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What is Money? The Theory of Money, Cryptocurrencies, and Implications for Financial Stability and National Security by Prof. Jeffery Zhang Assistant Professor of Law, Michigan Law

DATE: Saturday, March 25, 2023

TIME: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (HST)

A Brief Preview of Prof. Jeffery Zhang's Talk:

Since Bitcoin arrived on the scene in 2009, innovators have created thousands of cryptocurrencies—digital representations of tokens that reside on blockchains. Some view them as the future of money. But what is “money”? We begin with an exploration of the economic theory and history of money. These building blocks will allow us to assess digital assets like cryptocurrencies, stablecoins, and central bank digital currencies. We will focus on their implications for financial stability, monetary sovereignty, and national security.

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Prof. Jeffery Zhang (Boston College, AB; Harvard University, J.D.; Yale University, Ph.D) is an Assistant Professor of Law at Michigan Law. He teaches and writes on financial regulation and digital assets. Prior to joining the University of Michigan, Professor Zhang served as a senior attorney in the Federal Reserve Board’s Legal Division and, prior to that, as an economist in the Board’s Division of Supervision and Regulation. He also served in the White House Council of Economic Advisers during the Obama and Biden administrations.

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