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Market Insight



Key Metrics					
Pairs	Spot Price	24 Hr Change	Low	High	Funding Rates
BTC/USD	\$20,591	5.52%	\$19,232	\$20,913	0.0093%
ETH/USD	\$1,129	8.54%	\$1,025	\$1,159	0.0100%
XAU/USD	\$1,839.60	-0.01%	\$1,836.60	\$1,846.10	
USD/CAD	\$1.3006	-0.17%	\$1.2984	\$1.3043	
EUR/CAD	\$1.3684	0.10%	\$1.3633	\$1.3702	

BITCOIN: A snapshot of Bitcoin's spot price as of this writing is \$20,561 representing a 5.52% increase the last 24 hours and 21.05% decrease in trading volume. The funding rate of BTC is 0.0093%.

ETHEREUM: ETH is trading at \$1,129 as of this writing, representing a 24-Hour decrease of 8.54% and a funding rate of 0.0100%. Over the last 24 Hours, the trading volume decreased by 12.08%. As of today, ETH holds 18.3% of the cryptocurrency market, making it the second-largest coin traded.

UPCOMING DATES		
Company	Pending Applications	SEC Response Date
Bitwise	Bitwise Bitcoin ETP Trust	July 1, 2022
Grayscale	Grayscale Bitcoin Trust	July 6, 2022
WisdomTree Bitcoin Trust	WisdomTree	October 10, 2022

Latest Digital Asset News



1) Crypto lender Babel Finance announces steps to improve its liquidity situation ¹

Crypto financial services firm Babel Finance, which abruptly suspended withdrawals last week, has announced several steps to improve its liquidity situation. Sharing the news with The Block in a statement on Monday, Babel Finance said it carried out an emergency assessment of its business operations to understand its liquidity status and has also reached “preliminary agreements on the repayment period of some debts” with major counterparties and customers, “which has eased the company's short-term liquidity pressure.” Today’s announcement doesn’t mean withdrawals — which were suspended on Friday because it was facing “unusual liquidity pressures” — are resumed, however. The company said it has “actively communicated with shareholders and potential investors, and will continue to communicate and obtain liquidity support.”

2) DeFi Platform MakerDAO Pauses Some Aave-Related Lending Activity ²

MakerDAO, a long-established decentralized autonomous organization that supports the stablecoin DAI, has suspended the token from being deposited and minted in Aave’s crypto lending platform. The organization cast the vote to disable the DAI Direct Deposit Module on Aave, which effectively prevents traders from borrowing the stablecoin against a troubled derivative token stETH, citing adverse market conditions in a post Friday.

3) Korea bars Terra developers from leaving the country ³

Prosecutors in Korea have blocked Terra developers and former developers from leaving the country as investigations into the failed crypto project continue. According to Korean media outlet JTBC News, the newly reconstituted Financial and Securities Crime Joint Investigation Team says the travel embargo is to prevent persons of interest in the case from leaving the country. This move could also be in preparation for additional investigative actions such as search and seizures, as well as subpoenas for other persons involved.

4) Iran Will Reportedly Cut Off Electricity to All Legal Crypto Miners ⁴

The Middle Eastern nation has gone against licensed crypto miners and will shut down all 118 legal ones in two days, according to a recent report. The country’s authorities have already done something similar in the past, citing the growing electricity demand during the summer. In an interview with a state-owned TV, reported by Bloomberg, Mostafa Rajabi

¹ <https://www.theblock.co/post/153067/babel-finance-steps-crypto-liquidity-situation>

² <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-06-18/defi-platform-makerdao-pauses-some-aave-related-lending-activity#xj4y7vzkg>

³ <https://www.theblock.co/post/153048/terra-developers-in-korea-barred-from-leaving-the-country>

⁴ <https://cryptopotato.com/iran-will-reportedly-cut-off-electricity-to-all-legal-crypto-miners/>

Mashhadi, a spokesman for Iran's power industry, said the nation will stop providing electricity to all 118 licensed mining operators starting from June 22.

5) Meta Launches Metaverse Digital Clothing Store ⁵

Meta has recently announced the launch of a digital clothing store, named the "Meta Avatars Store," that will allow users to purchase clothing of different brands to dress their metaverse avatars. The store, which will be rolling to different markets this week, will feature digital designs created by Balenciaga, Prada, and Thom Browne, and will be available for Meta's avatars on Facebook, Instagram, and Messenger. The pricing for each one of the pieces of clothes available has still not been revealed.

⁵ <https://news.bitcoin.com/meta-launches-metaverse-digital-clothing-store/>

Traders' Digest

Bitcoin traded all the way down to \$17,600 over the weekend with approximately 555,000 BTC changing hands between prices of \$18,000 and \$23,000, a strong support and resistance level respectively for the asset ranged over the past few days. Losses ranged between \$1.5 billion and \$2 billion each day.

Long-term holders, or those holding BTC for a period longer than 155 days, liquidated over 178,000 BTC at prices below \$23,000, the data showed. However, these liquidations accounted for only 1.31% of the total holdings.

In broader futures markets, bitcoin futures racked up some \$436 million in liquidations over the past three days. Long options, or bets on higher prices, took on a majority of these losses.

The carnage in the crypto market is mainly caused by pressure from macroeconomic forces, including spiraling inflation and a succession of Fed rate hikes, while intensified by the Celsius saga.

Celsius effectively locked up its \$12 billion in crypto assets under management, raising concerns about the platform's solvency. The news rippled across the crypto industry, reminding some of what happened in May, when a failed U.S. dollar-pegged stablecoin project lost \$60 billion in value and dragged the wider crypto industry down with it.



Altcoin Analysis

Aave has been one of the first DeFi protocols to shine. Let's take a look at what the chart is showing us.

AAVEUSDT has been trading within a declining trend channel since August 2021. More recently, prices are capped by a declining trend line. Prices would need to break above this trend line as well as the resistance area near \$80 to start talking about potential bullish moves.

Looking at AAVEBTC, we're witnessing the same patterns.

A break above \$80 should trigger additional bullish momentum towards \$120 and potentially \$160.



When it comes to trading alt coins, it is very important to track the movement of Bitcoin. When BTC appreciates or consolidates in a range, some of these coins can flourish but if the former gets dumped then the latter will get destroyed. Therefore, these types of analysis depend on the trajectory of Bitcoin's price action. Timing is of the essence.

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