



Bundesministerium
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Blockchain Strategy of the Federal Government

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Process of elaborating the Blockchain Strategy

- Workshops in the Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Energy (January and April 2018)
- Online consultation (February / March 2019) with appr. 160 participants
- Evaluation of the statements (April / May 2019)
- Definition of measures with the other ministries (May / June 2019)
- Approval of the strategy by the cabinet on 18th September 2019

Goals of the Blockchain Strategy

- Using the opportunities in blockchain technologie
- Mobilising its potential for the digital transformation
- Maintaining and expanding the German blockchain ecosystem
- Diffusing information and knowledge

Five areas of action to reach the goals

1. Securing stability and stimulating innovations: blockchain in the **finance sector**
2. Bringing innovations to maturity: advancing **projects and regulatory sandboxes**
3. Making investments possible: clear, reliable **framework conditions**
4. Applying technology: digitised **public-administration services**
5. Distributing information: **knowledge, networking and cooperation**

Ten principles guiding our actions

Advancing innovations

Giving an impetus to investments

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Strengthening sustainability

Making fair competition possible

Deepening the digital single market

Expanding international collaboration

Integrating the stakeholders

Guaranteeing IT security and data protection

Making provision for adaptations

Selected measures (1/2)

Round-table discussion on blockchain and data protection issues

- Goals: Applying existing guidelines, as used by data protection authorities, for actual practice in blockchain context and introducing proposals for additional guidelines that data protection authorities are to use
- Participants: Business representative, data protection authorities, representatives from the users' side and civil-society organisations
- Date: 30th January 2020

Selected measures(2/2)

Testing out the interoperability of secure digital identities for individuals in a funding project

- Goals: In regional showcase initiatives (close cooperation between municipalities and technology providers) ID-solutions shall reach critical mass for being broadly applied. Practical testing with use cases relevant in day-to-day life.
- Call for proposals online : www.digitale-technologien.de. Submission of proposals possible until 10th January 2020, 12 Uhr.

Thank you for your attention!