

# Seminar on Development of the Virtual Assets Market

## Synopsis

Cryptocurrencies, tokens, and blockchain technologies are rapidly changing the financial landscape. Regulators are looking for ways to safely introduce and regulate virtual assets (cryptocurrencies, stablecoins, digital rights, including digital financial assets), and market participants are looking for new opportunities for growth and capital preservation. During the discussion, the speakers will evaluate the experience gained and discuss the potential for the development of the virtual asset market.

### Questions and Answers:

1. What new investment and settlement instruments have appeared or will appear soon thanks to virtual assets?
2. How can an investor assess and manage his risks when investing in virtual assets and what is the role of infrastructure in this?
3. What is the role of intermediaries, institutional investors and organized trades in the formation of long-term instruments based on virtual assets?
4. At what stage of development is the regulation of the cryptosphere, how can the regulator ensure a balance between stimulating innovation and protecting against risks?

# Programme



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15:00 pm - 16:15 pm May 14, 2026

Ballroom 2, The Carlton  
Moscow, Russia

15:00-15:05

### Opening Remarks by the Moderator

- Guseva Ekaterina, Acting Director of the Department of International Financial Relations of the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation

15:05-16:15

### Panel Discussion Moderated by the Moderator

#### First round (up to 8 minutes each):

Remarks on the seminar theme

#### Second round (up to 2 minutes each):

Quick poll of participants

- Pronin Kirill, Director of the Financial Market Infrastructure Department at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation
- Ryabov Sergey, Head of the Digital Financial Assets Directorate, VTB Bank (PJSC)
- Mikhaylishin Andrey, CEO of BRICS Pay, JSC
- Agranovskaya Maria, Managing Partner at Agranovskaya & Partners, member of the Expert Council of the State Duma of the Russian Federation on blockchain and digital technologies
- Alexeyeva Anna, Deputy Director of the Financial Market Strategy Department of the Bank of Russia

16:15

### Concluding Remarks by the Moderator