Tezos Foundation, Casper Labs, and The Digital Innovation and Blockchain Unit of the European Commission.

The event is a one-day congress comprised of collaborative strategic discussions on how to best build the open financial system. The congress is a bridge that will bring together investors, regulators, solution providers and subject matter experts to discuss, debate and challenge the existing financial system and propose ideas and opportunities on how to challenge and improve our financial system through DeFi.

The event will be centered on 4 topics:

- Who owns the bridge? The builders of DeFi Platforms.
- Who regulates the bridge? Regulators and Governance around DeFi
- Who crosses the bridge? End users of DeFi Products
- Who finances the bridge? Investment opportunities and challenges in DeFi

BTC \$53,750 +7.91%
 ETH \$1,821 +7.67%
 XRP \$0.48 +3.77%
 BCH \$3.97 +5.49%
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The Global DeFi Congress by Agora Group on Feb 10 in Dubai

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This month we attended the 6th edition of the Global Blockchain Congress and inaugural DeFi Congress hosted by [Agora Group](#)

We would like to extend our congratulations to the Agora Team for pulling off a safe-driven, successful and great event #Kuddos

Mohamed Al Sanna Hadi Malaeb Rim El Aridi May El Abany

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10 February 2021, 11:00

The Global DeFi Congress

February 10th, 2021 | Dubai, UAE

Intercontinental Dubai Festival City, UAE

10 February 2021 | 11:00

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AGENDA

6th Edition

Global Blockchain Congress

Tuesday, February 9th, 2021

08:00 – 09:00 60 Minutes	Registration and Refreshments
09:00 – 09:10 10 Minutes	Opening Remarks – Welcome Note <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Hadi Malaeb, Co-Founder & CEO, Agora Group- Eric Brundage, Founder & CEO, Sand Spring Partners- Gaurav Dubey, Founder & CEO, O1ex
09:10 – 09:30 20 Minutes	1st Keynote Address <p>H.E. Hussain Mohammed Al Mahmoudi, CEO, Sharjah Research, Technology & Innovation Park</p>
09:30 – 09:40 10 Minutes	Fireside Chat <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Josef Holm, Founding Partner, Draper Goren Holm- Irina Heaver, Tech & Crypto Lawyer
09:40 – 09:55 15 Minutes	Presentation <p>The next generation of scalable, fast, and secure platforms for the development of industrial-grade solutions.</p> <p>Mrinal Manohar, CEO, CasperLabs</p>
09:55 – 10:10 15 Minutes	Presentation <p>Digital asset and derivative strategy management. Providing institutional investors, family offices, corporate treasuries and HNWLs an intelligent investment vehicle to participate in the digital asset space.</p> <p>Alexander S. Blum, Managing Director, TwoPrime</p>
10:10 – 10:25 15 Minutes	Presentation <p>High performance blockchain for e-commerce and distributed Apps.</p> <p>Ciprian Pungilă, Head of Research, ABEY Foundation</p>
10:25 – 10:35 10 Minutes	Presentation <p>KOC - a resource-oriented currency (resource basket currency), whose standard value is based on the asset valuation of mining resources.</p> <p>David Y. Abram, Founder, KING'S Inc.</p>
10:35 – 10:45 10 Minutes	Presentation <p>Investing via a blockchain-based investment platform through direct exchange of assets between investors and financial providers.</p> <p>Kate Vasilieva, Head of Business Development, SWIC Digital Gateway AG</p>
10:45 – 10:55 10 Minutes	Presentation <p>Evolution of money - Era of Fintech & DeFi</p> <p>Yurii Lamdan, Founder, Commercial & IT Director, Niko Technologies</p>

10:55 – 11:15
20 Minutes

Presentation

AI Powered Blockchain – A decentralized ecosystem of user-friendly, transparent and privacy-respecting products.

