## **EDITORIAL**

As an Associate Editor-in-Chief of The JBBA, it gives me great pleasure to author the editorial of the 4th Issue of the journal. The papers that were accepted for publication in this issue are the following:

The Contractual Cryptoeconomy: An Arrow of Time for Economics', by Prateek Goorha

'Cryptocurrency Investing Examined', by Prof Jim Kyung-Soo Liew, Ph.D. of The Johns Hopkins University

'Singapore's Open Digital Token Offering Embrace: Context & Consequences', by Prof David Lee of Stanford University and Robert Greene of Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS)

'A Blockchain Infrastructure for Transportation in Low Income Country Cities, and Beyond' by Simon Herko

'Blockchain Investigations - Beyond the 'Money', by Simon Dyson of NHS Digital

'A Review of fast-growing Blockchain Hubs in Asia' By Caroline Lim of SUSS, and

Transitioning to a Hyperledger Fabric Quantum-Resistant Classical Hybrid Public Key Infrastructure' by Rob Campbell of Capitol Technology University

These research papers combine a savant blend of exploratory skills, intellectual curiosity, innovative thinking and scientific rigour. In this sense, we are delighted to publish cutting-edge research that lies at the deeper level of investigative science, beyond mere surface phenomena and the often decried hype, to outline and demonstrate the true benefits of this revolutionary technology for the industry and society at large. The journal has become a global platform for academics and scientists, who wish to work together constructively and make decisions based on the best available evidence.

The selection process for these publications has systematically relied on evidence-based practices and double-blind peer-review. Subject matter experts with a track record of excellence in scientific research provided us with their structured reviews. These reviews formed the basis of the final editorial decision made by the Editor-in-Chief. The review board assessed the submissions according to several well-defined criteria to decide whether the research was effectively pushing back the boundaries of knowledge. This ensured that we establish how the technology could be used beyond the initial (and much popularised) incentive layers of cryptocurrency protocols and financial services, so as to benefit the academic community, industry leaders and society at large. The high-quality research of today will fulfil the transformative potential of the technology and will lead to the new architectures, the new interfaces and higher decentralisation forces of tomorrow, within public and private organisations. Moreover, we now have the opportunity to enhance the evidence-based approach to policy design and policy recommendations.

The JBBA is now read in over 150 countries; it is available in the online repositories at the most prestigious universities worldwide, and is decisively advancing the strategic agenda of evidence-based practices in the field of blockchain and distributed ledger technologies.

Lastly, I would like to thank our Editor-in-Chief, Dr Naseem Naqvi FRCP FBBA who entrusted me more than a year and a half ago with this noble mission of being an Associate EIC for the journal. His devotion, relentless efforts, passion and enthusiasm, are an integral part of what makes The JBBA a tremendously successful endeavour. Other heartfelt thanks go to all the reviewers, fellow editors, authors, The JBBA and the BBA staff; the global blockchain community would be a much smaller place without you.

I hope you find the contents of the journal enjoyable and beneficial to yourself and your institution. Please send us your comments to help strengthen our efforts.

Sincerely,

Marc Pilkington PhD FBBA Associate Editor in Chief