



# The State of Government Blockchain

## June 2018

GBA is committed to helping individuals and organizations understand, implement and benefit from blockchain technologies.



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## Message from the President

I've heard many people say that 2018 will be the year that this technology takes off like a rocket. However, most people forget that for a rocket to take off, there is a whole lot of support and infrastructure that must be built. But, nobody sees that. It just falls away as the rocket sails into the heavens.



The past month, we have built a whole lot of infrastructure. Not as fast, or even as well as I would have hoped. We have certainly had our mission challenges. But, despite that, I owe a great deal of gratitude to a global team who has accomplished an extraordinary amount of progress.

We have teams around the world putting on amazing events. From our London chapter hosting hackathons to our Denver chapter hosting global blockchain summits. Our Chapter leaders around the world are working with government leaders like an SEC Chairman from Asia, legislators, regulators, administrators and private sector leaders. GBA members are being recognized and selected for prestigious awards and responsibilities. The President of our Paris chapter was selected to work with the European Union to craft blockchain policy. Governments around the world are beginning to look at the GBA as their partner in solving government problems with blockchain solutions.

Yes, we have built a lot of infrastructure. We still need to build more. But, the real fuel of our accomplishments has been the quality of the people in our network. They bring to the table the passion, sense of mission, and dedication to solve problems. Their can-do attitude along with their team spirit has launched this rocket. Now, it's our job to guide this rocket, to boldly go where no one has gone before.

For that reason, we are now going to focus on training, education, and certifications. Our Education & Training Working Group along with our Training Program Director will be rolling out a global training and certification program to help all of us accomplish our missions. Come back to our site often. You will see lots of new resources and navigational aids in the next few months.

For now, fasten your seatbelts and HODL (Hold On For Dear Life). It's going to be a wild ride.

Gerard Dache  
President  
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## Upcoming Events

| City      | June | Event  |
|-----------|------|--|
|           | 9    | <a href="#">Blockchain Foundations</a>                         |
|           | 10   | <a href="#">Cryptocurrencies, Rules and Regulations</a>        |
| Atlanta   | 11   | <a href="#">Blockchain Solution Architecture</a>               |
|           | 12   | <a href="#">Managing Blockchain Projects</a>                   |
|           | 13   | <a href="#">Leading Through Disruptive Paradigm Shifts</a>     |
| Dallas    | 28   | <a href="#">Blockchain in Shared Services</a>                  |
| Denver    | 19   | <a href="#">Colorado Secretary of State - Crypto Donations</a> |
| Las Vegas | 21   | <a href="#">Smart Contracts and ICOs</a>                       |
| London    | 6    | <a href="#">Blockchain International Show London (BIS)</a>     |
|           | 15   | <a href="#">GBA London Hackathon (June 15-16)</a>              |
| New York  | 11   | <a href="#">World Blockchain Forum</a>                         |
| Reno      | 13   | <a href="#">Supply Chain Block Talk</a>                        |

- Save the Dates (October 18 -20): GBA Leadership Forum in Denver, CO
- [GBA Certification Training](#) – More information listed at [GBA Training Page](#). To host a GBA certified Training Course, complete the [Training Request Form](#).

## GBA News

- [The Government Blockchain Association \(GBA\) establishes relationship with the United Nations Blockchain Commission for Sustainable Development](#)
- [The Government Blockchain Association Bangladesh Chapter hosted a meeting with Dr. M. Khairul Hossain, Chairman of the SEC in Bangladesh and GBA leaders from the US.](#)
- [GBA Paris Chapter President Selected for European Union \(EU\) Blockchain Working Group](#)
- [GBA at the 21st World Land Registration Congress in Cartagena, Columbia](#)

## GBA Publications

The following publications have been added to the [GBA Publications Library](#) since the last Newsletter:

- Bitcoin: A Peer-to-Peer Electronic Cash System (White Paper)
- Blockchain and U.S. State Governments
- Blockchain in Pharma: Opportunities in the Supply Chain
- Blockchain in the Energy Industry
- Federal Blockchain News Weekly - May 25, 2018
- GBA at the 21st World Land Registration Congress in Columbia
- GBA Available Resources
- Government Blockchain Whitepaper
- Theology and Technology: How the Blockchain can influence Biblical Scholarship
- Winning Government Blockchain Work

