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BBA February 2026 Highlights

From the President:

UK's first National Honour recipient for Blockchain

A lot happened in February. Here's my summary of the key updates from across our ecosystem:

1. BBA's Submissions to Policy Consultations:
The UK's crypto regulatory framework is being written now and we've submitted three formal consultation responses — to the FCA (CP25/40 and CP25/42) and

the Bank of England — representing the evidence-based view of BBA's industry network.

> Read our CP25/40 response - Regulating **Cryptoassets** HERE.
> Read our Bank of England response - **Stablecoins** - HERE
> Read our CP25/42 response - **Prudential Regime** Crypto Firms - HERE

2. BBA's Annual International Conference - ISC2026, 27 March:
The conference is just 4 weeks away, and we have put together an impactful programme. The conversations will be richer, deeper, and science-backed and, most importantly, practical, with a clear focus on real-world utility. We would also like to welcome United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF) as Conference Partners of the BBA's upcoming Annual International Blockchain Conference, ISC2026.

> List of the participating organisations HERE.
> Confirmed speakers HERE.
> **Register Now** HERE

3. Blockchain Made Easy Podcast for Policymakers and Industry:
We've launched the BBA Podcast: accessible, evidence-based blockchain insight for policymakers and industry. Episode 1 covers **post-quantum blockchains** — why they matter and what's at stake.

> Listen to Episode 1: Post Quantum Blockchains HERE.

4. **BBA at UK Jurisdiction Task Force Consultation on Digital Assets**:
The UK Jurisdiction Taskforce is shaping how courts treat digital assets. Our contribution sets out the evidence-based case for clarity.

> My contribution to the UKJT consultation HERE.

5. **Chaired a Session on Tokenisation at Digital Assets Forum:**
I chaired a panel on Tokenisation at DAF2026 - More HERE.

6. **The JBBA, 17th issue**
The 17th issue of the Journal of the British Blockchain Association (**JBBA**) is on track for April. I've been reflecting on the journal's remarkable 9-year journey since our inaugural issue in July 2018.
More HERE.

7. **New Blockchain APPG Chair**
Matt Bishop MP joins as the new Chair of the APPG on Blockchain Technologies. Welcome, Matt — we look forward to an impactful year in Parliament.

> More HERE.

Until next time,

Professor Dr Naseem Naqvi MBE
President, The BBA

Top 100 Blockchain Leaders - Globally

BBA President has been featured in CCNs' top 100 blockchain leaders, globally.

CCN quotes: ***"A rare bridge between academia, policy, and real-world blockchain adoption — and the first person globally awarded a UK national honour (MBE) for services to blockchain..."***

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Our Work as Blockchain APPG Secretariat

New APPG Chair

We are pleased to welcome **Matt Bishop MP** as our new Chair, following a recently held EGM at Portcullis House, Houses of Parliament.

Matt Bishop MP is The Labour Party Member of Parliament for Forest of Dean and brings a strong commitment to innovation, regional growth, and public service transformation.

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BBA Events

ISC2026, London

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ISC2026 - Participating Organisations

ISC2026 is already shaping up to be a historic conference!

🌐 With confirmed participation and institutional interest spanning policymakers, regulators, academics, global institutions, leading universities, and industry think-tanks, ISC2026 is on track to be a must-attend convening on Blockchain and Digital Assets.

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📊 Over 70% of large-scale innovation programmes fail when one of the four pillars of Quadruple Helix — academia, industry, policy, or society — is missing.

🎓 Academia I 🏛️ Policy I 🏭 Industry I 🌍 Society

🚀 ISC2026 is where the full ecosystem comes together.

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60 Seconds to Stand Out: Student Impact Statements at ISC2026

Why should they hire you?

Tell us in 60 seconds - Live at ISC2026

Top 3 Impact Statements receive:

Honorary Membership of the Centre for Evidence-Based Blockchain (CEBB)

Invitation to become a BBA University Student Forum Representative

BBA's 8th Blockchain International Scientific Conference, London

CEBB Centre for Evidence-Based Blockchain ISC2026 THE JBBA

"Why should we hire you?" is a tough question — especially when you're asked to summarise years of hard work in 60 seconds.

