

Examination Syllabus

EFFAS Digital Assets and MiCA



MODULE 1. Introduction to crypto-assets and blockchain technology

- 1.1 Characteristics and key concepts of blockchain technology
 - 1.1.1. Centralized versus distributed systems
 - 1.1.2. How Blockchain Works?
 - 1.1.3. Blockchain protocol vs. TCP/IP protocol
 - 1.1.4. What are DLTs and how do they relate to Blockchain?
 - 1.1.5. Smart Contracts
- 1.2. Internet of Information vs. Internet of Value
 - 1.2.1. What is the internet?
 - 1.2.2. From the internet of information to the internet of value
 - 1.2.3. Blockchain: Internet of value for business

MODULE 2. Types of crypto-assets and basic regulation affecting them

- 2.1. Legal classifications of the types of crypto-assets
- 2.2. Basic regulation of each type of crypto-asset
- 2.3. Cryptocurrencies as crypto-assets
 - 2.3.1. Introduction
 - 2.3.2. Main cryptocurrencies
 - 2.3.1. Exchanges and market evolution

MODULE 3. Products and services in the world of crypto-assets

- 3.1. Asset tokenization
 - 3.1.1. What is tokenisation?
 - 3.1.2. Types of tokens and main advantages
 - 3.1.3. Case study: tokenised real estate



- 3.2. Sale and purchase of digital assets
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 - 3.2.2. Decentralized exchange models (DEX)
 - 3.2.3. Advanced intermediation
 - 3.2.4. Security risks
 - 3.2.5. Regulatory approaches
- 3.3. Custody
 - 3.3.1. Wallets: A Basic Introduction
 - 3.3.2. Wallets: Types of wallets
 - 3.3.3. Custody: How is custody done today?
 - 3.3.4. Custody: Types of Strategies
 - 3.4.5. Custody: Regulatory Approaches
- 3.4. Wallets y Web3
- 3.5. Financial instruments and vehicles: investment funds.

MODULE 4. Regulation, ALM and MICA

- 4.1. Compliance regime and specific measures in PBC. The AML5 and "travel rule"
 - 4.1.1. AML/CFT obligations
 - 4.1.2. "Travel Rule"
- 4.2. MiCA analysis
 - 4.2.1. MiCA analysis: what it is, how it affects. Crypto-asset issuance rules
 - 4.2.2. Crypto-asset issuance rules
 - 4.2.3. MiCA analysis: main pillars of crypto-asset service provision

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- 5.1. DeFi actors and protocols: main components
 - 5.1.1. What is DeFi?
 - 5.1.2. Why DeFi?
 - 5.1.3. DeFi components
 - 5.1.4. DeFE operators



- 5.2. Basic typologies of DeFi operations and services
 - 5.2.1. What makes DeFi special?
 - 5.2.2. Types of Operations.
- 5.3 Differences with traditional finance (TradFi)
- 5.4. NFTs and metaverses
 - 5.4.1. Starting point
 - 5.4.2. NFTs
 - 5.4.3 Metaverse
- 5.5. DAO's
 - 5.5.1. What is a DAO?
 - 5.5.2. Elements of governance
 - 5.5.3. Frameworks
 - 5.5.4. Example: ENS.domains

