

## PURPOSE

This Working Group's primary objectives are to focus on the education and creation of thought leadership for ISSA members engaged in Digital Assets (DA) and Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT) and to create an early awareness of developments in this new market such as Decentralized Finance (DeFi) and Non-Fungible Tokens (NFT), including recommendations to ISSA members on how to approach it.

# Distributed Ledger Technology Working Group

Working Group Co-Chairs:

- Steve Everett, TMX Group
- Glen Fernandes, Euroclear

113 Working Group Members

59 ISSA Member Firms involved

The nature of DA and DLT solutions are constantly evolving in an immature marketplace. The Working Group's areas of focus include topics which would benefit from best practices, industry standardization and interoperability between participants. The topics are selected by the relative priority of the participating organisations but are approached from a Securities Services perspective.

**SCOPE** The current in scope topics include:

- Digital Asset Custody
- Podcast series on "ISSA Member Showcasing DLT Deployments"
- 2023 DLT in the Real World Survey

## DIGITAL ASSET CUSTODY

### Scope

To undertake an assessment of Digital Asset Custody (DAC) which will include:

- Setting out the existing global landscape
- Mapping how DAC fits into the crypto and digital asset landscape
- Understanding the main challenges and opportunities faced
- Assessing the different risks involved in DAC
- Highlighting the direction of travel for the industry

### Key Deliverables

A White Paper on DAC in conjunction with GDF and Deloitte

## DLT PODCAST SERIES

### Scope

To continue creating / publishing the "ISSA Member Showcasing DLT Deployments" podcast series

### Key Deliverables

Regular Podcasts on "DLT in the Real World" highlighting the successes (and challenges) of our members on deploying DLT solutions

## 2023 DLT IN THE REAL WORLD SURVEY

### Scope

To initiate and analyze the 2023 DLT in the Real World Survey with Value Exchange

### Key Deliverables

A report summarizing the key findings from the 2023 survey and highlighting the key changes since 2022