

# DUBAI

13<sup>th</sup> Edition

## GLOBAL BLOCKCHAIN CONGRESS

April 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Sofitel, the Palm - Dubai, UAE

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The GBC event was probably one of the best investor conferences I have been to. A great venue, great attendee list, and excellent management. We met about 10 high quality investor leads on a 1-to-1 basis, who were looking to deploy money, and had lots of other networking opportunities throughout the event and into the evening.

The management team was fantastic, and arranged a number of ad-hoc meetings for us. Every need was attended to, and staff were fun, friendly and focused on helping us to raise funds. Overall an excellent event, and couldn't recommend it enough. 5 stars!

**James Dunthorne** - Founder & CEO, *Neuron*

# Venue of the event - Sofitel, the Palm







# 13<sup>th</sup> Edition Global Blockchain Congress

The Global Blockchain Congress is a closed-door, by invitation only, exclusive event that connects, via pre-arranged and pre-scheduled one-on-one meetings, crypto projects that are raising funds with pre-qualified investors from all over the world.

The Gulf Cooperation Council region will be experiencing aggressive growth in 2024, according to the World Bank. This will set in motion a renewed increased in investment activities, following a global slowdown in 2023. Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are expected to lead the pack in startup funding and investments. The Global Blockchain Congress is a perfect platform for startups to meet, face to face, and one on one with the most active and engaging local, regional, and international investors.

The Global Blockchain Congress leverages the experience gained through the hosting of the first 12 editions of the event in Dubai to ensure maximum return on investment for all our sponsors.

## **This is not a conference nor an exhibition.**

This is an exclusive, closed-door, congress between investors and hand-picked Blockchain projects looking to raise funds.

It is the only event of its kind and it will bring together qualified investors (VCs, Private Equity Firms, Family Offices, Crypto Funds and High Networth Individuals) with Blockchain startups looking to raise funds.



## What makes the Global Blockchain Congress different?

- The event is not a conference or an exhibition, it is an investment platform.
- The entire event is focused on pre-arranged meetings between you and qualified investors of your choice.
- This format guarantees the best return on investment of your time and money.
- Qualified investors (Family Offices, VCs, Private Equities, Crypto Funds, etc) will meet with you to explore the opportunities of investing in your company.

- **100 Investors with a combined budget of over 5 Billion Dollars.**
- **Only 20 Blockchain Startups will be introduced to the Investors.**
- **Live Streaming of all pitches with more than 10 thousand viewers.**

## How does it work?



We bring the investors for you.



We qualify them for you.



We send you, 10 days prior to the event, a complete list of investors attending the event, including their company names, job titles, investment budget, and background info.



You choose the investors you want to have one-on-one meetings with during the event.



We arrange one-on-one meetings for you with the Investors of your choice & send you your personalized schedule before the event.



# This is how we qualify the investors

## The investors have all been qualified based on the following:



Each investor fills in a booking form that extracts important data for you: Their name and title, contact details, the name of the investment organization they represent, the type of investment organization they represent (VCs, Private Equity, Crypto Fund, Family Office, etc), their investment budget, the industries they invest in, their preferred mode of investment (token or equity) and their investment strategy (short-term or long-term focused).



They are the ultimate decision makers in the organization when it comes to investment decisions.



They are actively looking to invest in Blockchain Startups & Digital Assets.



They have a minimum investment budget of \$5 Million.




# Outlook on **Dubai 2024**

Dubai and the wider UAE have shown **remarkable vitality in early-stage investments**, outpacing their counterparts in the MENA region.

Reports reveal that during the initial quarter of 2023, the UAE secured an impressive \$150 million across 30 deals. This surge is mirrored in the region's digital economy, anticipated to rise to an astonishing \$140 billion by 2031, a monumental leap from the current \$38 billion, according to a report from the Dubai Chamber of Digital Economy.

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By Divisha Bhat | December 2, 2023



**Dubai to issue commercial licences to help AI and Web3 companies set up businesses**  
► Licences are 90% subsidised and will support the emirate's push to become a digital society



# Digital Assets And Crypto Infrastructure: How MENA Banks And Fintech Companies Can Tap Into An Opportunity Worth More Than US\$400 Billion

Analyzing the promise of digital assets and cryptocurrencies for the region's banks and fintechs, and -ultimately- for consumers everywhere.



