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■ In January 2016, Digital Asset Holdings announced it had raised over \$60 million in financing from 15 prominent financial institutions, led by J.P. Morgan

The 15 investors include:

- ABN AMRO
- Accenture
- **ASX Limited**
- **BNP Paribas**
- **Broadridge Financial Solutions**
- Citi Group
- **CME** Ventures
- Deutsche Börse Group
- Goldman Sachs
- **IBM**
- **ICAP**
- J.P. Morgan
- Santander InnoVentures
- The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation
- The PNC Financial Services Group
- On June 22, 2016, Digital Asset Holdings raised an additional \$7.2 mm from the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX Limited)

Board Members

 Digital Asset also announced that it has expanded its Board of Directors to 9 members



Catherine Flax BNP PARIBAS

Head of Commodity Derivatives & Foreign Exchange & Local Markets



Sanoke Viswanathan J.P.Morgan Chief Administrative

Officer, Corporate & Investment Bank

Digital Asset



Blythe Masters

CFO



Sunil Hirani Digital Asset



Ashwin Kumar



Group Head of Product Development



Mike Bodson President & CEO



Donald Wilson Digital Asset

Co-Founder



Cristóbal Conde



Executive in Residence



Sallie Krawcheck



CEO, Co-Founder





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Transaction Summary (cont.)

Transaction Commentary

J.P.Morgan

"We are proud to be a lead investor in this round of financing. Distributed Ledger Technology has the potential to transform the way our industry does business, and we believe Digital Asset has the right talent and technology to make it a reality."

Sanoke Viswanathan, Chief Administrative Officer



"ASX believes that Australia can be a world leader in the development of innovative post-trade solutions. Our investment in Digital Asset represents a commitment to sizing the potential of Distributed Ledger Technology to reduce cost, risk and complexity for ASX's broad stakeholder base, including issuers, investors, intermediaries and regulators." Elmer Funke Kupper, Managing Director & CEO



BNP PARIBAS

"In today's digital economy improving efficiency, security, compliance and settlement speed are key. BNP Paribas is excited to be partnering with Digital Asset and we look forward to working together to explore how this technology can help shape the future for financial services."

Oliver Osty, Global Head of Sales & Trading

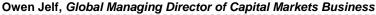


"We look forward to working closely with Digital Asset and other stakeholders in this innovative technology. This relationship will leverage our ambitions to utilize Distributed Ledger Technology to bring effective solutions to our clients."

Carsten Kengeter, CEO



"Early on, Accenture recognized the potential benefits that blockchain-enabled distributed ledgers could offer to the capital markets and wider financial services industry. By investing in Digital Asset, we're working to help banks and other leading financial institutions around the world bring more efficiency to their front, middle and back office trading operations and unlock new revenue opportunities. We believe this is a technology that has the potential to dramatically change the financial services landscape."





"The financial services industry is undergoing significant transformation and innovative technologies like Distributed Ledger Technology have the potential to usher in a new era of automation, efficiency, process reengineering and operational excellence across the financial ecosystem. We are delighted to be a strategic investor in Digital Asset and we look forward to continuing to build differentiated solutions that will help our global clients achieve their growth and operational goals." Tim Gokey, Chief Operating Officer



"Distributed Ledger Technology offers a once-in-a-generation opportunity to re-imagine and modernize the industry's infrastructure to address longstanding operational challenges. This investment positions DTCC to play a leading role in fostering industry-wide adoption and helping to introduce the standards, governance and technology to support distributed ledger implementations. We look forward to working with our partners at Digital Asset to explore opportunities to improve upon the existing infrastructure in certain defined areas where automation is limited or non-existent and where the technology provides a clear benefit over existing processes." Mike Bodson, President & CEO



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"The participation of ABN AMRO in Digital Asset demonstrates our belief that new technology will play an important role in innovations in the financial system. It will be key to develop new products and services and to make global financial markets operate more efficiently in the interest of our clients. Digital Asset is uniquely positioned in this emerging technology."

