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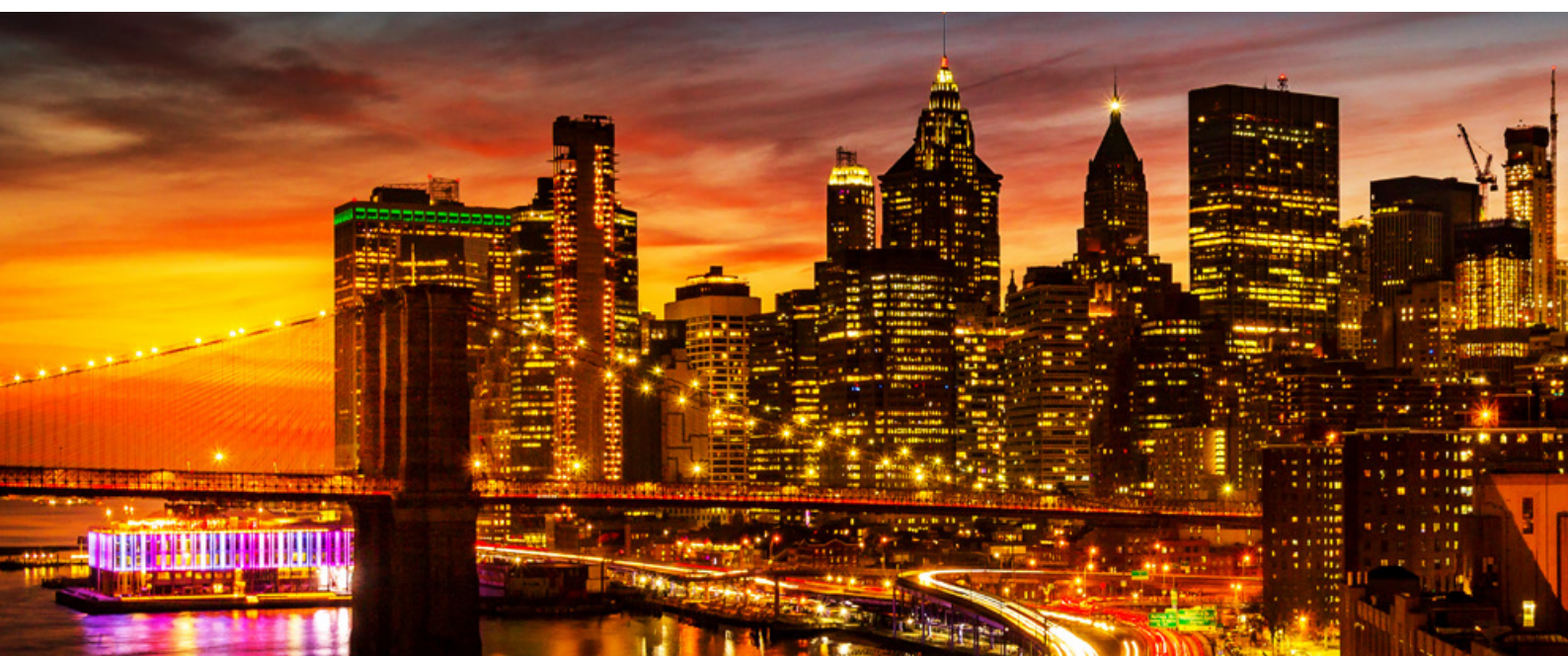
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Investor appetite for digital assets continues to rise while the cryptocurrency world becomes more institutionalized, with robust infrastructure and frameworks which are familiar to investors.

In a nascent asset class like the digital space, trustworthy partners are invaluable as investors can leverage their expertise and be adeptly guided through this new landscape.

This report showcases the leaders in digital assets as selected in the inaugural Hedgeweek US Digital Assets Awards 2022. Read on to celebrate the best managers and service providers supporting investor needs and encouraging growth and maturity in the market by listening to their clients.



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CHRIS MATTA

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We at 3iQ are thrilled to win Hedgeweek’s Best Americas Digital Asset Fund (AUM less than 25M) for our Global Cryptoasset Fund. This fund was one of the first in the industry to offer accredited investors exposure to a portfolio of multiple cryptoassets. Since its inception in 2018, the fund has been consistently acknowledged for its performance and it’s rewarding to receive continued recognition.