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## Dubai's ascent to fintech, Web3 and AI dominance

While Hong Kong and Singapore compete for the top spot, Dubai is already shaping the future of fintech and Web3, writes Mohammad Alblooshi, chief executive officer of the DIFC Innovation Hub.



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## Dubai's web3 gaming sector gets a boost with Wemade collaboration

The collaboration is part of Crown Prince Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum's quest to make Dubai a global web3 gaming hub.



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## The Middle East aims to be the Web3 capital of the world

Experts say the region has learned from this experience and is now betting on the future of Web3 to take an early lead position, much as Silicon Valley was with Web2

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Sebastian Widmann Contributor

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# Program - Day 1: Thursday, April 25th, 2024

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| 08:00 - 09:00<br>60 Minutes | <b>Registration and Refreshments</b>   |
| 09:00 - 09:10<br>10 Minutes | <b>Opening Remarks - Welcome Note</b><br><i>Hadi Malaeb - Co-Founder &amp; CEO, Agora Group</i>  |
| 09:10 - 09:30<br>20 Minutes | <b>Keynote Opening Address</b>   |
| 09:30 - 10:00<br>30 Minutes | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>The UAE - International Hub for Blockchain</b><br>VARA, Security and Commodities Authority, DIFC, ADGM, DMCC and now RAK DAO – there is no shortage or regulatory bodies for the blockchain industry in the UAE. Is this an advantage? Why is the UAE such an attractive place for innovators and entrepreneurs?<br><b>Moderator:</b><br>- Alex Mukhin - Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Cryptomeria Capital<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>- Alex Chehade - General Manager, Binance<br>- Hubertus Thonhauser - Chairman, Ghaf Capital Partners<br>- Kamal Youssefi - President of the Board, The Hashgraph Association<br>- Saqr Ereiqat - Chief Executive Officer, TDMM |
| 10:00 - 10:20<br>20 Minutes | <b>Title Sponsor Presentation</b>  |
| 10:20 - 10:30<br>20 Minutes | <b>Presentation</b>  |
| 10:30 - 10:40<br>10 Minutes | <b>Presentation</b>  |
| 10:40 - 10:50<br>10 Minutes | <b>Presentation</b>  |

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| 10:50 - 11:00<br>10 Minutes | <b>Presentation</b>  |
| 11:00 - 11:10<br>10 Minutes | <b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking Session</b>   |
| 11:10 - 13:10<br>2 Hours    | Meeting 1 - 15 Minutes    Meeting 5 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 2 - 15 Minutes    Meeting 6 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 3 - 15 Minutes    Meeting 7 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 4 - 15 Minutes    Meeting 8 - 15 Minutes   |
| 13:10 - 14:00<br>50 Minutes | <b>Prayer Break &amp; Lunch</b>  |
| 14:00 - 14:30<br>30 Minutes | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>Digital Assets Market: ETFs, Halving &amp; Other Major Occurrences are Poised to Shape 2024</b><br>What can we expect in the first quarter of the year and how would that impact the industry.<br><b>Moderator:</b><br>- Nikita Sachdev - CEO & Founder, Luna Media Corporation<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>- Amit Mehra - Partner, Borderless Capital<br>- Diana Biggs - Partner, 1kx<br>- Leeor Groen - Managing Director, The Spartan Group<br>- Richard Muirhead - Managing Partner, Fabric Ventures |



