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# **BlockChain and Smart Contracts**

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# Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

A blockchain is an append-only shared ledger containing recorded transactions that is implemented across a distributed business network. Blockchains, due to their key characteristic of being immutable, can be used to record many different types of business transactions. Further, when a blockchain record is coupled with a smart contract (programmed business logic) that is executed with a transaction, then the possibilities for new business opportunities that reduce costs and compexity become interesting to many different business applications, both within and beyond the financial services industry.

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