Reality Behind Buzzwords Series: Blockchain

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Gabriel Edelman, Managing Director, Foreside and Ben Keeler, Managing Director, Citisoft partnered with NICSA on their Reality Behind Buzzwords Series, a spotlight on Blockchain. This panel provided a brief review of the blockchain landscape and an overview of various digital asset financial products with a focus on intricacies related to the due diligence of these products. This included identification of fund-structure questions unique to these products, a review of service providers in the crypto asset field, and long-term complexities worth further consideration.

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