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| 14:30 - 15:00<br>30 Minutes | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>Decentralized Physical Infrastructure Networks (DePIN) Have Garnered Plenty of Interest from the Crypto Community in 2023</b><br>The DePIN sector is expected to gain wider investor attention in 2024 due to its compatibility with the artificial intelligence (AI) industry. What are DePIN and why should the industry take notice?<br><b>Moderator:</b><br>- Adel Bhurtun - Founder & CEO, Traders Brawl<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>- Aditya Tallapragada - CEO, Medifakt<br>- Alex Odagiu - Investment Director, Binance Labs<br>- Dylan Sharkey - Managing Partner, Zen Capital<br>- Ganesh Kompella - Founding Partner, Tykhe Block Ventures |
| 15:00 - 15:30<br>30 Minutes | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>Real World Assets Tokenization</b><br>From exotic products like Carbon Credit to more traditional ones like Real Estate and Fine Arts, Tokenization is attractive because it promises the benefits of secure and decentralized trading, property rights transparency, and fractionalization.<br><b>Moderator:</b><br>- Roland Roventa - Portfolio Manager, Altana Digital Assets Fund<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>- Hamiz Mushtaq Awan - Founder, Partner, Plutus21 Capital<br>- Joseph Lassen - Partner, CMT Digital<br>- Tobias Bauer - Partner, Blockchain Founders Fund<br>- Viktor Fischer - Managing Partner, RockawayX                         |

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| 15:30 - 15:45<br>15 Minutes     | <b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking Session</b>                                 |  |
| 15:45 - 17:00<br>1hr 15 Minutes | Meeting 9 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 10 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 11 - 15 Minutes | Meeting 12 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 13 - 15 Minutes |
| 17:00                           | <b>Chairman Closing Remark and End of Day One</b>                            |  |

# Program - Day 2: Friday, April 26th, 2024

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| 08:00 - 09:00<br>60 Minutes | <b>Registration and Refreshments</b>   |
| 09:00 - 09:05<br>5 Minutes  | <b>Opening Remarks and Welcome from the Chairman of the Congress</b>   |
| 09:05 - 09:35<br>30 Minutes | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>Web3 Gaming is Not Just a Buzzword</b><br>It represents a paradigm shift toward decentralization, digital ownership, and a new era of gaming experiences, empowering players and taking digital ownership to the next level. How can the Web3 gaming increase its number of players?<br><b>Moderator:</b><br>- Anna Tutova - CEO, Coinstelegram<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>- Fabio La Franca - Founding Partner, Blueverse Ventures<br>- Jamie Thomson - CEO, Vulcan Forged<br>- Vineet Budki - CEO & Managing Partner, Cypher Capital                                      |
| 09:35 - 10:05<br>30 Minutes | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>How to Fund-raise for Crypto Projects</b><br>Through crypto bear or bull markets, what are the fundamental rules that will increase your chance of raising funds? What do investors look for and how can you improve your chances of getting funded?<br><b>Moderator:</b><br>- Catie Romero-Finger - CEO & Co-Founder, BABs<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>- Hazel Zhang - Head of Investments, AELF Ventures<br>- Juliet Su - Partner, NewTribe Capital<br>- Mona Tiesler - Investment Manager, Tokenus Investment AG<br>- Tess Hau - General Partner & Founder, Tess Ventures |

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| 10:05 - 10:15<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Presentation</b>   |   |
| 10:15 - 10:25<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Presentation</b>   |   |
| 10:25 - 10:35<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Presentation</b>   |   |
| 10:35 - 10:45<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Presentation</b>   |   |
| 10:45 - 10:55<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Presentation</b>   |   |
| 10:55 - 11:05<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Presentation</b>   |   |
| 11:05 - 11:15<br>10 Minutes     | <b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking Session</b>  |   |
| 11:15 - 13:00<br>1hr 45 Minutes | Meeting 14 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 15 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 16 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 17 - 15 Minutes  | Meeting 18 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 19 - 15 Minutes<br>Meeting 20 - 15 Minutes |
| 13:00 - 14:00<br>60 Minutes     | <b>Prayer Break &amp; Lunch</b>   |   |
| 14:00 - 14:40<br>40 Minutes     | <b>Panel Discussion</b><br><b>The Future of NFTs: Will The Market Revive In 2024?</b><br>Similar to crypto's early days, some write off the entire NFT sector as a "scam." Education is critical to helping the mainstream market understand the power and potential of digital ownership, emerging use cases and the paradigm shift that we are seeing with web3. Will 2024 be the year of an NFT rebound? |   |

14:40 - 15:10  
30 Minutes

### Panel Discussion

#### The Crossroad between AI & Crypto

Whether it is the equity or crypto market, no one can deny that the AI market narrative will grow stronger in 2024. The disruptiveness of AI has made it a force to be reckoned with. Crypto investors are looking to profit from AI by identifying two types of crypto projects:

- Projects that support AI operations.
- Projects that create AI solutions and provide AI services.
- Is the Crypto market embracing this narrative?

