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I. Interview of Mr. Woochol Shin



Blockchain: is it an opportunity or threat?

Charlie Shin is well-placed to assess the potential value of DLT to CSDs. A computer science graduate who has worked in an AI laboratory, he has participated in a series of J2EE projects since he joined KSD in 1999 and is now working on AI and DLT platforms as a head of the innovative technology [...]

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II. Interview of Mr. Daniel THIEKE



inTech technologies and how to embrace them

CSDs are expected by their users to explore new technologies as paths to lower costs and reduced risks. They are also in a powerful position to influence the pace at which new technologies are adopted. Dan Thieke, managing director and general manager for settlement and asset services at the DTCC, advises CSDs to work with [...]

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III. Interview of Mr. John Siena



Meeting regulatory challenges requires dialogue not disputes between CSDs and custodians

A string of European regulations are rich in potential for tension between CSDs and their users over responsibility for settlement failures, shortcomings in the exercise of shareholder rights, and especially the loss of investor assets. With other regulators adopting similar ideas, and inter-operability spilling the risks across borders as well, the scope for regulatory disputes [...]

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IV. Interview of Mr. Joseph Lubin



The future of CSDs according to Joe Lubin

Joe Lubin, co-founder of Ethereum and founder and CEO of ConsenSys, is the keynote speaker at WFC 2019. As Dominic Hobson found out, he has a radical and exciting vision of the future of CSDs. To him, blockchain is more opportunity than threat to CSDs. But they must be prepared to reorient their strategies away [...]

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V. Interview of Ms. Nandini Sukumar



CSDs will thrive if they stay close to their customers, says Sukumar

The raison d'être of the World Federation of Exchanges (WFE) is to expedite the flow of capital across national borders, so it is no surprise that Nandini Sukumar, chief executive of the WFE since March 2015 and a panelist in the session on how CSDs can meet the rising expectations of their stakeholders, would welcome [...]

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VI. Interview of Mr. Vivekanand Ramgopal



Be realistic about the present and ambitious about the future of CSD links

Central securities depositories (CSDs) have long recognised the opportunities which lies in linking their services across borders, but it has proved hard to realise them. Vivekanand Ramgopal ("Vivek"), vice president and co-head of TCS Financial Solutions at Tata Consultancy Services, advises CSDs to temper their ambition with a realistic assessment of what can be done [...]

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VII. Interview of Mr. Tom Harrington



Preparation, intelligence and team-work are the keys to cyber-security

By the time Tom Harrington left the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in 2012, after 30 years with the agency, the last two as associate deputy director in Washington, the financial crimes group in which he started his career had become the largest arm of the entire organization. It is a measure of how the [...]

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IV. Accommodation : We still can guarantee you a room in the official hotels – Places are limited

Dear participants, the WFC 2019 committee announces that you still can book your room at one of the official hotels for a preferred price.
We still have some rooms available.

V. VI. HIGH RECOMMENDATIONS

Official hotels

The official hotels are 30 min far from the city center. In order to guarantee your room in these hotels, it is necessary for you to register as soon possible. Otherwise, if you choose a hotel other than the official one, you will probably need a car to arrive to the conference center.

Fast Track at the airport

Please note that the conference dates coincides with the high season in Marrakech, so we recommend you to take the fast track to avoid the long queues at the airport: <https://www.pearlassist.com/en/airport/Marrakesh/>

Shuttle

We recommend you to take the event shuttle and book it via the website:

- The shuttle from Marrakech Airport to your hotel is free
- The shuttle from Casablanca airport to your hotel will cost 40\$ each way
- Private cars are not part of the shuttle's package. If you want it, you must plan it in advance
- We inform you that WFC helpdesks will be available in Marrakech and Casablanca Airports (outside). These desks will provide you with all necessary information regarding the transfers.