At the 8th Annual Blockchain International Scientific Conference (**ISC2026**), we're running a high-impact student segment:

"Why should we hire you?" — 60-second live impact statements:

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Some of the Confirmed Speakers

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8TH BLOCKCHAIN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

27 MARCH 2026 | LONDON

Attlee Suite, Portcullis House

www.britishblockchainassciation.org/isc2026

CONFERENCE THEME:

Blockchain in 2030:

"Science, Standards, & Societal Impact"

SPEAKER

Jane Moore

Head of Department

Payments, Digital Assets,

Market Analysis and Policy

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SPEAKER

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Chief Information Officer

United Nations

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Rt Hon. Viscount Camrose will be one of the Speakers at the BBA's 8th Blockchain International Scientific Conference (ISC2026).

BBA'S ISC2026 | LONDON
Some of the Confirmed Speakers ....
JOEY GARCIA
XAPO BANK
NASEEM NAQVI MBE
PRESIDENT, THE BBA
CHARLOTTE ELI
PARIS DAUPHINE UNIVERSITY
9 AM - 5 PM
27 March, 2026
Attlee Suite | Portcullis House
IRL Houses of Parliament
8th Blockchain International Scientific Conference, London

BBA'S ISC2026 | LONDON
Some of the Confirmed Speakers ....
DR LARISA YAROVAYA
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON
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MONEYPAY
DR MUGE CETIN
ÖZYEĞİN UNIVERSITY
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HERIOT-WATT UNIVERSITY
DR SEAN MANION
DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY
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SPEAKER

Dr Burhan Ahmed

CEO

BlockMed Pro

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Abstract Presenter

Alexander Wiedenmann

PhD Researcher

Cryptoassets and Finance

Ulm University, GERMANY

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Abstract Presenter

Wiktor Gawłowicz

PhD Researcher, Legal Sciences

Chief Specialist, Polish Financial Supervision Authority

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We welcomed **King's College London Blockchain Society** as Conference Partners at ISC2026.

🎤 The Society's student leaders will be speaking and showcasing the Society's work at King's College London.

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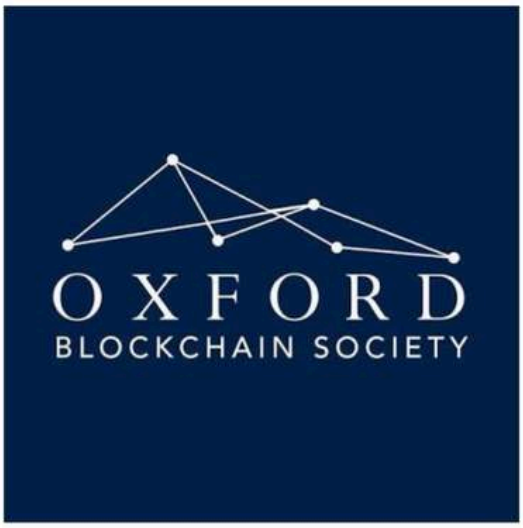
ISC2026: University Partner



We welcomed the **University of Oxford Blockchain Society** as a Conference Partner at ISC2026.

🏛️ With evidence of teaching dating back to 1096, **University of Oxford** is the oldest university in the English-speaking world and the second-oldest university in continuous operation worldwide.

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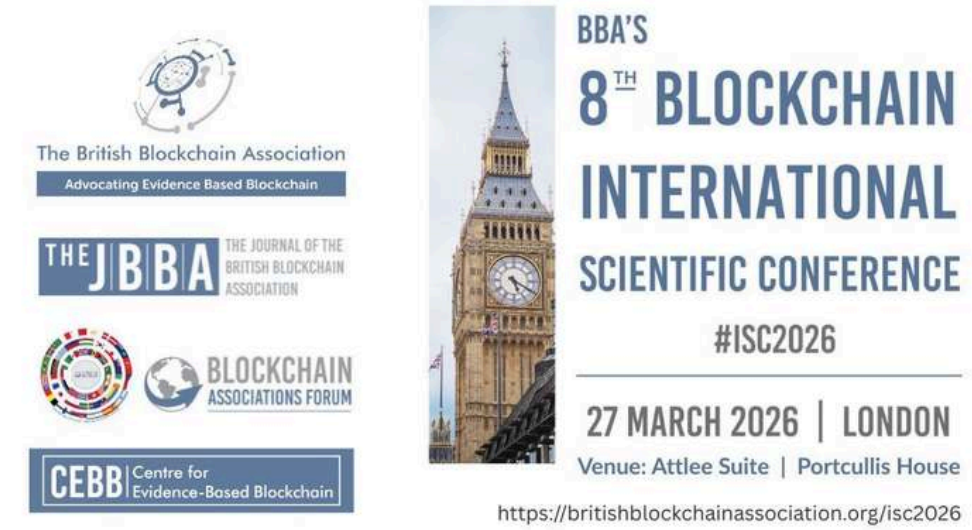

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BBA Industry Updates

Property Conveyancing Consultancy has renewed its annual Corporate Membership with the British Blockchain Association.