Alex Alexandrov, Founder & CEO, Velas Network AG

11:15 – 11:30
15 Minutes

Coffee Break and Networking Session

One to One Meetings Ballroom 2

11:30 – 11:45
15 Minutes

Meeting 1 - 15 Minutes

11:45 – 12:00
15 Minutes

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Meeting 5 - 15 Minutes

12:45 – 13:00
15 Minutes

Meeting 6 - 15 Minutes

13:00 – 14:00
60 Minutes

Prayer break and lunch

14:00 – 14:45
45 Minutes

Panel Discussion - 45 Minutes

Rounding up 2020 – The new composition and landscape of the crypto market.

- How does an economic downturn affect the value of digital assets?
- Spreading the risk in an institutional investment portfolio.
- How has COVID-19 adjusted the game?
- Predictions for 2021.

Moderator:

- Ralf Kubli, Director, Crypto Valley Venture Capital

Panelists:

- Hubertus Thonhauser, Chairman of the Board, Tezos Foundation

- Christophe de Courson, Co-Founder & CEO, Olymp Capital

- Gaurav Dubey, Founder & CEO, O1ex

- Joel Dietz, Connection Science Fellow, MIT

14:45 – 15:30
45 Minutes

Panel Discussion - 45 Minutes

Old vs. new age trading – The vision for the future of trading.

- Institutional vs. decentralised investment: Examining the value proposition of decentralised markets.
- Retail vs institutional access: Should future global trading markets access be democratised?
- Examining the roadblocks to full-scale implementation: Regulation & scalability.
- The future of digital asset trading custody and settlement; Where will we be in 5 years' time?

15:30 – 16:00
30 Minutes

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Moderator:

- *Kristina Lucrezia Cornèr, Managing Editor, Cointelegraph*

Panelists:

- *Animesh Saxena, CIO, Growmore Group*

- *Arif Al-Alawi, CEO, Dubai Cultiv8 Investments Limited*

- *Tatiana Koffman, Investor, Koffman Group & Columnist, Forbes*

Coffee Break and Networking Session

One to One Meetings Ballroom 2

16:00 – 16:15
15 Minutes

Meeting 7 - 15 Minutes

16:15 – 16:30
15 Minutes

Meeting 8 - 15 Minutes

16:30 – 16:45
15 Minutes

Meeting 9 - 15 Minutes

16:45 – 17:00
15 Minutes

Meeting 10 - 15 Minutes

17:00

End of the Congress

The Global DeFi Congress

Wednesday, February 10th, 2021

08:00 – 09:00
60 Minutes

Registration and Refreshments

09:00 – 09:10
10 Minutes

Opening Remarks – Welcome Note

- Rim El Aridi, Co-Founder & Managing Director, Agora Group
- Jorge Sebastiao, CEO, Global Blockchain Organization

09:10 – 09:30
20 Minutes

Keynote Address

DeFi: Legislations and legal challenges

Baiba Broka, Governing Council of the UNIDROIT, Former Minister of Justice of Latvia

09:30 – 09:40
10 Minutes

Fireside Chat

Investing in DeFi projects

- Alon Goren, Founding Partner, Draper Goren Holm
- Ting Peng, Chief Communications Officer, Cointelegraph China

09:40 – 10:00
20 Minutes

Fireside Chat

How can DeFi projects attract investors? A global and regional perspective.

- Saeed Hareb Al Darmaki, Managing Director, Alphabit Digital Currency Fund
- Bijan Alizadeh, Managing Partner, Phoenix VC

10:00 – 10:45
45 Minutes

Panel by the Co-Host of the Congress

TDeFi Cohort Panel Discussion

Moderator:

- Gaurav Dubey, Strategic Advisor, TDeFi

Panelists:

- Rishabh Gupta, COO, Mass DeFi
- Marcello Mari, CEO, SingularityDAO
- Firdosh Sheikh, CEO & Co-Founder, DRIFE
- Aleksei Kopievskii, CEO & Co-Founder, DeFi Pie
- Ritam Gupta, CEO, DeFi11

