Project: Currency Exchange

This project is a backend system for managing currency exchange rates. It provides APIs for CRUD operations, currency conversion, and historical rate management, with asynchronous task handling using Celery.

Features

- Currency Management: CRUD operations for currencies.
- Exchange Rate Management: Fetch and manage exchange rates dynamically.
- **Currency Conversion**: Real-time conversion with caching support.
- Historical Rate Management: Fetch historical exchange rates using external APIs.
- Asynchronous Processing: Celery integration for background tasks.
- **Dockerized Deployment**: Run the project with Docker Compose.

Setup Instructions

Using Docker

- 1. Build and start the services:
- 2. docker-compose up --build
- 3. Access the application:
 - o App: http://localhost:8000
 - o Admin: http://localhost:8000/admin
- 4. Start a Celery worker:
- 5. docker-compose exec celery celery -A mycurrency worker --loglevel=info

Without Docker

- 1. Clone the repository or extract the zip file.
- 2. Create a virtual environment and install dependencies:
- 3. python -m venv venv
- 4. source venv/bin/activate # On Windows: venv\\Scripts\\activate
- 5. pip install -r requirements.txt
- 6. Set up environment variables for sensitive data:
- 7. export CURRENCYBEACON_API_KEY=your_api_key

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- 8. Run migrations and start the server:
- 9. python manage.py migrate
- 10. python manage.py runserver
- 11. Access the admin interface at /admin (create a superuser using python manage.py createsuperuser).

API Endpoints

Endpoint	HTTP Method	Description
/api/currency/	GET	List all currencies.
/api/currency/	POST	Create a new currency.
/api/currency/ <int:pk>/</int:pk>	GET	Retrieve details of a specific currency by ID.
/api/currency/ <int:pk>/</int:pk>	PUT/PATCH	Update a specific currency by ID.
/api/currency/ <int:pk>/</int:pk>	DELETE	Delete a specific currency by ID.
/api/exchange-rate/	GET	Fetch exchange rates by source currency and date range.
/api/convert/	GET	Convert an amount between two currencies.

Example Requests

- 1. Fetch Exchange Rates
- 2. GET /api/exchange-rate/?source_currency=USD&date_from=2023-01-01&date_to=2023-01-31
- 3. Convert Currency
- 4. GET /api/convert/?source_currency=USD&target_currency=EUR&amount=100

File Structure and Functions

Core Application Files

File	Purpose		
models.py	Defines database models (Currency and CurrencyExchangeRate).		
serializers.py Serializes models into JSON and validates API inputs.			
views.py	Implements API endpoints for currency management, exchange rate retrieval, and conversion.		

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File	Purpose
urls.py	Maps URLs to views for routing.
tasks.py	Defines asynchronous tasks for fetching historical rates.
adapters.py	Handles integration with external APIs (e.g., CurrencyBeacon) for exchange rate data.
admin.py	Customizes the admin interface for managing currencies and exchange rates.
celery.py	Configures Celery for task queue handling.

Supporting Files

File	Purpose
.gitignore	Specifies files and directories to ignore in version control.
Dockerfile	Defines the environment for running the Django app in Docker.
docker- compose.yml	Orchestrates multiple services, including the Django app, Redis, and Celery workers.
manage.py	Entry point for running Django commands.
README.md	Documentation for setup, usage, and project details.

Environment Variables

Variable	Description
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 $\hbox{\tt CURRENCYBEACON_API_KEY\ API\ key\ for\ the\ CurrencyBeacon\ provider}.$

SECRET_KEY Django secret key for encryption.