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The BBA Podcast: Blockchain Made Easy

🚀 No time to read technical research papers?

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We've got you.

🎧 The BBA Podcast is now LIVE!

🙌🏻 The first episode has officially launched.

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BBA Submits Response to FCA Consultation CP25/42

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BBA's Response to FCA's Consultation Paper CP25/42:

A prudential regime for cryptoasset firms

Consent to publication: The British Blockchain Association (BBA) consents to publication of our name as a respondent. We are responding as an organisation and do not request confidential treatment for this submission.

How this response was developed

This submission draws on consolidated input from BBA members and industry stakeholders, including cryptoasset issuers, crypto banks, exchanges, custodians, payments and fintech firms, legal and compliance practitioners, and academic specialists. The BBA often weighs in on UK and international consultations, engaging with stakeholders on regulatory design, how practical it is to implement, and its impact on the market. Where it makes sense, we reference positions from our earlier responses (including to FCA consultations) to promote consistency and avoid unnecessary differences across UK frameworks.

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SUBMISSION UPDATE: Financial Conduct Authority's Consultation on Cryptoasset Regulatory Regime CP25/42.

On 27 January, the BBA submitted its response to the FCA's consultation paper on prudential regulatory regime for Cryptoassets.

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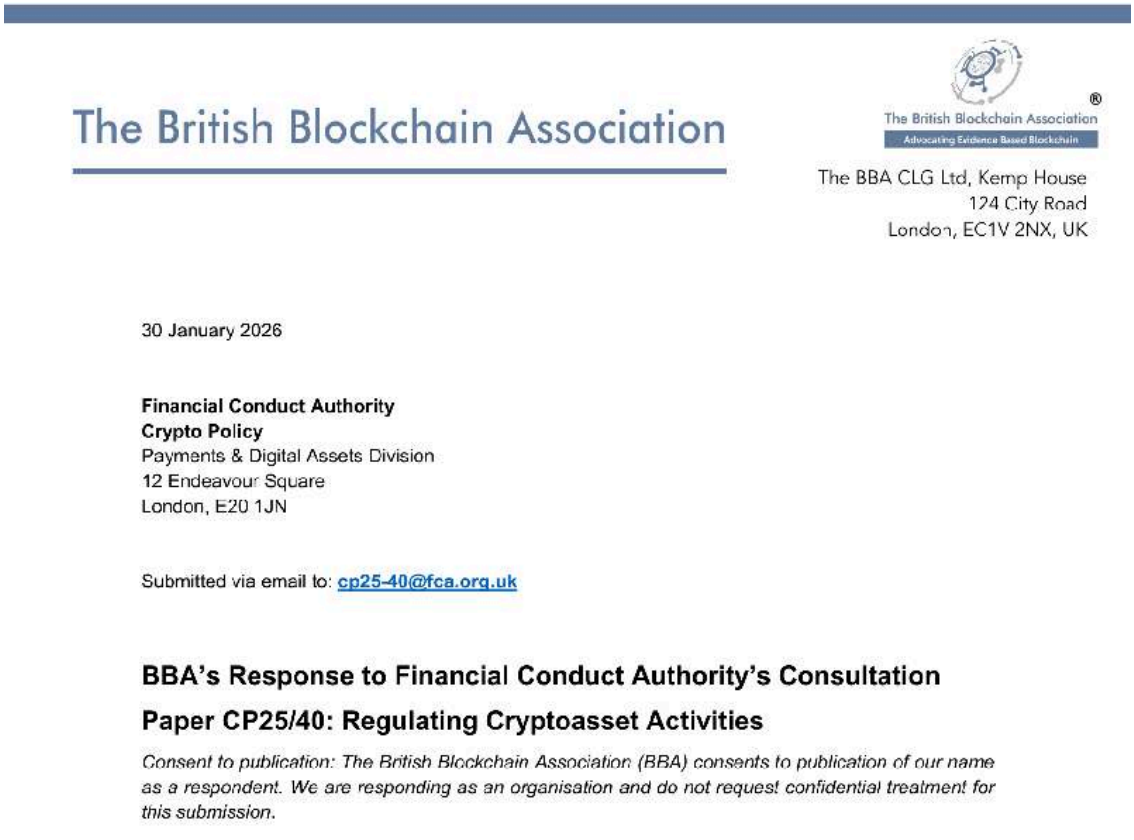
BBA Submits Response to FCA Consultation CP25/40



