

BLOCKCHAIN USE CASES

Blockchain for ancillary services and crypto assets



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Gerd Hartung is with Group Deutsche Börse since 1996 - initially working for Deutscher Kassenverein AG (today: Clearstream Banking AG). As a Senior Vice President, he has recently joined the 'DLT, Crypto Assets and New Market Infrastructure' Area of Deutsche Börse AG.

During his career at Clearstream, Gerd has been working in a variety of different roles. In a joint project with Deutsche Bundesbank, he developed a comprehensive Collateral Management Service for the German market, which became the backbone of the Euro GC Pooling segment jointly launched with Eurex in 2005.

After the merger with Cedel in 2000, he managed a cross location team in Frankfurt, Luxembourg and London being responsible for the Product Management of all Collateral Management Services of the new entity Clearstream.

In 2004, Gerd was appointed Director and Head of the Market and Business Development at Clearstream.

Today, he is in charge of various DLT initiatives including LA Ledger (a joint initiative of CSDs from the Liquidity Alliance) and HQLAx (a strategic partnership of Group Deutsche Börse with the Fintech start-up company HQLAx), both targeting the usage of blockchain technology to significantly improving the mobilisation of security collateral across multiple custodians.

Prior to joining Group Deutsche Börse, Gerd was a Project Manager at Deutsche Bank from 1992, where he developed IT solutions for Risk Controlling as well as for Asset-/Liability-Management.

He graduated in Mathematics with Macroeconomics as second subject and in addition, he holds a PhD in Mathematics – both from the Technical University of Darmstadt (Germany). During his PhD studies, he was a research visitor at La Trobe University in Melbourne (Australia).