Emergent Centralized Chinese Cryptocurrency Challenges Status of U.S. Dollar, Pre-Emptive Action from Utah Legislators Needed

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About Me

- Senior
- Economics and Finance, and Political Science Departments
 - Minor in Anticipatory Intelligence
- Former fellow at the Center for Growth and Opportunity
- Hometown: Logan, Utah
- Post graduation: pursue career in government affairs in Washington, DC.

How I Got Started

- Joining the Center for Growth and Opportunity introduced me to innovative and real-world applications of economic theories
- My minor in Anticipatory Intelligence encourages me to look at the cross-sections between seemingly disparate areas to locate, research, and assess the accelerating national security threats



My Project

- Synthesized evidence on Chinese centralized cryptocurrency and its implication on U.S. national security
- Posed policy recommendations for relevant government and intelligence organizations

My Results

- China's digital currency rising through blockchain and cryptocurrencies
- Rise has catalyzed a set of threats against the hegemonic status of the US dollar
- This will ultimately disrupt global and local trade systems



Impact on Utah

- Silicon Slopes technology sphere is at risk for impact by digital currency changes
- Utah Legislature should pre-emptively create plans to accommodate cryptocurrencies, especially vis-a-vis trade with China

My Research Experience

- Research helps identify problems in the world and figuring out solutions to them helps me find my role in the world
- My research experience highlights how interconnected my fields of interest are
- Made me understand how important it is for academia and policymakers to work together