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SUBMISSION UPDATE: Financial Conduct Authority's Consultation on Cryptoasset Regulatory Regime CP25/40

On 30 January, the BBA submitted its response to the FCA's consultation paper on regulatory regime for Cryptoassets.

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BBA Submits Response to Bank of England Stablecoin Consultation

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Via Email: CP-systemicstablecoin@bankofengland.co.uk

BBA's Response to Bank of England's Consultation Paper On Proposed Regulatory Regime for Sterling-Denominated Systemic Stablecoins

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How this response was developed

This submission reflects input from BBA members and our wider network, including stablecoin issuers, trading venues, custodians, payment and fintech firms, legal and compliance practitioners, and academic researchers. The BBA routinely contributes to UK and international policy consultations and convenes stakeholders to assess regulatory design, operational feasibility, and likely market impacts. Where relevant, we reference positions taken in our previous UK stablecoin submissions to support consistency across the emerging framework and to avoid avoidable regulatory fragmentation.

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SUBMISSION UPDATE: Bank of England's Stablecoin Consultation

On 8 February, the BBA submitted its response to the **Bank of England**'s

consultation paper on regulatory regime for Sterling-denominated Systemic Stablecoins.

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BBA Partner Event

BBA President at Financial Times Digital Assets Forum, London

Strategic Partner

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BBA President will be speaking at Financial Times Digital Assets Summit in London on **13-14 May**.The BBA is the **Strategic Partners** of the event.

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BBA Chairs Digital Assets Forum Panel

> *“Blockchains are working fine. But for tokenisation to scale, it must outperform today’s capital markets — on cost, evidence, trust, speed, usability, and design. The blockchain isn’t the bottleneck; governance, interoperability, and incentives are.”*

Those were the closing remarks of our President, Prof. Dr Naseem Naqvi MBE FBBA, as he chaired a panel at the Digital Assets Forum in London on 6 February.

