



Institutional Investing into Crypto-Assets

Crypto-assets are emerging as an alternative asset class into which institutions can invest. Our workshop will explore which crypto-assets are open to institutions, where the future lies, and how institutions can take advantage given the current environment.

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A proud Scot, avid outdoorsman and crypto enthusiast, Chris leads the institutional digital assets propositions at Swissquote Bank. Prior to joining the pioneering Swiss bank, he was the founder of an institutional custodian solution for crypto-assets, and found that Swissquote's forward-thinking attitude towards crypto trading and investing aligned flawlessly with his innovative and entrepreneurial spirit. In his previous life, Chris has been Head of European Innovation at Fidelity and had roles in Fixed Income Sales & Trading in European investment banks.

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