This fund kicked off 3iQ’s journey in the digital asset space. As the asset class matures, we continue to evolve the strategy by providing access to emerging technologies that further diversify and broaden the exposure in the portfolio. We are dedicated to continued innovation by providing value-add solutions for investors across the entire Web 3 landscape. Thank you Hedgeweek voters for the recognition! Keep an eye on this space as we continue to evolve and generate more long-term value for our investors.

COMPANY INFO

3iQ Corp. (3iQ) is a Digital Asset Management firm founded in 2012 by investment industry veteran Fred Pye. 3iQ’s mission—then and now—is to provide investors access to the returns of digital assets inside traditional financial accounts. Since 2012, 3iQ has forged ahead with many “firsts” in digital asset investing. In 2017, 3iQ became the first regulated Digital Asset Investment Fund Manager in Canada. Shortly after, 3iQ launched the Global Crypto Asset Fund, one of the industry’s first funds based on a diversified portfolio of multiple crypto assets. Additionally, 3iQ launched North America’s first major-exchange listed Bitcoin and Ether Funds in 2020, fast-followed in 2021 by the Bitcoin and Ethereum ETFs in collaboration with CoinShares. Building off the momentum created by introducing innovative solutions to the marketplace since its founding, 3iQ is an industry thought leader that is committed to delivering new products and solutions that will continue to define digital asset investment management.

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- 2018 3iQ Global Cryptoasset Fund is launched - one of the industry's **first** funds based on a diversified portfolio of multiple crypto assets.
- 2020 **First** major-exchange listed Bitcoin and Ether Funds launched
- 2021 3iQ launches one of the world's **first** Bitcoin and Ether ETFs in collaboration with CoinShares
- 2022 **3iQ Global Cryptoasset Fund** wins Hedgeweek's Best Americas Digital Asset Fund (AUM less than \$25MM)



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We'd like to thank Global Fund Media, Barclay Hedge, our investors, and partners for their support of us and the community. We're optimistic on the growth of crypto and looking forward to a successful 2022.



COMPANY INFO

Coincident Capital focuses on capturing superior risk-adjusted returns through long and short trading of leading cryptocurrencies.

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Seward & Kissel's Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Group is an inter-disciplinary group that was formed to advise clients on issues arising from investments in assets based on blockchain or Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT). The Group has advised clients on projects involving cryptoassets, DeFi, and blockchain enterprise solutions.

The Group includes experts in securities laws, capital markets, private and public funds, Fintech laws and regulations, sanctions and anti-money laundering laws, tax, commodities, investment advisers, broker-dealers, complex derivatives, and intellectual property and technology. They draw on the Firm's long history and deep understanding of financial services and products to assist clients with solving legal issues that arise from utilizing blockchain and distributed ledger technology to disrupt existing, less efficient processes and technology.

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We're delighted to have received this recognition for the strength of our technology, directly from our clients, especially in the inaugural year of these awards.

“The accelerated increase in engagement in this nascent asset class over the past 18 months, has led institutions to search for solutions to the most common obstacles to trading crypto – security and speed. The goal of our infrastructure is to ensure that fund managers can allocate funds to digital assets as effectively and securely as they're accustomed to in traditional markets. Our ClearLoop product instantly settles trades and without having to pre-fund exchanges, a game changer for investors. We will continue to build out our product offering to keep pace with industry developments and maintain Copper's status as a best-in-class solution for institutional crypto investment.”



COMPANY INFO

Copper is transforming how institutional investors engage with digital assets, providing market-leading infrastructure in addition to custody, trading and prime brokerage solutions. Our award-winning custody application leverages the genius of multi-party computation (MPC) encryption and can be configured to support cold, warm, and hot wallet solutions. Asset managers are further protected by our pioneering ClearLoop network, which enables off-exchange trading and settlement at tier-1 digital asset exchanges. An offering enhanced by the availability of uncollateralised lending. Copper's secure wallet architecture is available as a standalone application, a mobile app, and a browser extension for smart contract signing.

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SADIS & GOLDBERG LLP:

BEST LAW FIRM – FUND STRUCTURING

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We have been fortunate to represent managers located throughout the United States, as well as across Europe, Canada, Central America, South America, Asia, as well the Middle East,” says Geffner. “While our clients employ a broad range of investment strategies, over the last several years we have seen a material growth in sponsors launching private equity funds, venture capital funds and real estate funds, utilizing strategies such as digital currency, cannabis, healthcare, technology, media and telecommunications, as well as alternative financing strategies such as hard money lending, asset-backed lending and litigation finance. In addition, we’ve seen a continued demand for equity and quantitative-related strategies; global macro, equity long/short, debt and distressed debt.”