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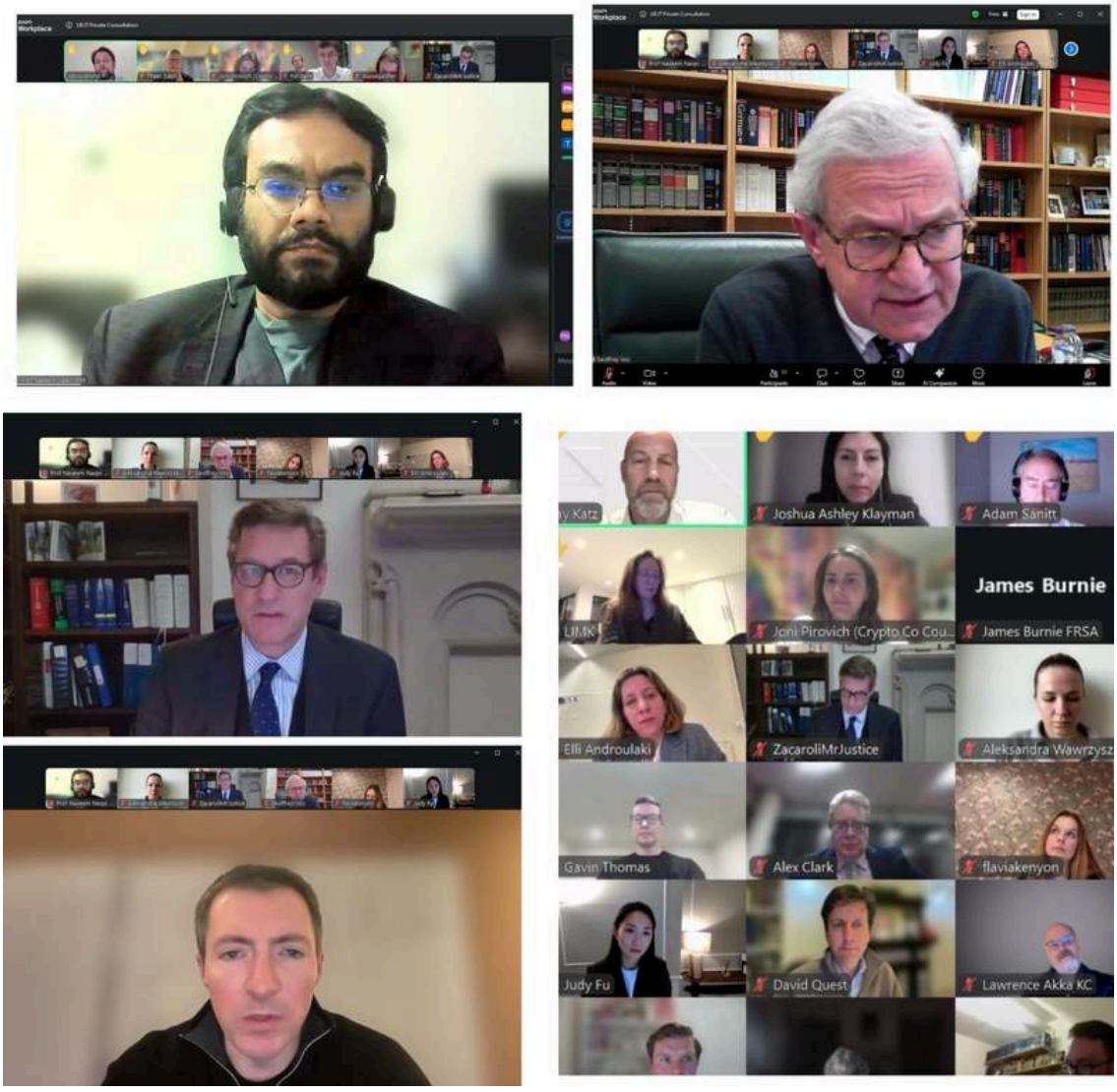
BBA Contributes to UKJT Consultation



The BBA President contributed to the UK Jurisdiction Taskforce (UKJT) consultation on Digital Assets and Blockchain, led by Sir Geoffrey Vos, Master of the Rolls, and Justice Zacaroli.

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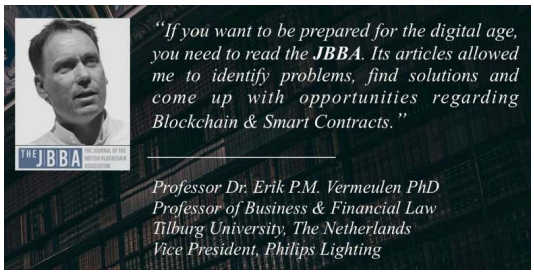
JBBA Updates

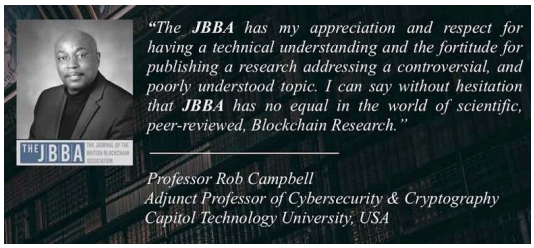
JBBA Issue 18: Submissions Now Open

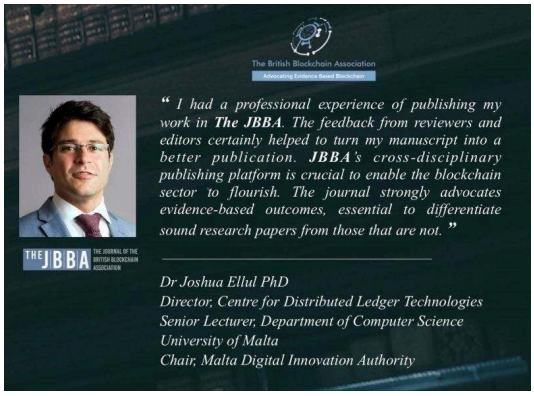
✍🏻 Submissions are now open for the ***18th*** **issue** of The JBBA, on track for **October.**

Submit your papers here

Authors Share Feedback on The Journal of the British Blockchain Association







Some feedback from the authors of **The Journal of The British Blockchain Association**!