10:45 – 10:55
10 Minutes

Presentation

Mrinal Manohar, CEO, CasperLabs

10:55 – 11:10
15 Minutes

Presentation

A Hybrid Digital Payment Service from Georgia through joint Fiat currencies & Cryptocurrencies

- David Ebralidze, General Manager, 5 Xitum LLC
- Cato Kevin Ochi, Senior Advisor, 5 Xitum LLC

11:10 – 11:20
10 Minutes

Presentation

Your Access to the Next Financial Revolution

Olivier Francois Roussy Newton, Co-Founder, DeFi Holdings

11:20 – 11:30
10 Minutes

Presentation

Taking DeFi Mainstream

Denko Mancheski, CEO, Reef Finance

11:30 – 11:40
10 Minutes

Presentation

Undercollateralized secured loans to buy Crypto Assets

David Vincent, CFO, Lendefi

11:40 – 11:50
10 Minutes

Presentation

Truly Free Freelancing

The DeFi powered, commission-free, P2P self-governing DAO that matches skilled freelancers to job postings worldwide.

Mahadev Vasireddy, CEO, Freela

11:50 – 12:15
25 Minutes

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Panel Discussion - 60 Minutes

DeFi Growth and Challenges

Moderator:

- *Pavel Kravchenko, CEO, Distributed Lab*

Panelists:

- *Anthony Khamse, CEO, Golden Algorithm Technologies*

- *Amadeo Brands, Partner & CTO, DeFi Capital*

- *Talal Tabbaa, COO, Tranche.Finance*

- *Serge Lubkin, Marketing Lead, Hedget*

15:15 – 15:25
10 Minutes

Presentation

DeFi & Liquidity Farming

Sergei Khitrov, Founder, Listing.Help & Jets.Capital

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*Minister of State for Science
& Technology of Japan*



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COO
Mass DeFi



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DeFi11



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Managing Director,
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Founder of Listing.Help
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COO,
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Founder, Commercial
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PARTIAL LIST OF COMPANIES WHO ATTENDED

5Xitum LLC	Founder
A159 Capital	Managing Partner
ABEY Foundation	Head of Research
Abu Dhabi Police Telecom Department	Head of Telecommunications
Alphabit Digital Currency Fund	Managing Director
Aman Insurance	CEO
Anchor Equity Partners	Director
Arkham Investments	Chairman
Asas Capital	Managing Director
Avantas Tech Accelerator	Managing Director
Azure Capital	Managing Director
Binance	Director, Business & Ecosystem Development
CasperLabs	CEO
Coinstelegram	CEO
Consensus Capital	Chairman
CV VC	Director
DeFi Capital	Partner & CTO
DeFi Pie	CEO & Co-Founder
DeFi11	CEO
Distributed Lab	CEO
Draper Goren Holm	Founding Partner
Draper Walled Garden	CEO
Drife	CEO & Co-Founder
Dubai Cultiv8 Investments Limited	CEO
Elektron Ventures	CEO
Enabling Future	Founding Partner
ENOC	Group IT Director

Etisalat	VP - IT Strategy
Euphoria Capital Partners	CEO
Fincasa Ventures	CEO
Forte Securities	Global Head - Legal & Compliance
Freela	CEO
Global Gateway Enterprise	CEO
Golden Algorithm Technologies	CEO
Greenstone Equity Partners	VP
GRIP Investments	Director of Partnerships
Growmore Group	Chief Investment Officer
Hedget	Marketing Lead
Hong Kong Emerging Technologies Venture Fund	Founder & Operating Partner
Inacta	Business Development - MEA
IOP Capital	Executive Director
Jets Capital & Listing.Help	Founder
KING's Inc.	Founder
Lead Ventures	Group CEO & Senior Advisor
Lendefi	CEO
London Blockchain Foundation	Founding Member
Mass DeFi	COO
Nexo	Founding Member
Niko Technologies	Founder, Commercial & IT Director
O1ex	Founder & CEO
Olymp Capital	Co-Founder & CEO
Phoenix VC	Partner
PIMCO	Senior Portfolio Manager
Pimilico Partners	Co-Founder
Qchain	CTO
Reef Finance	CEO

