



# BLACKSBURG BLOCKCHAIN SYMPOSIUM

**04.20.18**  
8:00AM-3:00 PM

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## “THE PROMISE AND PERIL OF DISRUPTING THE TRUST BUSINESS”

Blockchain technology is hailed (and feared) as the most transformative technology since the internet. But does it provide us with more resilient alternatives to our existing institutions? What are the social consequences of this new “tech-topia”? What about its dystopian counterpart? Come to the first-ever Blackburg Blockchain Symposium, hosted by the **Global Forum on Urban and Regional Resilience at Virginia Tech**, on April 20th and add your voice to the growing conversation!

**Panel 1:** Decentralization – Generating Trust Without Authority

**Panel 2:** Disruption – Impacts on Industries and Institutions

**Panel 3:** Blackburg – Genius Loci

**Panel 4:** Blockchain – Promise and Peril



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