📖 Read The JBBA Here

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CEBB Surpasses 700 Members Across 72 Countries

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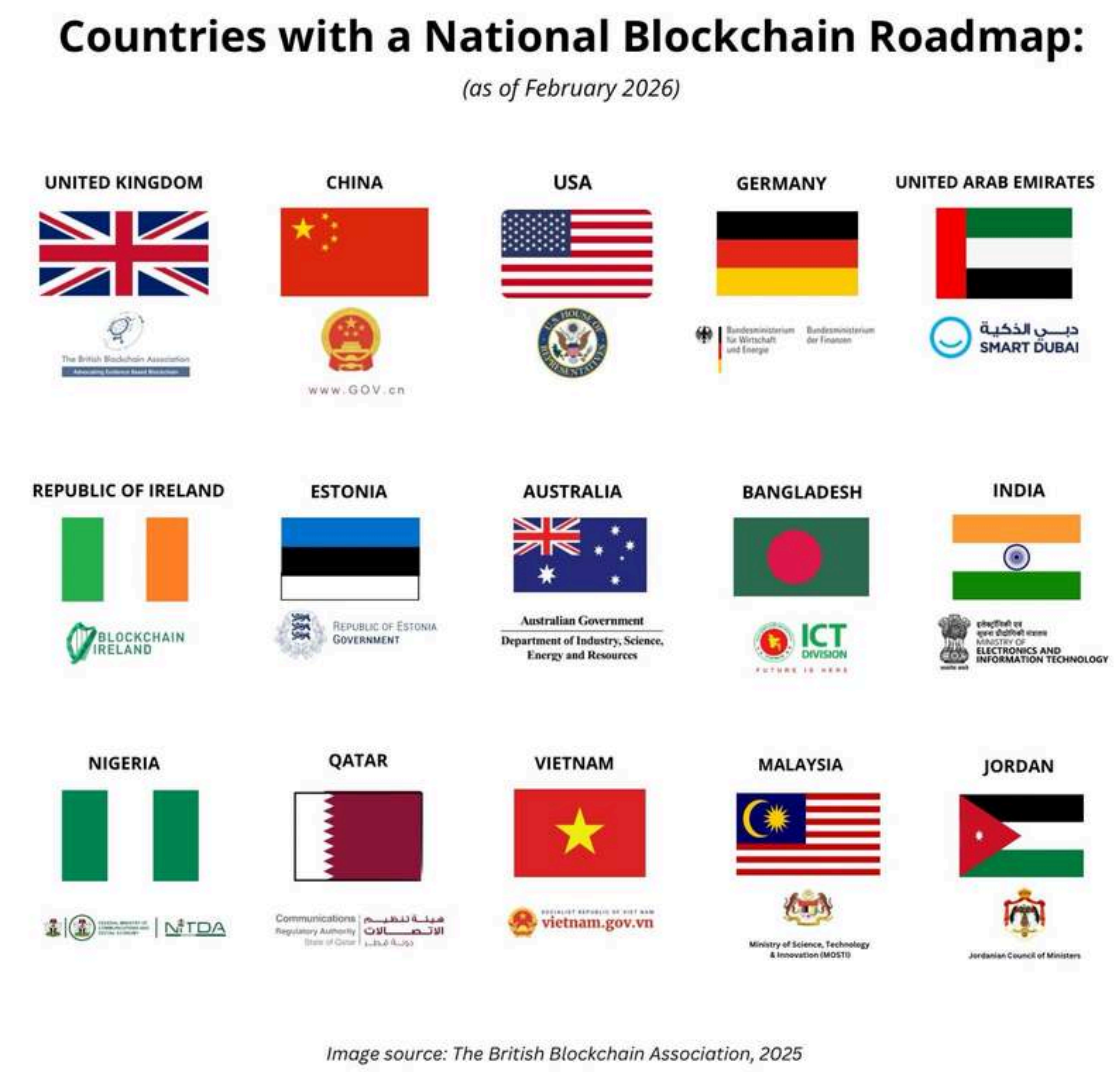
UK National Blockchain Roadmap (UKNBR)



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🌍 Countries with a National Blockchain Roadmap, as of February 2026.

10 Key Parallels: US Blockchain Act 2025 vs UK Blockchain Roadmap 2021

10 striking similarities between the American Blockchain Deployment Act 2025 and the UK National Blockchain Roadmap 2021.

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