Johan Van Hall, Member of Managing Board

Source: Company press release, Capital IQ.



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Digital Asset Overview

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Founded: 2014

Offices: New York City; San Francisco; London; Budapest; Zurich; Sydney (Coming in 2016)

- Digital Asset builds distributed, encrypted straight through processing tools with the mission of improving efficiency, security, compliance and settlement speed
- Digital Asset can potentially improve post-trade processing efficiency, record keeping and financial infrastructure while reducing cost, cyber security risks, capital requirements, latency and errors

Digital Asset's Acquisitions

Date	Size (\$ mm)	Target	platfori ledgers
04/20/16	na	Elevence digital exchanges	
10/28/15	na	Blockstack.io	- (" ;
06/25/15	na	bits of proof	
06/25/15	na	HYPER LEDGER	_

Product / Technology Overview

Business Applications

Develops asset specific business logic engines and behavior plug-ins

Digital Asset Platform -

Converts business logic concepts vinto low level services

The platform can build business applications without having to deal with ledger specifics

Distributed ledgers help to track and settle digital financial assets

Distributed Ledger Technology

Open Source Distributed Ledger Infrastructure or Databases – platform can commit transactions to private or public distributed ledgers or traditional databases

Private networks ("permissioned") such as Hyperledger Public networks ("permissionless") such as Bitcoin blockchain

Digital Asset contributed the brand name Hyperledger, along with some Digital Asset code, to the Linux Foundation to be used as enterprise grade code and a developer resource for the project

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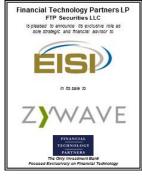
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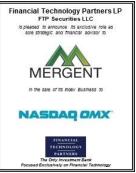


















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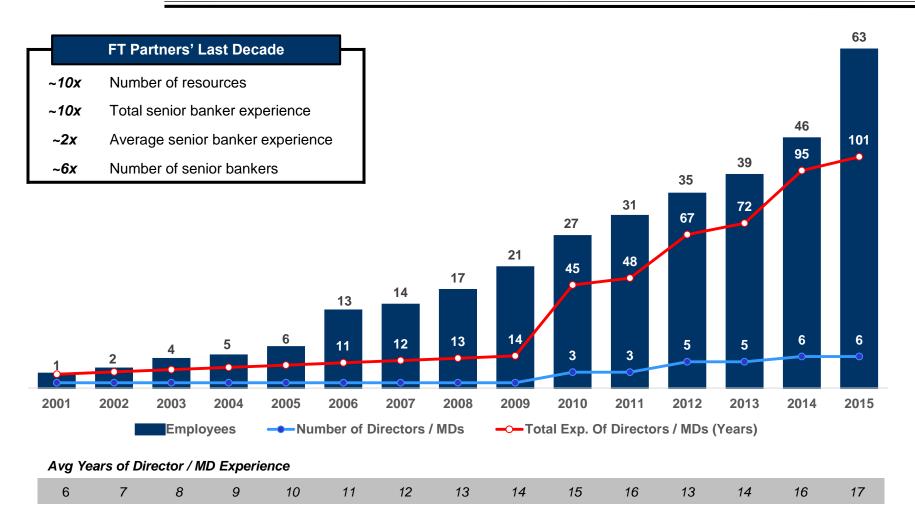




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Greg Smith Managing Director	Merrill Lynch J.P.Morgan sterne agee	 Formerly award winning Equity Research Analyst at Merrill Lynch / J.P. Morgan / Sterne Agee Recent coverage included V, MA, TSS, GPN, HPY, DST, ENV, FISV, FIS & JKHY among others 	20
Tim Wolfe Managing Director	Goldman Sachs	 Formerly with Goldman, Sachs & Co. beginning in 2000 40 Under 40 M&A Advisor Award Winner 2013 Harvard M.B.A. 	14
Andrew McLaughlin Managing Director, Research & Business Development	Deloitte.	 Leads FT Partners' Research and Business Development Team Formerly with Deloitte Consulting 	10