#### **Moderator:**

- Joyce Chin - Portfolio Management, Animoca Brands

#### **Panelists:**

- Gaurav Dubey - Founder & CEO, TDeFi
- Patrick Martin - General Partner, Europe, Alpha Sigma Capital
- Rodney Yesep - Partner, Hack VC
- Taras Yavorsky - General Partner, 3x Capital

15:10 - 15:40  
30 Minutes

### Panel Discussion

#### Decentralized Finance (DeFi) Maturation

The decentralized finance space has been a hotbed of innovation, offering a plethora of financial services without the need for traditional intermediaries. In 2024, we can expect the DeFi ecosystem to mature further addressing user experience challenges, concerns related to security, scalability, and user experience. As DeFi becomes more accessible, traditional financial institutions might find themselves compelled to adapt or risk becoming obsolete.

#### **Moderator:**

- Anna Shakola - Head of Business Development, Cointelegraph Accelerator

#### **Panelists:**

- Lucas Schoch - CEO & Founder, BWS
- Carl Hua - GP, Reforge

15:40 - 16:00  
20 Minutes

### Coffee Break & Networking Session

16:00

#### The Global Blockchain Congress Awards Ceremony and Closing Remarks.



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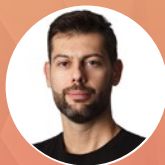
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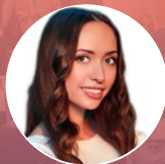
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**Joseph Lassen**  
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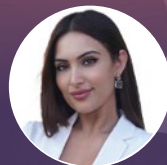
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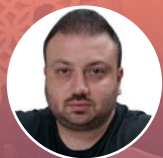
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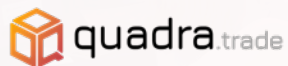


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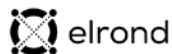
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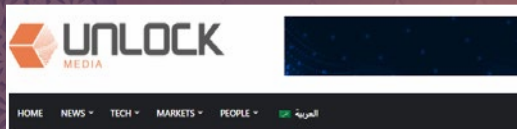
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## UAE Agora and X Ventures launch Blockchain competition

The X Competition will give blockchain entrepreneurs the chance to win up to \$2 million in funding.

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Today i had the pleasure of speaking at Global Blockchain Congress hosted by [AgoraGroup](#).

We had a very interesting discussion on how Dubai is paving the way and becoming a Global Blockchain hub and what are some of the areas that startups need to focus on as they operate in this space.

Along side: [Shams Hasan](#), [Saeed Hareb Al Darmaki](#), [Oliver von Wolff](#), [Vineet Budki](#)

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We are looking forward to attending the 12th edition of Global Blockchain Congress (@AgoraGBC), this time with the theme centered around the next bull market. Join our CEO of Investments Robby Yung (@viewfromhk) in Dubai to learn more!

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The region has become a thriving hub for the Blockchain and Web3 industry as tech enthusiasts, innovators, and entrepreneurs have flocked to the UAE to be part of the dynamic ecosystem it offers.


In the Crypto Oasis Ecosystem Report 2023, we've carefully curated a list of the top events in the region, showcasing the most influential gatherings in the Blockchain and Web3 space. These events not only provide valuable insights but also foster networking opportunities and contribute to the growth of the industry.

Download a copy of the Crypto Oasis ecosystem report to delve deep into the industry's most influential events. <https://t.ly/joni>

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The Global Blockchain Congress is an exclusive event between qualified [#investors](#) (VCs, Private Equity Firms, Family Offices, Crypto Funds, and High Networth Individuals), and select Blockchain [#startups](#) looking for funding.

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Cypher Capital Signs Strategic Investment Deal with [Prasaga](#)

We are happy to collaborate with [Prasaga](#), a designer of the next evolution of blockchain architecture. We signed the agreement yesterday at the Global Blockchain Congress.