COMPANY INFO

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GEORGE ZARYA CEO & FOUNDER

“The BEQUANT team and I could not be happier to receive such a prestigious award. The work that has been put in is testament to the dedication and determination of everyone who has been involved with BEQUANT in the last four years. Since becoming one of the first regulated exchanges in European and then a regulated prime broker, our journey has been meteoric and mesmeric.

” This award is not only recognition of us as a company, but also our fantastic client base. We have been trusted and supported by these clients since BEQUANT Pro's inception and have built one of the most comprehensive digital assets prime brokerage platforms on the market for their needs.

We are thrilled that this has been recognised by Hedgeweek and we look forward to welcoming the next generation of prime brokerage clients.



COMPANY INFO

BEQUANT, the digital asset prime brokerage and exchange, is where traditional investing meets cryptocurrency - a one stop solution for professional digital asset investors and institutions.

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COHEN & COMPANY:

BEST TAX & AUDIT PROVIDER

JAMIE GASIOROWSKI

CPA, DIRECTOR, ASSURANCE



“It’s humbling to be recognized in the digital asset space by Hedgeweek, our clients and peers, and it is a testament to how hard our team has worked. It is a privilege to help add credibility to such an important industry and to work with great people who want to drive it forward. We are thankful for great partners and clients who have pioneered this space with us, and for the opportunity for our own team to evolve as we help to institutionalize the industry.”

COMPANY INFO

One of the leading digital asset audit, tax and consulting practices in the country, Cohen & Company has served over 100 funds, custodians and blockchain technology companies in this space. We have experience with different types of digital assets, including the standard tokens as well as emerging digital assets. We have been instrumental in helping our clients transform their accounting, tax and operational controls practices to handle the dynamics of the digital assets ecosystem. Our team offers robust expertise analyzing the nuances inherent to digital assets and the underlying blockchain protocols, including developing best practices for the treatment of staking, lending, yield farming and other decentralized finance activities. Cohen & Company was founded in 1977; has more than 650 associates in Illinois, Ohio, Maryland, Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin; and through affiliated entities has an international presence in the Cayman Islands and Ireland.

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BEST TRADING PLATFORM

NICK CARMI
CEO, BITGO PRIME



“BitGo is honored to receive this award. The leader in digital asset financial services, we provide institutional investors with liquidity, custody, and security solutions – accounting for 20% of all on-chain Bitcoin transactions and currently holding \$60 billion plus in assets under custody. While we initially became known in the marketplace for pioneering multi-signature security and becoming the first qualified custodian purpose-built for digital assets, we also offer our clients market-leading trading, lending, and borrowing services through our prime brokerage services – for which we’re grateful to receive this award for excellence. Today, BitGo’s customer base includes hundreds of the world’s largest cryptocurrency exchanges and institutional investors, spanning more than 50 countries”

COMPANY INFO

BitGo is the leader in custody and security solutions with over \$64 billion in assets under custody. Founded in 2013, BitGo pioneered the multi-signature wallet and is the first digital asset company to focus exclusively on serving institutional clients. In 2018, it launched BitGo Trust Company, the first qualified custodian purpose-built for storing digital assets and established BitGo New York Trust in 2021. BitGo secures approximately 20 per cent of all on-chain Bitcoin transactions by value and supports more than 400 digital assets within its platform. BitGo provides the security and operational backbone for more than 600 institutional clients in 50 countries, including many regulated entities and the world’s top cryptocurrency exchanges and platforms.

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NAV FUND ADMINISTRATION: BEST ADMINISTRATOR

SAMUEL CRISPINO SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

NAV Fund Administration (“NAV”) is honored to be the inaugural recipient of the Best Administrator award at the HedgeWeek US Digital Assets Awards 2022. Thank you to everyone who voted, to our clients, and to the NAV Fund Administration team, who have all made this possible.

This award is especially meaningful as it represents the evolution of the industry to a new, digital frontier. NAV was established thirty years ago, and this award recognizes how we have grown and adapted as an organization committed to putting technology at the forefront of our business. It celebrates the diligence and dedication of our team, and our commitment to the industry. It’s an honor and we thank you.



COMPANY INFO

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We are extremely honored to be receiving the Best Law Firm – Overall in the Hedgeweek US Digital Assets Awards. We are very grateful to our clients and industry colleagues for the recognition that we have received for our work in the Global Blockchain and Cryptocurrency industry. This award is a testament to Seward & Kissel’s commitment to the digital asset industry and our client-first approach to solving complex legal issues that arise with an emerging industry.

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