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## The Monaco International Blockchain : a new knowledge hub in the Principality of Monaco

The **Monaco International Blockchain - powered by Monoeci** (M.I.B.) took place on May 16th & 17th at the Grimaldi Forum, in the Principality of Monaco.

This first professional event dedicated to the Blockchain welcomed more than 600 attendees during two days of conferences, keynotes, mixing insights and business networking.

This new blockchain summit started with a welcoming breakfast by **Ronny Tome**, CEO of **Ducatus**, who came supported by all his team to present their last achievements in Dubai.

To get into the substance, M.I.B. offered two panels discussions about legislation and finance, with experts such as **Naeem Aslam** (blockchain analyst for **Think Markets**), **Cal Evans** (Managing Consultant at **Gresham International**), **Ethan Pierse** (Director of **CryptoAsset Institute**), **Arnaud Auger Sengputa** (**Atelier BNP Paribas**) and **Thibault Verbiest** (Fintech lawyer) ; this two hot topics were moderated by **Remy** and **Christophe Ozcan**, founders of **Crypto4All**, a renown consulting service company based in Paris.

During the break, and thanks to our partners **Green Cafe, My Sushi & La Brasserie de Monaco**, attendees were also able to buy their food and coffees while relaxing on **Rochebobois** sofa, using **Monoeci** Android or Light Wallet, which is a major demonstration of the power of this cryptocurrency, in Monaco.

Indeed, among the several exclusive presentations, **Monoeci** unveiled its own ATM to an amazed and captive audience ; proof that this event is more than ever at the center of the social and economic concerns of the world and of the Principality of Monaco, the M.I.B. had the honor to welcome **Frederic Genta** (Country Chief Digital Officer) among the official personalities :

*"One of Monaco's goals is to aggregate the world's knowledge and intelligence to be digital knowledge's hub : this type of quality event contributes to its success and is a great thing for the economic benefits and the image of Monaco »*



*Sébastien Icard (co-founder Monoeci) & Frédéric Genta (Country Chief Digital Officer)*

In addition to the conferences, the focus was on several ICO presentations, including **CREDITS**, represented by its CEO **Igor Chugonov**, **David Rovello** CEO of **Parkingo**, **Pierre-Yves Dittlot** CEO of **Ledgity**, **Jefferson Correia** CEO of **Smart Hab** or **Tom Light** from **Fashion TV** who launched its coin.

At the end of this first day, two societal subjects closed to the Principality of Monaco's DNA were massively followed by an attentive audience who listened to the discussions of **Ivan Catalin** (Member of European Parliament), **Sergio Garcia** (ICO Analyst), **Nikita Lukianets** (Pocket Confidant AI), all moderated by **Joël Happé**.

Then, during an exciting debate about ecology led by **Philippe Rodriguez** (Founder **Avolta**), **Pierre Paperon** (Founder **Solid**) and **Dr. Quy Vo-Reinhard**, these international experts demonstrated that **the Blockchain is also a powerful asset for all technologies aimed at ensuring a sustainable environment for our planet.**

As a concrete exemple, the french-based company, **BigBang**, launched in exclusivity during M.I.B. its ecological heating system, based on Blockchain technology and philosophy.

The second day of the event started with a focus on hardware, animated by **Henok Tekle** (Founder **AlphaChain**), **Joe Petrowski**, **Pierre Paperon** and **Jöel Happé**, where these experts demonstrate to an informed and technical audience how the Blockchain can changes the web.

Following this electrifying discussion, **Thierry Poyet** (World of Blockchains), **Sébastien Icard** (Monoeci), **Christophe Ozcan** (Crypto4All) and **Kim Dauthel** (Solid) presented their respective arguments regarding the place of the Principality of Monaco in the global economy.

Several pitches were also organized on the main stage, covering different topics such as **education** by **Tutellus** with **Miguel Caballero**, **real estate** by **Clever Place**, **employment** by **FlipNpik** with **Nadira Hajjar**, **healthcare** by **Neuronytics** or **Gladage** with **Shakeel Shaik**, **retail** by **Universal Rewards Protocol** with **Yves Benchimol**, **service platform** by **HiDone** with **Bogdan Wisniewski**, **customers loyalty program** by **Sandblock** with **Sarah-Diane Eck** and **environment** by **MonacoCrowdfunding-AMPM** (Association Monégasque pour la Protection de la **Nature** ) who used **Monoeci** to raise funds during its presentation.

International blockchain key-players such as **Bethereum**, represented by **Martin Herman** recognized that the first edition of M.I.B. is a new and excellent opportunity to connect with qualified investors and attendees from all over the world as a great chance to belong to this advanced ecosystem.

To complete the roundup on this disruptive world, focus has been made on economy and how traditional businesses adapt to this new paradigm, led by **Christophe Doré (MoneyTrack)** and **Fabio LaFranca (Station 12)**, serial entrepreneur **Evan Luthra (Almora)** and **Gilles Mentré** from **Lazard**.

Finally and for the last panel discussion regarding the forecast and analysis of the cryptocurrency market, many experts such as **Kirill Nikolaev** or **Wael Rajab** gave to the audience the keys to invest in this market.

Following the success of this first edition, thanks to the support of the sponsors, exhibitors and participants, the M.I.B. is pleased to announce its second edition on **November 29th and 30th**, at the Grimaldi Forum, in the Principality of Monaco.

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