Ripple	Director
Ritossa Family Office	Chairman
Sand Spring Partners	Founder & CEO
SASCO Holdings	COO
Seed South Capital	General Partner
Sharjah Research, Technology & Innovation Park	Director of Digital Transformation
Sharjah Research, Technology & Innovation Park	CEO
SingularityDAO	CEO
Smart Dubai	Director
SWIC Digital Gateway AG	Founder
Tawreeq Holding	Group CEO
Tezos Foundation	Managing Director
Thompson Family Office	Advisor
Titan Advisory	Founder & CEO
Tranche.Finance & Jibrel	COO
Triskelion VC	Managing Director
Tsang Group	Chairman
Two Prime	Managing Director
UAE Financial Market Association	Chairman
Velas Network AG	Founder & CEO

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The event was wonderful and very well located. The environment created for networking was very appropriate and mainly the room to talk directly with the projects & have direct contact with their representatives and identify common points of business.

I want to congratulate the Congress team, a great organization and a fantastic team with the humanized service with the guests and the projects.

Bruno Contardi
Head of Exchange Acceleration Program
INBlockchain



I had the pleasure to attend and network with high professional investors. I am happy about how the event went.

Dr. Adel Hubail
Chief Executive Officer
Global Gateway Enterprise



I had a great time at the event. Great organization & great company. The speakers were fun and attendees were of very high quality.

Graham Leach
Partner
Hong Kong Emerging Technologies Venture Fund



I would like to thank Agora Group for the organisation of the event which was very useful to us.

Simon Buchi
CTO
SWIC Digital Gateway AG



It has been an enormous pleasure to speak at the Global Blockchain Congress in Dubai this February.

Thank you AgoraGroup , Hadi Malaeb and your wonderful team, for bringing together participants with valuable insights, important experiences and shining eyes.

Kristina Lucrezia Cornèr
Managing Editor
Cointelegraph



Thank you Agora Group for your support! Looking forward to taking part in future events.

Talal Tabbaa
COO
Tranche.Finance



It was surely one of a kind experience as a young entrepreneur. Would suggest anyone in my shoes to make sure they attend the upcoming events by this Agora team.

Mahadev Vasireddy
CEO
Freela



In the middle of the pandemic, the Global Blockchain and DeFi congress proved to be a boon for the Blockchain industry. I appreciate the event format of bringing Projects, Investors, & Regulators together to create partnerships that can potentially change the landscape. I am looking forward to participate in the future events organised by Agora and TDeFi.

Rishabh Gupta
COO
Mass DeFi



It's second edition I'm attending as a speaker and every time it's great to be reunited with familiar faces from the crypto space from every region of the world. This time it was even better because of the current world situation, thanks to Agora we have been able to do business as usual after a year locked somewhere.

Christophe De Courson
CEO
Co-Founder



Awesome days in Dubai. Agora's event provided us with the possibility to meet new partners, & to talk with the smartest people in the DeFi space. Nothing negative about the event, & looking forward to attend the next edition!

Aleksei Kopievskii
CEO & Co-Founder
DeFi Pie



The event organized by Agora consisted of high-quality speakers, investors and audience. All the safety measures were taken too during these times of pandemic. The communication with the organisation team ran extremely smooth and professional. I would like to thank Agora for the entire setup.

Shirly Valge
COO
Velas Network AG



The 6th Global Blockchain Congress in Dubai was a great opportunity for Draper Goren Holm to meet startups and gain exposure to investors. We're looking forward to attending future Agora events.

Josef Holm
Founding Partner
Draper Goren Holm



The Global Blockchain and DeFi Congress events set the gold standard in investors conferences. From the caliber of the speakers & panelists to the white-glove service provided by the organizers; any investor, project or thought leader in the space should strongly consider participation. Meetings were tailored exactly to our needs and the partnerships we formed from the events are invaluable. We will regularly be attending all of these events moving forward. Thanks again to Hadi, Rim and the rest of the Agora Group team!

