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WEEKLY RECAP OF THE HAPPENINGS IN DEFI, DIGITAL ASSETS AND BLOCKCHAIN

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Regulatory

1. Australia introduces classification for crypto assets. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/australia-introduces-crypto-assets-classification>
2. Australia bolsters crypto watchdogs in 'multi-stage' plan to fight scams. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/australia-bolsters-crypto-watchdogs-in-multi-stage-plan-to-fight-scams>
3. Crypto-related enforcement actions by U.S. states rose sharply in 2022. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/crypto-related-enforcement-actions-by-us-states-rose-sharply-in-2022-report>
4. Senator Tim Scott, the Republican ranking member on the United States Senate Banking Committee, reportedly plans to develop "a bipartisan regulatory framework" for cryptocurrencies. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/senate-banking-committee-s-priorities-for-new-congress-include-crypto-report>
5. U.S. Treasury lists BTC, ETH addresses tied to Russian sanctions evasion group. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/us-treasury-lists-btc-eth-addresses-tied-to-russian-sanctions-evasion-group>

FTX/Alameda

1. FTX customers warned of scammers baiting them with return of assets. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/ftx-customers-warned-of-scammers-baiting-them-with-return-of-assets>

2. Alameda Research wallet receives \$13M from Bitfinex, other sources. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/alameda-research-wallet-receives-13m-from-bitfinex-other-sources>

Stablecoins

1. Just four men controlled 86% of stablecoin issuer Tether Holdings Limited as of 2018, according to documents obtained by The Wall Street Journal in connection with United States authorities investigations. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/only-4-people-controlled-tether-holdings-as-of-2018-report>
2. Tether CTO denies borrowing from bankrupt lender Celsius. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/tether-cto-denies-borrowing-from-bankrupt-lender-celsius>
3. Euro stablecoin launched in Finland, claims to be first approved in the EU. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/euro-stablecoin-launched-in-finland-claims-to-be-first-approved-in-the-eu>
4. UK-native stablecoin integrates into 18,000 ATMs nationwide. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/uk-native-stablecoin-integrates-into-18-000-atms-nationwide>

CBDCs

1. Chinese Communist Party officials issue KPIs for e-CNY transactions in Suzhou. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/chinese-communist-party-officials-issue-kpis-for-e-cny-transactions-in-suzhou>
2. Indian retail chain rolls out support for CBDC payments in stores. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/indian-retail-chain-rolls-out-support-for-cbdc-payments-in-stores-report>

Distributed Ledger Technology Adoption

1. Toyota to explore blockchain use cases via DAO hackathon. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/toyota-to-explore-blockchain-use-cases-via-dao-hackathon>

DeFi

1. Russia's largest bank, Sberbank, is moving forward with the plan to launch its decentralized finance (DeFi) platform, preparing to trial the product in a few months. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/russia-s-sberbank-plans-to-launch-defi-platform-on-ethereum>
2. DeFi enjoys prolific start to 2023. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/defi-enjoys-prolific-start-to-2023-dappradar-report>

3. Solana DeFi protocol Everlend shuts down over liquidity issues <https://cointelegraph.com/news/solana-defi-protocol-everlend-shuts-down-over-liquidity-issues>

Exchanges

1. Binance re-enters South Korea with GOPAX exchange. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/binance-re-enters-south-korea-with-gopax-exchange>
2. Binance severs ties with Indian crypto exchange WazirX. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/binance-severs-ties-with-indian-crypto-exchange-wazirx>
3. Indonesia's Ministry of Trade is reportedly aiming to roll out a national crypto exchange by June this year, six months after its previous target of December 2022. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/indonesia-targets-launch-of-its-national-crypto-exchange-by-june>
4. Celsius publishes list of users eligible to withdraw majority of assets. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/celsius-publishes-list-of-users-eligible-to-withdraw-majority-of-assets>

General News

1. Kraken shuts down Abu Dhabi office, suspends support for AED. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/kraken-shuts-down-abu-dhabi-office-report>
2. Binance delves into decentralized Web3 storage with BNB Greenfield. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/binance-delves-into-decentralized-web3-storage-with-bnb-greenfield>

Miners

1. Core Scientific to hand over 27K rigs to pay \$38M debt. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/core-scientific-to-hand-over-27k-rigs-to-pay-38m-debt>

Hacks/Exploits

1. Voyager victim calls for trustee to seize control of the estate. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/voyager-victim-calls-for-trustee-to-seize-control-of-the-estate>
2. Plaintiff Don Holland has filed a lawsuit against CryptoZoo and Logan Paul, alleging the YouTube influencer's "fraudulent venture" executed a "rug pull." <https://cointelegraph.com/news/logan-paul-and-cryptozoo-sued-in-class-action-lawsuit>
3. Alleged Mango Markets exploiter waives bail during hearing in federal court. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/alleged-mango-markets-exploiter-waives-bail-during-hearing-in-federal-court>

4. BonqDAO protocol suffers \$120M loss after oracle hack. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/bonqdao-protocol-suffers-120m-loss-after-oracle-hack>

NFT

1. Bitcoin NFTs cause spicy fees, Mastercard exec tokenizes resignation letter and more. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/nifty-news-bitcoin-nfts-cause-spicy-fees-mastercard-exec-tokenizes-resignation-letter-and-more>

2. Porsche NFT trading volume nears \$5M. <https://cointelegraph.com/news/porsche-nft-trading-volume-nears-5m-nifty-newsletter-jan-25-31>

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