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BLOCKCHAIN IN THE BANKING SECTOR

ABSTRACT

Banks have been around for decades, serving as a facilitator for a variety of economic and financial operations such as lending, trade, transaction settlement, payment processing, and so on. However, the industry's length has caused it to become stagnant, making it slow-moving to adapt to change.

Currently, the banking industry is progressing at a consistent rate due to the continuous demand, but it is too sluggish to innovate. For example, the industry still requires a significant amount of paperwork, has security concerns, and has several time-consuming and costly processes in place. Now that we've established why banking systems need to change, it's time to look into the application of blockchain in the banking business.

INTRODUCTION TO BLOCKCHAIN

From financial transactions to how money is generated in the private sector, blockchain is altering everything. Will the conventional banking business accept or be supplanted by new technology?

Over the last decade, blockchain technology has garnered a lot of attention, moving beyond the plaudits of minority Bitcoin fans and into the mainstream debate of financial specialists and investors.

A blockchain is a distributed ledger of records or public databases that are publicly shared among many users and generate an immutable record of their transactions. These transactions are cryptographically encrypted to prevent tampering.

Blockchain has the ability to completely transform the banking system, making it more transparent, efficient, safe, and cost-effective.

BLOCKCHAIN IN BANKING INDUSTRY

Here are several ways how we can help banks integrate blockchain into the banking systems and transform the way they operate:

Accelerating International Transactions

Blockchain has the potential to make international transfers and monetary transactions more efficient, cost-effective, transparent, and secure. Currently, money transfers from one nation to another can take several days and include a number of third parties.

Each of these parties receives a piece of the transaction. This implies that the sender may have lost a large sum of money by the time the money arrives at its destination. Blockchain

technology, for both international enterprises and consumers, provides faster and easier peer-to-peer transactions that are more effective, for example, using a Bitcoin wallet.

Blockchain is simply a digital ledger that records transactions between two parties in an unalterable manner. Each transaction is validated by computers on a network before it is added to the blockchain and cannot be modified or tampered with once finished.

Easing up Settlements and Clearances

Blockchain has the potential to enable banks to settle transactions directly and trace them more effectively than older techniques such as SWIFT. Because of the way our financial system is set up, a regular bank transfer takes a few days to settle.

Many banks have logistical challenges when it comes to moving money throughout the world. Before reaching its destination, a simple bank transfer must transit through a complicated network of middlemen, such as custodial services. Bank accounts must be reconciled throughout the global financial system, which is comprised of a vast network of funds, asset managers, dealers, and other organizations.

Efficient KYC processes

Blockchain technology can assist in reducing the human labor and expense associated with KYC compliance. With KYC client information stored on a blockchain, the platform's decentralized structure allows any organizations that require KYC to access that information. According to Goldman Sachs, using blockchain for KYC might cut bank labor needs by 10%, resulting in yearly cost savings of up to $160 million.

High Security

The ability to pair payments with smart contracts enables banks to link various data points, follow pre-set criteria, or use data to traverse transactions requiring interdependencies. This enables institutions to conduct complicated transactions in a far more rapid and safe manner. There are numerous opportunities to use blockchain for better, more secure transactions, ranging from loan closing workflows to invoicing and supply chain financing.

Reducing Prevention

Blockchain can also aid in the elimination of fraud by creating a transparent audit trail. It also includes several redundancies, making it nearly hard to change any information that has been posted to this network.

Because the blockchain network is maintained by hundreds of computers, there is no centralized place from which hackers might attack the network and modify data without leaving any proof. This feature of blockchain makes it particularly relevant in the present global

environment of rampant cybercrime and massive ransomware attacks, which may compromise sensitive information and cause victims to lose hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Lending and Borrowing Made Easy

To underwrite loans, traditional financial institutions employ a credit reporting system. Thanks to blockchain, we may see the future of peer-to-peer lending, as well as faster and more secure loan procedures in general, and even complicated programmed loans that can mimic syndicated loan structures or mortgages.

To analyze risk, banks that handle loan applications use factors such as credit ratings, homeownership status, and debt-to-income ratio. To acquire all of that information, they'll require your credit report from specialist credit agencies.

No More Human Errors

According to several statistics, human mistakes in accounting, record-keeping, and reconciliation are among the primary causes of fraud. In terms of security operations, it is frequently an unintentional human error or plain neglect that has resulted in major cyber security vulnerabilities.

Blockchain uses an automated mechanism to record transactions that cannot be changed afterward. Many manual operations will be phased out by adopting this technology, decreasing human mistakes, enhancing efficiency, and limiting the effect of cyber risks.

Reduced Costs for Banks and Customers

Blockchain has the potential to drastically cut the cost of financial services while also improving product quality.

Today, financial institutions are seeking for methods to use this technology to overcome speed and cost issues. When using blockchain, some processes may be automated. The blockchain is a distributed database that is safe, transparent, and simple to use. These qualities enable the automation of several banking-related tasks (for example, payments or issuing loans).

IN CONCLUSION

Blockchain technology is gradually but steadily infiltrating the banking and financial services industries. It is also capable of altering the financial sector's overall security. Blockchain technology is poised to have a significant impact on how international transactions are carried out and digital assets are secured, from remittances to securities trading to cross-border payments.

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At Block Stack, we are a great combination of prowess and worldliness, striving to innovate the world with disruptive Web 3.0 solutions and consulting services. Our spirits aim to transform and navigate the next generations with advanced technologies that connect the dots across the globe.

Futuristic Ideas | State-of-the-Art Solutions | Decentralized Lives

Our Web 3.0-powered teams plan, design, and execute the agile solutions that enable businesses to deliver versatile, smooth, and innovative services to their consumers. We are continuously learning and implementing a cycle to transform the future - because we know the future is bigger than today.

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