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## **Digital EU currency: GULDEN (GLD)**

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Mon, Mar 15, 2021 at 1:55 AM

The euro belongs to Europeans and we are its guardian. We should be prepared to issue a digital euro, should the need arise.

Christine Lagarde, President of the ECB

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like, if I may, to suggest a topic for discussion at the Monetary Dialogue on 18 March 2021. Please take my opinion with a grain of salt.

The expression "digital euro" is not good enough. I suggest a new name for our new digital currency: Gulden (GLD). It is bold and strong, and heralds a new era in the EU. I hope our Dutch colleagues will not object to it. Here's the crux of the proposal. Will be happy to elaborate in details.

The digital Gulden will be pegged 1:1 to the Euro: 1 GLD = 1 EUR. GLD will not not replace cash, but rather complement it. It will be an electronic form of money issued by the Eurosystem (the ECB and national central banks) and accessible to all citizens and firms. Every EU citizen and firm will be able to open a concurrent bank account in GLD (1 EUR = 1 GLD) and conduct all financial operations with GLD, including paying for all goods and services with her/his phone (think Alipay).

NB: The incentives to use GLD are 2% (Sic!) reduced tax. For example, if I have 50,000 GLD annual income and will have to pay 20,000 GLD taxes in my EU country of residence, I will pay 2% less. Just 2%. If I used EUR, I will have to pay 20,000 EUR taxes. I hope all EU countries will agree.

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Again, I stand ready to elaborate on the Gulden (GLD), should you find the proposal interesting.

Wishing you and Mme Lagarde a fruitful meeting on 18 March 2021,

Yours sincerely,

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### **Explanatory Note**

In my initial email from 15 March 2021 above, I wrote:

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How can we bypass SWIFT and create our new EU alternative? What is the "twist" here? Use blockchain technology for transactions with GLD, based on Ethereum 2.0 with minimal gas tax. This will make our Gulden (GLD) the best digital currency, much better than the digital yuan (eCNY), and one day people all over the world will flock to Gulden (GLD). This is the "twist".

**NB**: The "lizard" (European Central Bank) must cut off its "tail". The sooner, the better. Here by "tail" I mean the *dependence* of EU banks on their deposit base in EUR. Use GLD instead. All transactions over 50,000 GLD can be monitored and scrutinized via new GLD IBANs. **Yes we can**.

All fiat currencies are doomed to fade away. This is our new Zeitgeist. Nobody can drive it back. As of today, the ECB's Governing Council might only decide in the coming months whether to begin a formal investigation regarding the possible launch of a "digital euro". All people at the ECB's Governing Council are still gently 'thinking'. It will be painful for the "lizard" to cut off its "tail", but we must be fully prepared to embrace GLD, along with the upcoming 5G network.

Do we have any alternative? Not anymore. Read about the first "crack" from our new Zeitgeist:

China's digital yuan displaces the dollar. \$16 trillion of US dollar deposits may disappear. by David P. Goldman, April 21, 2021.

https://asiatimes.com/2021/04/chinas-digital-yuan-displaces-the-dollar/

The \$16 trillion of offshore dollar deposits at international banks won't turn into the equivalent amount of Chinese yuan. Instead, that \$16 trillion will shrink to a small fraction of its present volume, because the Big Tech/fintech revolution will make them redundant. Instead, as Morgan Stanley analysts explained this week, "banks will lose their deposit base" as digital currencies replace their most basic functions.

What Western analysts fail to grasp is that China is **not** trying to take the place of the United States. Rather, China is creating a new system of world trade and finance that will - as a byproduct - replace the methods of trade financing. With the advent of smart logistics, just-in-time inventory management and just-in-time payments for goods in world trade, exporters won't have to write contracts in foreign currency for payments due months ahead, and buy expensive hedges against currency market fluctuations. They will just receive payment in their own CBDC. China's dominance in digital currency will follow naturally from its position as the world's top exporter. And because the digital yuan will be the largest currency in international trade, and China will have a market leader advantage in introducing CBDC's, other exporters will use the digital yuan as a matter of convenience. The digital system will hollow out the deposit base of the banking system, most emphatically for international trade financing. Reserve currencies won't disappear, but they will become vestigial.

The US will lose this enormous volume of cheap credit from the rest of the world just when it needs it the most.



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# Re: Digital EU currency: GULDEN (GLD) (#4 - 125353)

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To: ECB Information <info@ecb.int>

Tue, May 11, 2021 at 1:07 PM

Dear Mrs Finkernagel-Eid,

Thank you for your feedback. You wrote that the ECB's Governing Council "will only decide in the coming months whether to begin a formal investigation regarding the possible launch of a digital euro", as if we have any alternative. We don't, in my opinion.

Please see my renewed proposal attached (ECB\_Gulden.pdf). I am always ready to elaborate in details.

Yours sincerely,

Dimitar G. Chakalov

On Tue, 11 May 2021 12:38:22 +0200,

Message-ID: <f4b57b\$4eik4m@esaap012.ecb01.ecb.de>,

ECB Information <info@ecb.int> wrote:

> Dear Mr Chakalov,

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> Thank you for your renewed email.

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- > What we meant to say was that we are still in the project phase of a central bank
- > digital currency. The ECB's Governing Council will only decide in the coming months
- > whether to begin a formal investigation regarding the possible launch of a digital euro.
- > Hence discussing a name is too early at this stage.

> However, we are happy to keep your contact for future reference.

> Yours sincerely,

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> Eva Finkernagel-Eid

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Wed, Jul 14, 2021 at 10:18 PM

Dear Dr. Panetta,

Please see my proposal for digital EU currency attached (ECB\_Gulden.pdf).

Should you or any of your colleagues have questions, I will be happy to elaborate.

Kind regards,

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