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## Bakkt's Much-Anticipated Bitcoin Futures Trading Platform Goes Live

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Bakkt's physically settled Bitcoin (BTC (<https://cointelegraph.com/bitcoin-price-index>)) futures trading is now live for trading on the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE).

## New option for traders

As of 8 PM EST on Sept. 22 (00:00 UTC Sept. 23), Bakkt's much-anticipated BTC futures trading (<https://www.theice.com/products/72035464/Bakkt-Bitcoin-USD-Monthly-Futures-Contract>) has launched. The platform is the first of its kind to receive approval from United States regulators and is a product of ICE, the operator of the New York Stock Exchange.

While news of Bakkt's launch and intention to facilitate BTC futures trading broke (<https://cointelegraph.com/news/nyse-operator-announces-new-global-digital-assets-platform-plans-bitcoin-futures-launch>) over a year ago, the platform itself has seen numerous delays (<https://cointelegraph.com/news/bakkt-delay-due-to-cftc-concerns-over-its-planned-custody-of-clients-bitcoin-wsj>) owing to regulatory concerns. On Aug. 16 of this year, Bakkt announced (<https://cointelegraph.com/news/bakkt-announces-sept-23-launch-of-futures-and-custody-platform-in-us>) that the company had secured approval from the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC (<https://cointelegraph.com/tags/cftc>)) and had scheduled today as the first day of trading.

## What's new?

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The platform offers daily and monthly trading of physically settled Bitcoin futures, to be processed through Bakkt's Bitcoin Warehouse, which began processing (https://cointelegraph.com/news/bakkt-warehouse-launches-deposits-and-withdrawals-as-planned) withdrawals and deposits at the beginning of September. Days later, Bakkt announced that they had secured (https://cointelegraph.com/news/bitcoin-

## Significance for the crypto world

Noted crypto analyst Tom Lee tweeted (<https://cointelegraph.com/news/tom-lee-bakkt-to-improve-trust-with-institutions-to-crypto-in-3-days>) on Sept. 19 that:

*"I am very positive on Bakkt and its ability to improve trust with institutions to crypto."*

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The real surprise about Bakkt is it won't have any influence on crypto price whatsoever. A full year of worthless hype

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