

Capital Market Seminar - The Fourth Session

"Crypto Assets in Investment: Opportunities and Risks under Indonesian Regulation"

Crypto, one of the assets for investment offers unique opportunities for investors seeking to diversify their portfolios. Its rise from a niche concept to a mainstream financial instrument has been fueled by advancements in encryption technology and growing adoption. However, from an investment perspective because of their volatility, shifting legal and regulatory environments, and market swings, these digital assets also carry some risk in the future.

According to the Regulation of the Minister of Trade of the Republic of Indonesia Number 99 of 2018 concerning the General Policy for the Implementation of Crypto Asset Futures Trading, Crypto Assets are officially recognized as commodities that can be traded in futures markets. The regulation provides a legal framework for the inclusion of crypto assets as subjects of futures contracts on the Futures Exchange, outlining their trading mechanisms. Furthermore, the regulation empowers the Commodity Futures Trading Regulatory Agency (Bappebti) to establish detailed rules regarding the supervision, development, and enforcement of standards for the trading of crypto assets in these markets. This regulation aims to ensure that the trading of crypto assets is conducted in a transparent, secure, and regulated environment, protecting both investors and market participants.

This regulatory framework enhances the credibility of crypto assets in Indonesia, providing a secure foundation for their inclusion in both retail and institutional investment portfolios. By recognizing crypto assets as commodities and regulating their trading through futures contracts, the Indonesian government is taking proactive steps to balance innovation with investor protection. This move not only encourages growth in the domestic crypto market but also aligns Indonesia with global financial trends, where digital assets are becoming increasingly integrated into mainstream financial systems.

In conclusion, although cryptocurrency assets present fascinating chances for portfolio diversification, one must carefully evaluate their volatility and the dynamic nature of the regulatory environment. By recognizing cryptocurrency assets as marketable commodities under Regulation Number 99 of 2018, the Indonesian government has established a robust legal framework that improves investor protection and promotes market expansion. To manage any dangers and take advantage of these assets' long-term potential, investors need, nevertheless, stay informed and approach them with a well-thought-out plan.

Objectives

Due to the depth and breadth of the topic in this session, the three respected speakers are asked to deliver the main points below in the seminar; however, speakers may also add other points as deemed appropriate.

This session will be moderated by **Felicia Putri Tjiasaka, Investment Storyteller**

The first speaker, **Asih Karnengsih, Chairwoman at Association Blockchain Indonesia**, will explain:

- Highlight the legal framework introduced by the Indonesian government to recognize crypto assets as commodities.
- Emphasize how the regulation aims to protect investors by ensuring that crypto trading is conducted in a transparent, secure, and regulated environment.
- Explain how Indonesia's proactive approach to regulating crypto aligns the nation with international financial trends, promoting growth in the domestic crypto market.

The second speaker, **Nicko Widjaja, CEO of BRI Ventures**, will explain:

- Discuss the potential benefits of adding crypto assets to an investment portfolio to enhance diversification
- Talk about the long-term growth potential of crypto assets and how, with a well-thought-out strategy, they can offer substantial rewards.
- Explain how Indonesia's regulatory framework helps create a more secure environment for retail and institutional investors.

The third speaker, **Robby, Co-Founder at Reku**, will explain:

- Discuss how Indonesia's regulatory framework has helped legitimize the crypto market, encouraging both domestic and international players to participate.
- Debate the balance between fostering innovation in the crypto space while ensuring that regulatory safeguards are in place to protect investors and market stability.
- Discuss how Indonesia's crypto market is positioned to take advantage of global trends, and the role that local startups and investors play in shaping the future of the industry.

Methodology

- Speakers are suggested to prepare a presentation and/or a video; if so, speakers are asked to email the file(s) to partnership@icmss-febui.com by the latest 29th January 2025.
- The first session will last for 1 hour and 30 minutes; each speaker has 20 minutes to deliver the material and 20 minutes for the discussion session.
- This session will be delivered in English.

Date and Venue

Date : Friday, **February 7th 2025**

Venue : Auditorium Fakultas Ekonomi dan Bisnis Universitas Indonesia

14.30 - 14.35	: Session introduction, brought by Felicia Putri Tjiasaka
14.35 - 14.55	: Regulatory Framework for Crypto Assets in Indonesia, brought by Asih Karnengsih
14.55 - 15.15	: Investment Strategies and Managing Crypto Asset Volatility, brought by Nicko Widjaja
15.15 - 15.35	: The Future of Crypto Assets and Their Market Evolution, brought by Robby
15.35 - 15.55	: Discussion session for Prospects and Regulation of Crypto as an Asset of Investment in Indonesia
15.55 - 16.00	: Session closure, brought by Felicia Putri Tjiasaka

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