Clifford Sarkin
COO
CasperLabs



How refreshing to be able to meet, in an extremely well organized and safety-driven event, more than 200 Blockchain and DeFi professionals from all over the world at the 6th edition of the Global Blockchain Congress and the Inaugural Global DeFi Congress hosted by Agora on Feb 9th and 10th in Dubai, UAE.

Way to go AgoraGroup team and Kuddos for pulling off a great event with enriching content, world-class speakers, top notch investors and incredible Blockchain and DeFi projects while keeping everyone safe and healthy.

Mohamed Al Banna
Group CEO & Managing Director
Lead Ventures



The Global Blockchain Congress and the Global DeFi Congress offer a very unique and customized format where investors get to meet with projects one to one. We find this format very effective in identifying potential investment opportunities. I really enjoy attending Agora's events and will continue to do so in the future.

Saeed Hareb Al Darmaki
Managing Director
Alphabit Digital Currency Fund



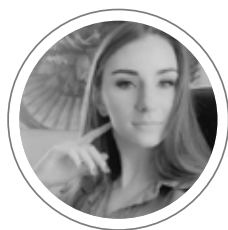
This Global Blockchain Congress was high-spirited and lively and received a lot of energy in the atmosphere where the world economy stopped in Corona. Agora's staff were also smart and attentive to every detail.

Keiko Koguma
Representative Director
KING's Inc.



We love the format of the Global Blockchain and Global DeFi Congress. The meetings with the projects are well organised and they are very effective in identifying investment opportunities. We are in talks with many projects that we have met at the event and we look forward to attending the next edition.

Bijan Alizadeh
Managing Partner
Phoenix VC



We want to thank you for such a well-organized event, everything was great. It is a good experience to meet people who are in the same sphere, we found a lot of interesting connections for us. I don't know how you managed to organize an offline congress these days, but it was great! Thank you!

Kateryna Nekrashevych
Senior Product Manager
Niko Technologies



The 6th edition Global Blockchain & DeFi Congress organized by Agora Group was a great opportunity for us to meet with great startups. We were very impressed with the quality of the presentations and discussions. The format of the pre scheduled meetings is very efficient and we met some interesting companies with whom we are in discussion for funding. We are looking forward to attending future editions and see this as one of the must attend events in the region.

Jack Smies
Executive Director
IOP Capital



I really enjoyed the Global Blockchain Congress - it was good to see people in person again and to share our ideas. There were many motivated companies all trying to pioneer and build in this new DeFi space. I would recommend going to an Agora event to network and also meet interesting startups.

Amadeo Brands
Partner & CTO
DeFi Capital



It was a great pleasure working with Agora Group towards our endeavor in finding our growth partners at Aqilliz. They go the extra mile in finding the right partners and are thoroughly professional in providing a seamless support all through the event. We benefited a lot from this.

Gowthaman Ragothaman
Chief Executive Officer
Aqilliz



It was our pleasure to attend the 6th edition of the Global Blockchain Congress and inaugural DeFi Congress hosted by Agora Group. It was a very successful event! Thank you for the great Organization & congratulations again to the Agora team for their excellent work.

HE Laila Rahhal El Atfani
Founder & President
Business Gate

AGORA'S SERVICES



CONFERENCES



PRIVATE INVESTORS MEETINGS



MARKET EXPANSION SUPPORT



MARKET RESEARCH

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2021

3rd Annual

Gulf Congress On Cybersecurity

April 11th, 2021 | Dubai, UAE

1st Annual

Legal Disrupters Congress

May 31st, 2021 | Dubai, UAE

7th Edition

The Global Blockchain & DeFi Congress

June 21st & 22nd, 2021 | Dubai, UAE

3rd Annual

Healthcare Disrupters Congress

September, 2021 | Dubai, UAE

Looking forward to seeing you again!



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