Thanking the entire **Prasaga** team and the **AgoraGroup** for the great event.

David Beberman  
Michael Holdmann  
Jay Moore  
Bijan Alizadeh

## CYPHER CAPITAL INVESTS IN PRASAGA



# Testimonials



Agora have seen the vision prior to that being a vision in Dubai when they were hosting the GBC when Crypto was still seen as something negative. What they have done has been super successful in navigating the storm and what we see today at the GBC is just brilliant with so many great minds & amazing projects coming together all under one roof.

There was a real vibrant atmosphere and everyone understood that we are in a building phase and we were able to have this togetherness all down to the amazing Agora team for putting this show together and making everything flow so smoothly.

**Mohamed Ezeldin** - Head of Tokenomics, *Animoca Brands*



Agora's Global Blockchain Congress went beyond our expectations. It was amazingly organized and arranged for the whole process. Months of networking efforts can be abbreviated and accomplished in only two days of the event only by Agora Group.

We are finalizing our negotiations with most of the serious investors that we had the chance to meet in the congress. I think Agora is on the right track to build the biggest blockchain community-gathering in the world. We can't wait to attend the next Congress and meet this interesting community.

**Lutfi A Qarajah** - Petracoins, *Senior Executive Officer*



It has been my honour and privilege to have been invited to speak at and participate in the most prestigious and most innovative events in the web3 and Blockchain industry. I can confidently say, without fear or favor, that GBC matches these events stride for stride.

One simply needs to look at the luminaries in attendance to know how well regarded this event is and deservedly so. I will be back next year as will the team from Cypher Capital Group. Agora remain best in class when it comes to arranging these events and their continuous striving to further improve their offering serves them exceedingly well.

**Vineet Budki** - CEO, *Cypher Capital*



The Agora Group's annual Global Blockchain Congress is one of my favorites. One of a kind venue to have one-on-one meetings with founders, innovators and investors. Very large network of regional and international peers and we usually walk away with at least one or two potential investment opportunities and build long lasting connections.

**Hussein Tantawi** - SEO, *Iceberg Capital*



The experience at this event was amazing! Everything was more than well arranged. We were promised at least 10 meetings with investors but it was closer to 20!

The difference between other events and Agora is that everyone knows why they are there. 1 side comes to raise funds, the other side is searching for a project to put their funds in.

I can advise EVERYONE to go to the next one. Met incredibly interesting people. In one word "amazing".

**Randy van Brien** - CEO, *Bitsliced*



Agora has exceed my expectations on how a Project-VC event should be organized. The meetings were well organized, well paced and every project was given sufficient time to introduce their concepts to the VCs, with enough off time in between to socialize and mingle around with the rest of the participants. It was one of the events that I find that the fees was worth every dollar spent, and was happy to take away the experiences, lessons and contacts obtained in this 2 day event. It has been an honour to be invited by Agora to come and pitch Staynex at the event, and will be keen to attend future versions.

**Bernard Lau** - CEO & Co-Founder, *Staynex*



This is the 4th time that we have participated in Agora's GBC and Agora's team have been nothing but utmost welcoming & very helpful to our project! Every time that we were working on a fundraiser, we've been treated very kindly and they've been bringing investors and helping our project grow. The level of follow-up after the events are very critical and they've been doing an excellent job both pre and post event. I couldn't recommend the Global Blockchain Congress more.

**Neil Kapoor** - Business Development, *Casper Labs*



When we participated in the 1st edition of the Global Blockchain Congress, we were able to secure funding and partnerships that allowed us to get to where we are today.

To all the Blockchain projects, whether in the early or advanced stages, we assure you that the Global Blockchain Congress experience is unlike any other summit. This Congress is an exclusive, closed-door opportunity to connect with the greatest investors from the MENA region.

**Daniel Santos** - CEO, *Woonkly*



Future has had the pleasure of being part of several Agora events, and they have consistently exceeded our expectations. We acknowledged it as our main priority – a top fundraising event globally, so we anticipated great things from The Global Blockchain Congress, but the event managed to surpass even our highest expectations.

