

CBDCs & Stablecoins

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Lecturer's Background



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Celo is an open platform that makes financial tools accessible to anyone with a mobile phone





Key Attributes of Celo



FAST & LIGHT TRANSACTIONS

Enabling instantaneous payments with minimal transaction costs



PROGRAMMABLE (full EVM Compatibility)

Works with a wide variety of smart contracts



USER-CENTRIC DESIGN

Improving user experience through innovative technology



CROSS-CHAIN INTEROPERABILITY

Building bridges for seamless cross-chain functionality



FINANCIAL INCLUSION

Access to additional financial tools and services

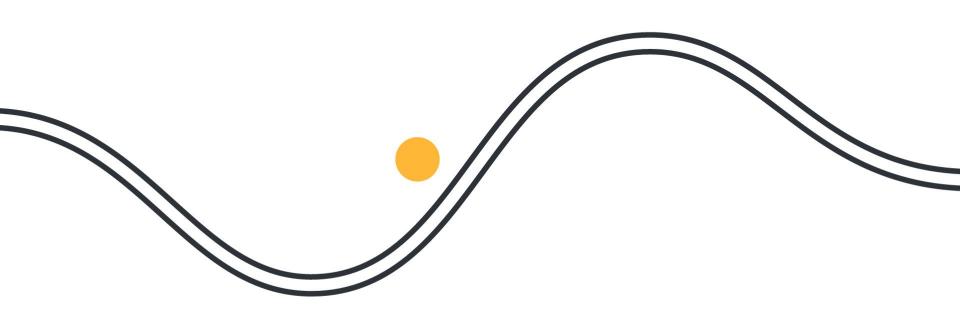


CARBON NEGATIVE

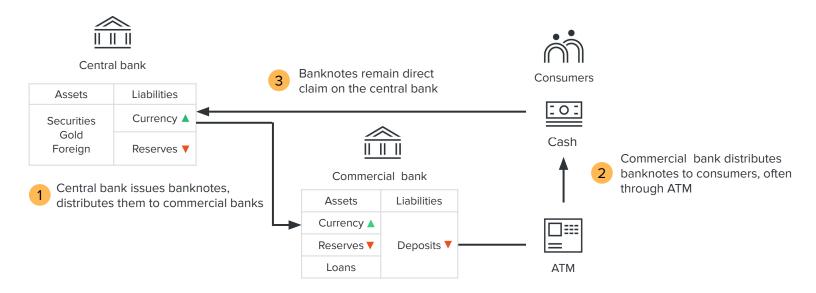
Celo is the first carbon negative blockchain



Understanding the Current System



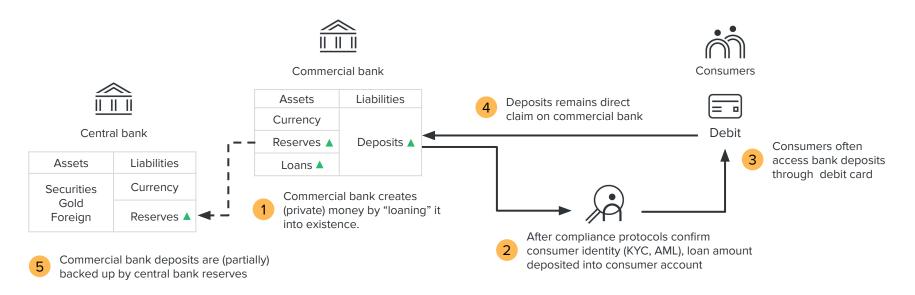
Central Bank Money



Note $(\ \ \ \ \)$ Central bank debits commercial bank's reserve account with the central bank to pay for banknotes, thus overall reserves decline. Additionally, commercial bank debits consumer's deposit account to pay for banknotes obtained through ATM. Decline in reserves is offset by $(\ \)$ increase of currency in circulation. Furthermore, commercial bank holdings of currency as an asset increases, insofar as they do not distribute all of the currency received from the central bank onto their customers.



