Can Blockchain be used to combat fraud?

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Fraud is diverse



Allocating more subsidies than there's land/animals



Setting up tenders for a particular candidate



Completing the work with low quality with no control



Spending money on hollow consultancy projects

Fraud



Key Strengths of blockchain

Provably Immutable* Distributed Trustless Hyped ☺

* Conditions apply



Main drawbacks of blockchain

Expensive (if public)

Volatile

Not scalable

Not mature



Can blockchain address the big problems?



Allocating more subsidies than there's land/animals

No, you have to measure/count



Setting up tenders for a particular candidate

No, you need semantic and pragmatic analysis of the text



Completing the work with low quality with no control

No, blockchain can't do quality control and surprise inspections



Spending money on hollow consultancy projects

No, but you can use machine learning to identify those



So....it's useless?



No. But it's not a silver bullet.

Its strength lies in

guaranteeing data integrity



Can blockchain help solve document problems?



Changing or deleting documents prior to inspection

Yes, it can protect documents



Modifying IoT measurements after collection

Yes, it can guarantee data is not modified



Tampering with random commission assignments

Yes, the original choices can be securely recorded



Changing offers after opening "the envelopes"

Yes, no new documents can be back-dated



But there are still issues with scalability, volatility and price...



Two approaches





(For multi-organization setups)



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Tamper-evident

eIDAS-compliant

Fast and scalable

Anchored to Ethereum

Performs fraud detection

Reduced fraud



HyperLedger



Shared, immutable database

Decentralized

Relatively fast

Supports smart contracts

Allows additional analytics

Reduced fraud



Proposed use-cases



- ✓ Proving that documents are not tampered with
- ✓ Preserving the integrity of sensor data in agriculture
- ✓ Improving upon qualified timestamps to prevent deleting offers
- ✓ Automatic detection of anomalous behaviour



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- ✓ Shared database of documents across institutions in multiple EU countries
- ✓ Executing smart contracts when a due date is reached



Other positive effects



Increased public trust (through verifiability)



Allowing investigators to focus on physical world fraud



Reluctance to perform fraud



Digital forensic evidence



Blockchain can be the right tool for the job and help in preventing fraud



Thank you!

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