Despite the challenges that the fundraising landscape has presented recently, attending the Blockchain Congress was an experience that makes you want it to last. It brought together exceptional minds, superb organization, and vast potential right in the heart of Dubai – everything we could have wished for. Our utmost appreciation goes to the incredibly supportive Agora team for making this event possible & we eagerly await our next opportunity to come together at the highly anticipated premiere in London.

**Alen Dolsak** - CEO & Founder, *Futurent*

The Global Blockchain Congress event set the gold standard in investors conferences. From the caliber of the speakers & panelists to the white-glove service provided by the organizers; any investor, project or thought leader in the space should strongly consider participation. Meetings were tailored exactly to our needs and the partnerships we formed from the events are invaluable. We will regularly be attending all of these events moving forward. Thanks again to Hadi, Rim and the rest of the Agora Group team!

**Clifford Sarkin** - COO, *CasperLabs*

Our experience with Agora was exceptional. Every promise exceeded, every opportunity to engage with the right funds exploited. But the real key was that it was all so well curated. Having done so many of these events I have never had such a high hit rate! Of the 22 funds we spoke to we had 20 with a strong fit. The dinner was a hit and the time we enjoyed in the Cleopatra Suite will create lifelong relationships. I don't know how Agora does it, but each event is more amazing than the last.

**Jay Moore** - Co-Founder & CMO, *Prasaga*

Pitches are good and all, but have you ever sat on a table for 8 hours with 30 minutes one-on-one meetings with 50 rotating investors? Agora is next level. I went to this conference last year, and it was like speed dating with investors. THIS IS EXACTLY HOW IT SHOULD BE. If you're in #Dubai or can get there, and are looking to raise funds for your project, this is your jam.

**Nikita Sachdev** - Co-Founder, *Luna Media Corporation*



As the Head of Business Development at Cointelegraph Accelerator, my role involves attending numerous significant conferences annually. This extensive travel schedule often leads to experiences with overcrowded events, which can be quite exhausting. However, I was pleasantly surprised by the high caliber of attendees at the recent GBC conference. The event's selective audience truly set it apart. Notably, two of our portfolio companies from the Cointelegraph Accelerator have garnered substantial preliminary commitments following their participation in this conference. We are now eagerly anticipating the conversion of these commitments into actual investments.

**Anna Shakola** - Business Development Manager, *Cointelegraph Accelerator*



I have been to many events but this was something special, sponsoring this event was more than worth it, as a startup you need events like this to help you not only to receive funding but to connect with those who have already been through similar stages and became great successes. It was a well organized and intense event, well done to Agora group and all of the teams involved in making this a truly unique experience for us so far.

**Athar Ahmed** - Legion Network, *CEO*



I always admire the events organized by the Agora Group and the Global Blockchain Congress was one such initiative. Being a partner at NewTribе Capital, we always struggle finding new investment opportunities in the top growing startups that could deliver us long term benefits but the 1 on 1 format implemented by this event was unique and very efficient indeed. I'd recommend this as a must attend event.

**Juliet Su** - NewTribе Capital VC, *Partner*



I am very pleased about the performance and success of the Agora Global Blockchain Congress event! You feel all the efforts and dedication that the team put into turning this conference into a hit! From the registration counter, to the main stage where they picked the best panelists and to the section where start-ups pitch to investors all was very well done! It is truly a quality conference.

**Feras Al Sadek** - Managing Partner, *Ghaf Capital Partners*



GBC is probably one of the best organized conferences out there. High quality speakers and content, and plenty of opportunities for 1 on 1 meetings with exciting projects. The team is providing a first class meeting concierge service. All in all highly recommended!

**Benno Jering** - Partner, *Redline Capital*



# Sponsorship Packages

## Title Sponsor

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### Pre-Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Title Sponsor in all Event's media/promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
- Full database of attending investors with their names, position, contact details and breakdown of their budget and investment appetite 10 days before the event's date.
- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

### Live Event Deliverables

- Sponsor of the Gala Dinner.
- Speaking opportunity during the Gala Dinner.
- Partner recognition as Title Sponsor during event opening.
- 20 minute keynote speech in front of all attendees.
- Live online streaming of your presentation.
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room.
- 20 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Title Sponsor on all marketing material at the event.
- 5 partner's representatives to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

### Post-Event Deliverables

- Edited video file of your presentation.
- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.

