



EU-PROJECT TO PROMOTE AND INCREASE ACCEPTANCE OF DISTRIBUTED LEDGER TECHNOLOGIES IN SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED ENTERPRISES

**Fraunhofer Center for International
Management and Knowledge Economy
IMW**

Neumarkt 9-19
04109 Leipzig

Contact

Erik Ackermann

Research Fellow
Innovation Finance Unit
erik.ackermann@imw.fraunhofer.de
Tel.: +49-341 231039-135

Jens Rockel

Research Fellow
Innovation Finance Unit
jens.rockel@imw.fraunhofer.de
Tel.: +49 341 231039-119

www.imw.fraunhofer.de

Background

With blockchain technology, which is considered to be the most well-known representative of the so-called »Distributed Ledger Technologies (DLT)« having been introduced in 2009, a further development stage towards the »Internet of Value« has begun. This includes secure storage and transmission of assets on the Internet, which can be of material or immaterial origin.

Project Description

BLOCKPOOL aims to increase the acceptance and strengthen the use of blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technologies (BDLT) within small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Europe.

This is done through the structured establishment of a tailor-made support system for European SMEs. First, the essential European activities in the BDLT area are bundled and networked with each other in a targeted manner. In this context, a pool of 25 companies will test the BDLT, set it up and provide it with scientific support in order to evaluate the current state of technology as well as current hurdles which the technology might face. The Europe-wide networking of the key players' activities makes possible the offerings for further training courses, the development of additional awareness among other SMEs and the promotion of other BDLTs.

Fraunhofer Center for International Management and Knowledge Economy IMW

Neumarkt 9-19
04109 Leipzig

Contact

Erik Ackermann

Research Fellow
Innovation Finance Unit
erik.ackermann@imw.fraunhofer.de
Tel.: +49-341 231039-135

Jens Rockel

Research Fellow
Innovation Finance Unit
jens.rockel@imw.fraunhofer.de
Tel.: +49 341 231039-119

www.imw.fraunhofer.de

Our Services

The innovation financing unit at Fraunhofer IMW plays a central role in mapping Europe-wide activities and bringing key players together. We prepare market analyses for the European member states in the field of BDLT and case studies as well as typical areas of application are analyzed. The study focuses in particular on the socio-economic effects of the increasing acceptance and application of BDLT in research.

Client:



Co-funded by the Horizon 2020 programme of the European Union

Project Duration:

7/1/2019–7/31/2021

Project website:

<https://blockpool.eu/>

Project Partners