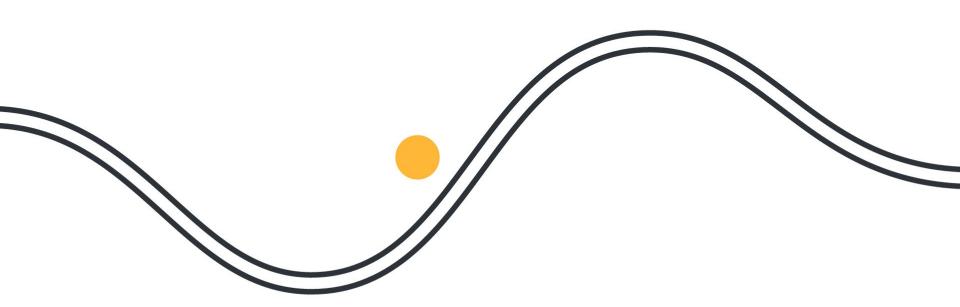
Commercial Bank Money



Note (A) The issuance of loans by the commercial bank increases loan assets for the bank, and also increases deposit liabilities, as the funds being loaned are deposited into the consumer's account with the commercial bank. Additionally, commercial banks typically have to hold a certain percentage of their deposits as reserves with the central bank, so an increase in deposits will also require an increase in reserves held at the central bank.



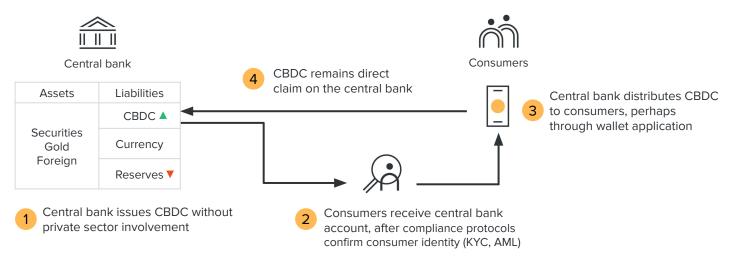
Defining CBDCs



According to the BIS...

Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) is a **digital** payment instrument, denominated in the **national unit of account**, that is a **direct liability** of the central bank.

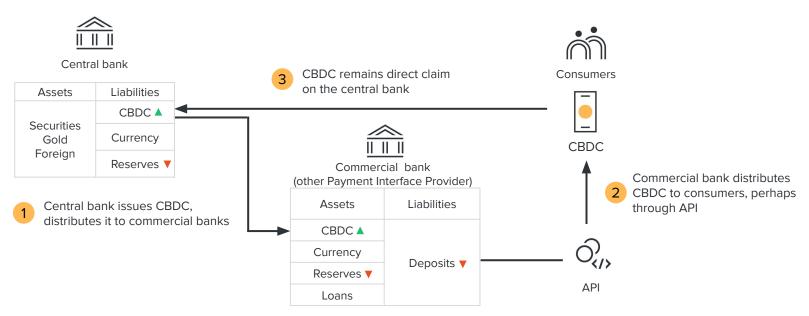
Direct CBDC



Note (\triangledown) Central bank debits consumer's reserve account with the central bank to pay for CBDC, thus overall reserves decline. Decline in reserves is offset by (\triangle) increase of CBDC in circulation.



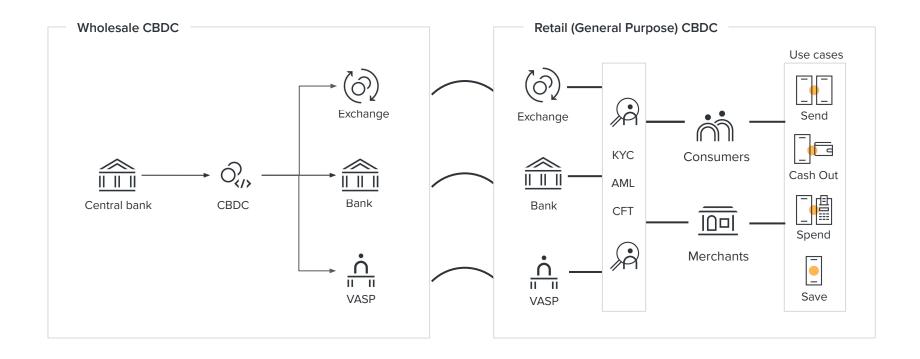
Hybrid CBDC



Note (v) Central bank debits commercial bank's reserve account with the central bank to pay for CBDC, thus overall reserves decline. Additionally, commercial bank debits consumer's deposit account to pay for CBDC obtained through API. Decline in reserves is offset by (A) increase of CBDC.