## Strategic Partner

COCKTAIL RECEPTION  
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### Pre-Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Strategic Partner in all Event's media/promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
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- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

### Live Event Deliverables

- Sponsor of the Cocktail Reception.
- Speaking opportunity during the Cocktail Reception.
- Partner recognition as Strategic Partner during event opening.
- 10 minute keynote speech in front of all attendees.
- Live online streaming of your presentation.
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room.
- 20 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Strategic Partner on all marketing material at the event.
- 4 partner's representatives to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

### Post-Event Deliverables

- Edited video file of your presentation.
- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.

# Strategic Partner

“Lunch Break Sponsor”

## Pre-Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Strategic Partner in all Event's media/promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
- Full database of attending investors with their names, position, contact details and breakdown of their budget and investment appetite 10 days before the event's date.
- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

## Live Event Deliverables

- Sponsor of the Lunch Break.
- Partner recognition as Strategic Partner during event opening.
- 10 minute keynote speech in front of all attendees.
- Live online streaming of your presentation.
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room.
- 20 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Strategic Partner on all marketing material at the event.
- 4 partner's representatives to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

## Post-Event Deliverables

- Edited video file of your presentation.
- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.

# Strategic Partner

“Coffee Break Sponsor”

## Pre-Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Strategic Partner in all Event's media/promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
- Full database of attending investors with their names, position, contact details and breakdown of their budget and investment appetite 10 days before the event's date.
- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

## Live Event Deliverables

- Sponsor of the Coffee Break.
- Partner recognition as Strategic Partner during event opening.
- 10 minute keynote speech in front of all attendees.
- Live online streaming of your presentation.
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room.
- 20 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Strategic Partner on all marketing material at the event.
- 3 partner's representatives to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

## Post-Event Deliverables

- Edited video file of your presentation.
- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.



## Gold Sponsor

### Pre-Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Gold Sponsor in all Event's media/ promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
- Full database of attending investors with their names, position, contact details and breakdown of their budget and investment appetite 10 days before the event's date.
- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

### Live Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Gold Sponsor during event opening.
- 10 minute keynote speech in front of all attendees.
- Live online streaming of your presentation.
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room.
- 15 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Gold Sponsor on all marketing material at the event.
- 3 partner's representatives to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

### Post-Event Deliverables

- Edited video file of your presentation.
- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.

## Silver Sponsor

### Pre-Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Silver Sponsor in all Event's media/ promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
- Full database of attending investors with their names, position, contact details and breakdown of their budget and investment appetite 10 days before the event's date.
- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

### Live Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Silver Sponsor during event opening.
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room.
- 12 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Silver Sponsor on all marketing material at the event.
- 2 partner's representatives to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

### Post-Event Deliverables

- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.

## Bronze Sponsor

### Pre-Event Deliverables

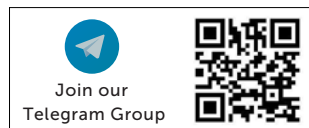
- Partner recognition as Bronze Sponsor in all Event's media/ promotion: Includes event website, brochure, stage backdrop, event booklet, post-event report, etc.
- Full database of attending investors with their names, position, contact details and breakdown of their budget and investment appetite 10 days before the event's date.
- Get Exclusive Access to apply for TDeFi's Accelerator Program (Potential grants of up to \$100,000).

### Live Event Deliverables

- Partner recognition as Bronze Sponsor during event opening
- Branded corporate table inside the one-on-one meetings room..
- 8 one-on-one meetings with investors.
- Partner's logo and branding as Bronze Sponsor on all marketing material at the event.
- 1 partner representative to attend the event including full access to the conference agenda, gala dinner, cocktail reception, breakfast, 4 coffee breaks, and lunch.

### Post-Event Deliverables

- Access to high level post-event report.
- Database of all delegates.



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