***Tech corner***

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| *Token* | *Launch* | *Mkt Cap* | *Description* |
| [Bitcoin](https://bitcoin.org/en/) | Jan 2009 | $118.71bn | Peer-to-peer global payment system. First decentralized digital currency where all transactions are verified by network nodes through cryptography and recorded on the public distributed ledger, called blockchain. |
| [Ethereum](https://www.ethereum.org) | Jul 2015 | $39.14bn | Operating system featuring smart contract functionality. Currently the most popular platform for issuance of ICOs. Functions as a global computer where ETH is exchange for the computations performed. |
| [Ripple](https://ripple.com) | 2012 | $20.09bn | Real-time gross settlement system, currency exchange and remittance network. Being adopted by banks and payment networks as settlement infrastructure technology. |
| [Bitcoin Cash](https://www.bitcoincash.org) | Aug 2017 | $11.73bn | Peer-to-peer cryptocurrency with larger block size (4MB instead of 1MB). It is a fork from Bitcoin. |
| [Litecoin](https://litecoin.org) | Oct 2011 | $6.5bn | Peer-to-peer cryptocurrency with shorter block times (2.5 minutes instead of 10). It is a fork from Bitcoin. |
| [EOS](https://eos.io) | Jun 2017 | $4.58bn | Operating system via blockchain architecture designed to enable vertical and horizontal scaling of decentralized applications. |
| [Cardano](https://www.cardano.org/en/home/) | Sept 2017 | $4.06bn | Distributed computing platform that aims to run smart contracts, decentralized applications, side chains, multi-party computation and metadata. |
| [Stellar](https://www.stellar.org) | 2014 | $3.85bn | Open-source protocol for exchanging money. Payment platform for micropayments and reduced cost of remittances. It is a fork from Ripple. |
| [NEO](https://neo.org) | Feb 2014 | $3.27bn | Blockchain platform and cryptocurrency which enables the development of digital asset and smart contracts in China. |
| [Iota](https://iota.org) | Jun 2014 | $3.00bn | Cryptocurrency designed for Internet of Things, it enables secure sale and sharing of data streams for micropayments. It is not a blockchain but a Tangle which minimizes cost of energy from mining. |