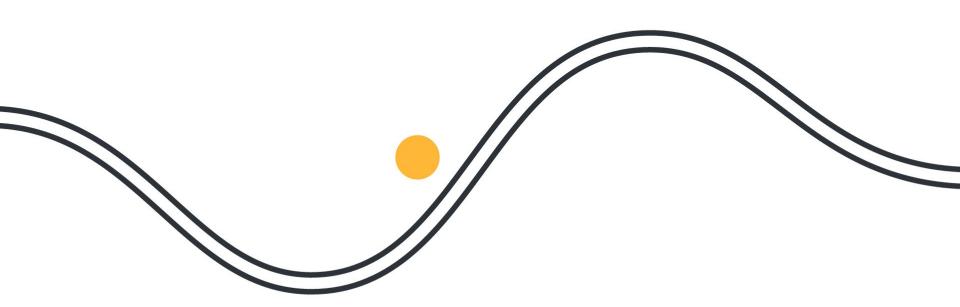


Versions of CBDC

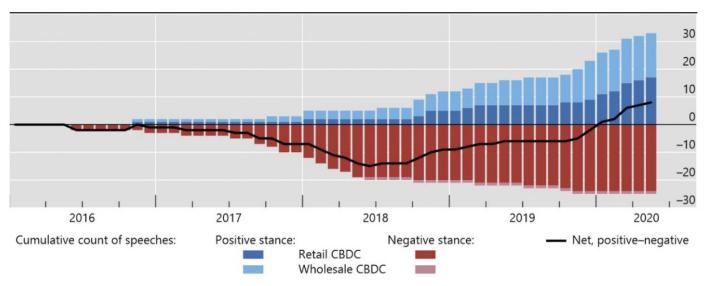




Current State of CBDCs



CBDC commentary turns positive

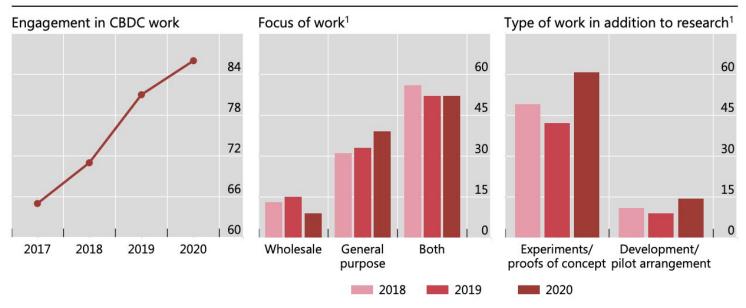


Search on keywords "CBDC", "digital currency" and "digital money". The classification is based on the authors' judgment. The score takes a value of –1 if the speech stance was clearly negative or in case it was explicitly said that there was no specific plan at present to issue digital currencies. It takes a value of +1 if the speech stance was clearly positive or a project/pilot was launched or was in the pipeline. Other speeches (not displayed) have been classified as neutral.

Sources: centralbanking.com; Central bankers' speeches; central banks' websites; authors' calculations.



CBDC interest continues to grow

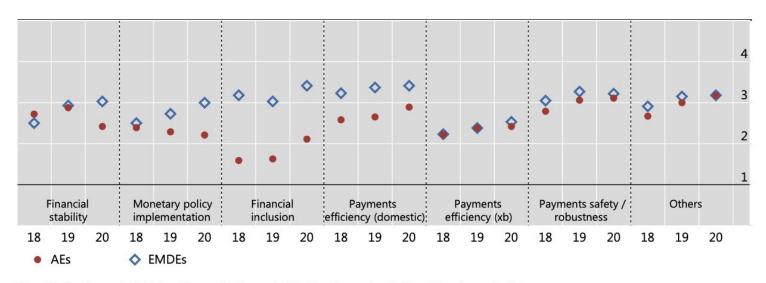


¹ Share of respondents conducting work on CBDC.

Source: BIS central bank survey on CBDCs.



Motivations for Retail CBDC



(1) = "Not so important"; (2) = "Somewhat important"; (3) = "Important"; (4) = "Very important".