## GBA Advisory Boards & Strategic Priorities

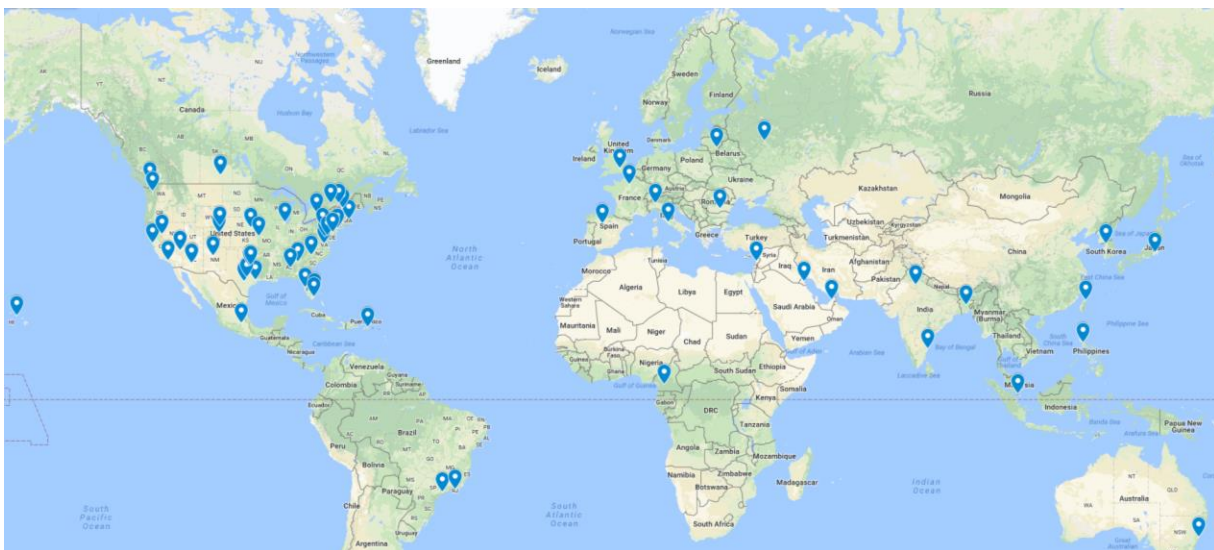


The GBA is in the process of establishing three advisory boards to provide oversight and make recommendations to the GBA leadership team to ensure that the GBA continues to serve its members. The advisory boards are:

- Corporate Advisory Board
- Working Group Advisory Board
- Chapter Leader Advisory Board

## GBA Chapter Locations

GBA has expanded to many cities around the world. If you are interested in starting a chapter, please go to [Professional Chapter Application](#) or [Student Chapter Application](#). Current GBA Chapters are located here:



We are looking forward to establishing a GBA chapter in every major city in the world.

## GBA Speakers Directory

If you would like to be listed in the GBA Speakers Directory, please indicate on your member profile that you are open to speaking opportunities. GBA is contacted all the time for speakers at conferences, panels, and events. We usually refer them to the [GBA Member Search](#) or the [Active Chapter Page](#). Any GBA Professional Member interested in speaking or being found for opportunities should make sure that they are listed on these pages.

## Organizational Directory

The [GBA Organizational Directory](#) is being organized into sub-directories to help member companies be found by the right people. Some of the new sub-categories are:

- [Cybersecurity](#)
- [Energy](#)
- [Genomics](#)
- [ICO Advisors](#)
- [Mining](#)
- [Training](#)

## Working Groups

The GBA has established the following Working Groups. Please go to the [Working Groups Page](#) for more information.

- Asset Management
- Budgeting, Appropriations & Tracking
- Cannabis
- Contract Management
- Cybersecurity
- Economic Analysis.
- Education and Training
- Education and Training - Early Education
- Energy
- Financial Regulatory & Compliance
- Government Ontology
- Health Care
- Identity Management
- Intellectual Property
- Land Titling
- Legislative & Legal
- Mining
- Records Management
- Smart City
- Supply Chain
- Voting

## [Communities of Interests \(Cols\)](#)

The GBA has established the following Communities of Interest. Please go to the [Communities of Interests](#) page for more



- Banking and Finance Industry
- Defense Infosec
- Development - Ethereum
- Development - Hashgraph
- Development - Hyperledger
- European Committee
- Government Executives
- Healthcare Insurance
- International Organizations
- Investors & Startups
- Smart Contract Auditing
- Social Impact
- Universities and Colleges
- Washington State Blockchain Community

