

2025 Blockchain Tax Conference

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Speaker Biographies

Noah Buxton - CEO, The Network Firm

Noah has more than 15 years of experience serving clients across complex tax, audit, legal, and regulatory compliance matters. Noah sets the strategy and oversees execution at The Network Firm, while continuing to serve clients directly and advance thought leadership and best practices for the e TJ /C2_0 1 Tf -0.003 Tc 0.003 Tw T* [<01 of the California Bar Association. He has actively served in the AICPA's Digital Assets Working Group since 2018 and is a former Steering Committee member for C4's Cryptocurrency Security Standard (CCSS). Additionally, Noah serves on The Digital Chamber (TDC) Executive Committee and leads its Accounting Staff. Noah holds a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) from the University of California, San Diego. Noah was Vice President, Tax and Cost Basis Operations & Abandoned Property Reporting at Charles Schwab.

Beatriz is a member of the IRS Advisory Council (IRSAC) and served on the Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee from 2014 to 2016

Beatriz holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Dominican University of California.

Shehan Chandrasekera - Head of Tax Strategy, CoinTracker

Shehan is one of the handful of CPAs in the country who is recognized as a subject matter expert on cryptocurrency taxation. He is the Head of Tax Strategy at CoinTracker, a Forbes Crypto Tax Analyst and a CPE instructor who has won multiple awards. Shehan is a renowned speaker who has done

Seoyoung Kim - Department Chair, Associate Professor of Finance, Santa Clara University

Seoyoung Kim is the Department Chair and Associate Professor of Finance at Santa Clara University, where she teaches Financial Engineering, Corporate Finance, and FinTech in the graduate business programs. Seoyoung is a • ê + ... ù è e ô î ù ± 2 í 2 è á specializations in • e ù structured products, risk management, and compensation/incentive alignment. Her expertise extends to crypto-assets, NFTs, and other blockchain-based DeFi protocols and blockchain-adjacent ventures –on which she has also consulted and written extensively, including her recent books: DeFi For Dummies and NFTs For Dummies.

Dr. Kim regularly gives workshops and seminars on cryptocurrencies, blockchain technology and analytics, DeFi applications and protocols, and smart contract design. Prior to joining SCU, Professor Kim held a faculty appointment at Purdue University. She holds a B.A. in Mathematics from Rice University and Ph.D. in Finance from Emory University.

Kristopher Klaich - Policy Director, The Digital Chamber

Kristopher is an entrepreneur/international development consultant-turned blockchain/digital asset professional, having worked in economic development and international security in the Middle East and Central/Southeast Asia. His travels to 90+ countries brought him face to face with the dearth of opportunities available to many simply by the lottery of birth and developed in him a joy for cultural exchange.

Beginning in early 2020 Kristopher became drawn into the digital asset universe and its potential + ô } ô + ù ù + í ... 2 ù ± ô + î \ à ù ô 2 í æ + ô ù } : è ô \ ù e : ù æ ô ù ô í X î ù uncensored and provide access to new forms of value and economic activity indiscriminately. He is fascinated both by the solutions it promises across nearly every industry in the world as well as its breathtaking acceleration of innovation exploding in a thousand vectors--this inspired him to obtain a Masters in Blockchain and Digital Currency.

Colby Mangels - TaxPolicy Advisor, OECD

Colby Mangels is a Tax Policy Advisor at the OECD's Global Forum on Transparency and Exchange of Information for Tax Purposes, focusing on the development and global implementation of the Crypto-Asset Reporting Framework and amendments to the Common Reporting Standard. Previously, Colby has also worked as a Policy Analyst at the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), where he helped design and draft the FATF's international anti-money laundering methodology on Virtual Assets and Virtual Asset Service Providers. Prior to joining the OECD, Colby worked for

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Taylor Reid - Retired Partner, Baker & McKenzie LLP

Taylor Reid is a recently retired International Tax Partner with Baker McKenzie, where he advised clients in the software,

30 years. He is a coauthor of the BNA Tax Management Portfolio on the Federal Taxation of Software and Digital Transactions, a contributor to Baker McKenzie's Crypto Boot Camp webinar series, and a frequent author and speaker on

Lawrence Zlatkin - Vice President, Tax, Coinbase

Lawrence Zlatkin is the Vice President, Tax at Coinbase, the leading cryptocurrency exchange in the US and a global market leader. He joined Coinbase in January 2020 and is an active proponent for clarity and dialogue in the tax regulation of the digital asset economy. Lawrence regularly participates in tax policy discussions globally regarding crypto and lectures