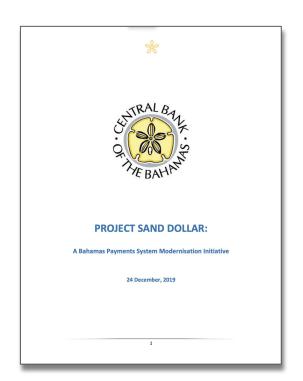
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Examples of CBDCs

Progress of Research & Development of E-CNY in China

Working Group on E-CNY Research and Development of the People's Bank of China July, 2021

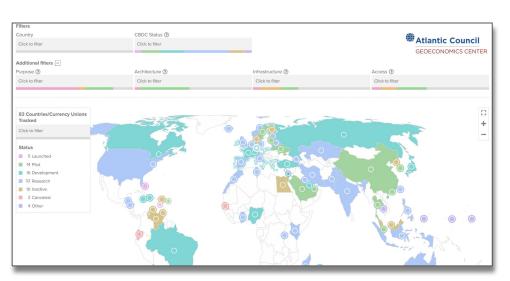




Tracking CBDCs



cbdctracker.org



https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/cbdctracker/



Important Research



Bank for International Settlements



International Monetary Fund



World Bank



World Economic Forum



G7 Working Group on Stablecoins



Center for Latin American Monetary Studies



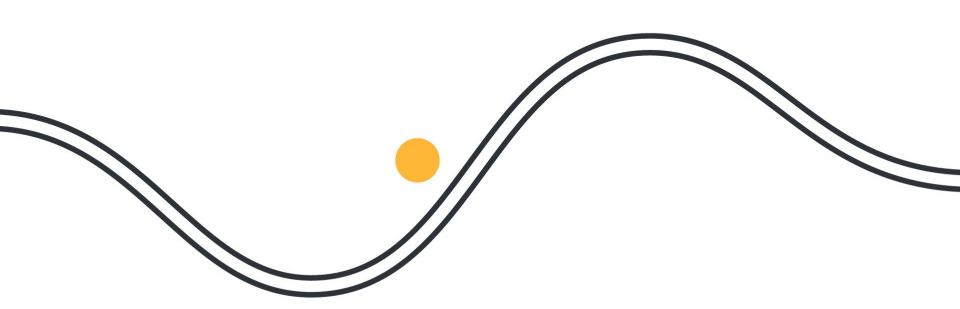
Official Monetary and Financial Institutions Forum



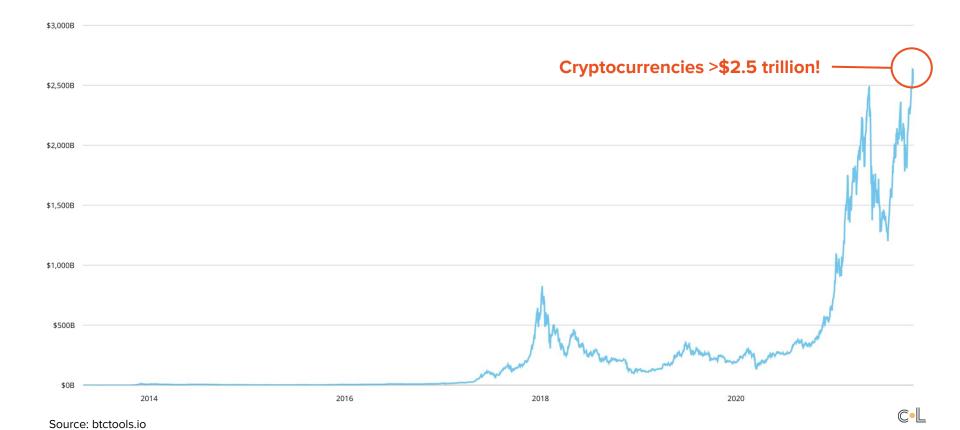
bank research



Stablecoin Technology



Cryptocurrency Market Cap



Cryptocurrencies impractical as medium of exchange



Credit: Photos.com

Average price for a cup of coffee in the US:

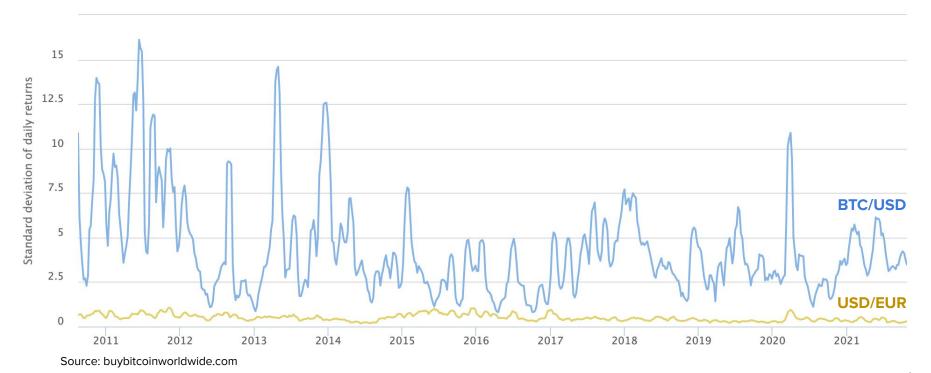
- U.S. Dollars = \$3.77
- Bitcoin = 0.00006 BTC
- Ethereum = 0.0009 ETH
- Litecoin = 0.019 LTC

Note: Exchange rates as of October 25, 2021



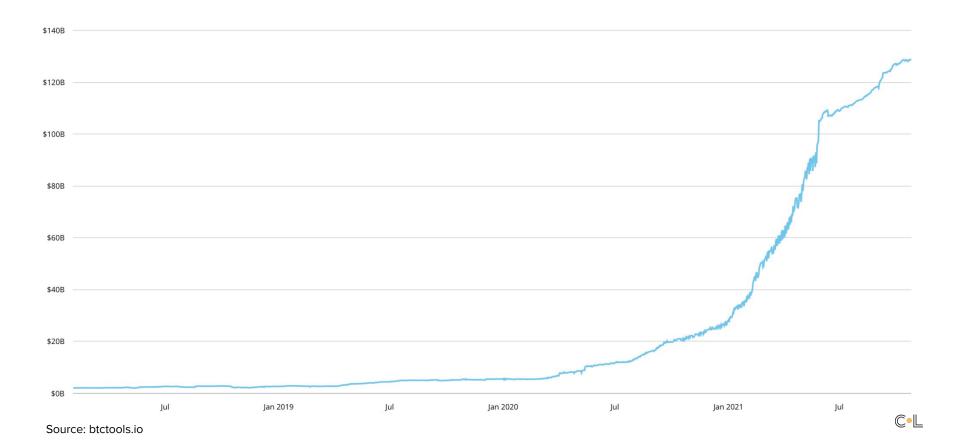
Cryptocurrencies also highly volatile

30-day price volatility





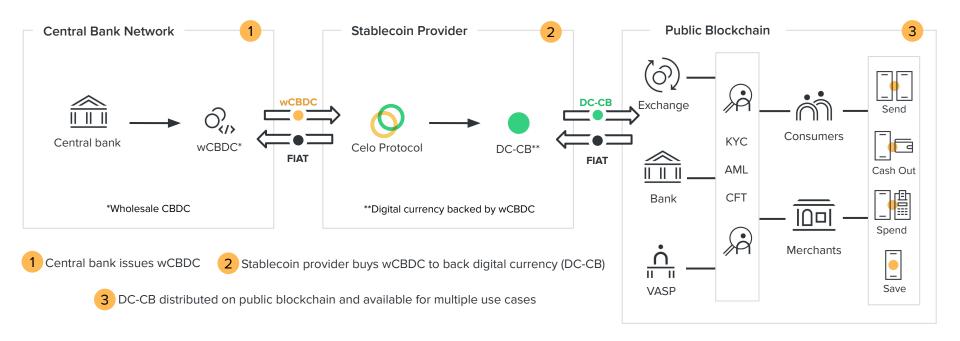
Stablecoin Market Cap



Classification of Stablecoins by Stability Mechanism

Туре	Collateral	Example	Governance	Transparency	Stability	Risks
Fiat / Commodity Collateralized	Fiat / Commodities, Off-chain	tether USD Coin	Centralized, regulated	Opaque, requires audits on collateral and counterparty	Central entity storing collateral	Counterparty, Liquidity, Demand
Crypto Collateralized	Crypto, On-chain		Decentralized	Transparent	Crypto collateral	Crypto, Demand
Seigniorage Share	Seigniorage Coin, On-chain	6 5	Decentralized	Transparent	Seigniorage asset	Crypto, Demand
Algorithmic / Crypto Collateralized Seigniorage Share Hybrid	Seigniorage-style protocol with crypto-reserve, On-chain	€ \$	Decentralized	Transparent	Seigniorage asset	Crypto, Demand

Combining CBDCs and Stablecoins









Thanks for your time.

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