

Risk Disclosure

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Bitpanda places the utmost importance in protecting customers and customer assets through the implementation of robust risk management practices. Despite this, the use of the Bitpanda Platform and certain Transactions carry risks that are beyond the control of Bitpanda and Bitpanda shall have no liability for such risks.

A non-exhaustive list of these risks is set out in this Annex. Other product-specific risks may also apply, and in some cases, particularly for financial instruments, these are set out in the specific Product Terms governing relevant Transactions and the applicable investor information documents. A discussion of the risks associated with a product contained in the User Agreement or product terms should not be regarded as a comprehensive disclosure of all risks.

General Risks of Investments

Every investment involves opportunities and risks. Investing in the Supported Assets offered on Bitpanda Platform carries inherent risks. In extreme cases, the invested amount may be lost entirely. You should carefully assess whether Bitpanda financial products align with your risk tolerance, investment objectives, financial and tax situation, personal and legal circumstances, and other relevant considerations. It is important to carefully evaluate whether Bitpanda financial products are suitable for your risk tolerance, investment goals, financial and tax circumstances, personal and legal conditions, and any other relevant factors.

Risk of depreciation in value, liquidity and extreme volatility

1. The value of the Supported Assets available on the Bitpanda Platform are typically determined by their current market price and therefore might experience extreme volatility and/or their value might decline to zero. Past performance of a certain Supported Asset does not indicate future results. Such investment is only suitable for users, who can bear a loss of the entire invested capital and should not be considered as or entered into with the expectation of a stable source of income.

Regulatory and jurisdictional risk

2. **Regulatory and legal risk.** It is possible that statutory or regulatory changes have material effects on the current setup of the Bitpanda Platform. Statutory or regulatory changes may also result in substantial modifications to any Supported Assets. Bitpanda is committed to design, modify and/or adapt the Bitpanda Platform in such a way that it complies with all applicable laws and regulations while at the same time retaining the flexibility for you, but cannot guarantee that certain regulatory or legal changes may result in the limitation or termination of certain services on any of the Bitpanda Platform.

3. **No financial advice.** The fact that Bitpanda has made a Supported Asset or a service available to you constitutes neither a recommendation to enter into a particular Transaction nor a representation that any product described on the website is suitable or appropriate for you. Many of the products involve significant risks, and you should not enter into any Transactions unless you have fully understood all such risks and have independently determined that such product is appropriate for you. You should not construe any of the information contained herein as financial, investment, trading, legal, regulatory, tax, or accounting advice.
4. **Risk of lack of financial compensation systems.** Be aware that in the majority of circumstances, financial services compensation schemes do not protect investments in Supported Assets because it is not a "specified investment" under the respective regulatory regimes – in other words, this type of investment is not recognised as the sort of investment warranting guarantees or protection.

Security and Access Risks

5. **Risk of software weakness.** The technology of crypto-assets and the underlying software applications and software platforms such as the smart contract systems and other involved software and technology as well as technical concepts and theories are still in an early development stage and unproven and out of Bitpanda's control or influence.

There is an inherent risk that the technology could contain weaknesses, vulnerabilities or bugs. These can cause, for example, the complete loss of any crypto-assets, even if the software and systems deployed under the control of Bitpanda function correctly.

Many of these technologies or software applications required for the sale, transfer or holding of crypto-assets are neither released by a software manufacturer nor in any other way certified by a central entity such that there would be a person or entity that could be held liable for such defects. Bitpanda uses and displays customary security certificates issued by third parties (certificate authorities) that are widely regarded as a security enhancing feature but ultimately cannot guarantee that the security certificates displayed on any Bitpanda Platform are valid or correct.

Always keeping your mobile apps offered by Bitpanda, your internet browser and the underlying operating systems up to date helps to mitigate certain risks and vulnerabilities.

6. **Risk of theft and internet vulnerability.** The software application and software platform underlying the Supported Assets, the smart contract system(s) and/or other technology components and/or platforms may be exposed to electronic or physical attacks that could

result in the irreversible theft or loss of Supported Assets or the theft or loss of private data.

7. **Risk of eliminating the benefits of 2FA.** Bitpanda strongly recommends that you use 2FA. Please note however, that the safety benefit of using 2FA is effectively eliminated if both factors can be accessed with the same credentials or devices.
8. **Risk of weak login credentials and risk of losing login credentials.** If you do not use the 2FA in cases provided for by us, any person with knowledge of your password and e-mail address may be able to access your Account and the Supported Assets **deposited** with the Bitpanda Platform and may make Transactions in your name.

The password you chose when registering an Account (as amended from time to time) may be subject to attacks, even if it is unique and only known to you. The risk is greater if the password is weak (in length and/or complexity) and/or if the password contains personal details (for example your name, date of birth or place of residence) and/or words included in a dictionary. Bitpanda recommends that you always choose a strong and unique password (that is not used with any other service provider) and that you use the 2FA. While stronger passwords are statistically (far) less likely to be successfully retrieved by an attacker, no password is fully safe.

While Bitpanda indicates the password strength of your password when an Account is registered, such indicator is calculated from general parameters, and does not verify whether your password may contain any of your personal details or words included in a dictionary and should thus be regarded as a guideline only.

9. **Risk of phishing and/or social engineering.** SMS and e-mail services are vulnerable to spoofing and phishing attacks. You should always log into your Account to review any Transactions or required actions if you have any uncertainty regarding the authenticity of any communication or notice. Phishing attacks often occur despite SMS or e-mail or equivalent services, via search engines or ads in search engines, or other fraudulent links. While Bitpanda strongly recommends participating in the 2FA, the 2FA cannot prevent successful phishing and/or social engineering attacks if your credentials including the 2F are disclosed in such an attack.
10. **Risk of blockchain mining attacks and other risks associated with blockchain.** The Supported Assets available on the Bitpanda Platform may be susceptible to attacks including but not limited to double-spend attacks, majority mining power attacks, "selfish-mining" attacks, and race condition attacks or any other mining or non-mining related attacks which are out of Bitpanda's influence and control.

You must be aware of the risks that technology carries and the inherent functionality and security risks, such as, but not limited to, the failure of hardware, software, and Internet network connections, the risk of malicious software introduction, the risk that third parties may obtain unauthorised access to information and/or assets (including your

cryptocurrencies) stored on your behalf, cyber attacks, crypto-asset network failure (such as failure and outages on the blockchain) or other types of attacks.

Risks associated with crypto-assets and crypto-market

11. **Risk of imperfect transaction processing.** Bitpanda uses "Nodes" on the respective blockchain, which scan each block for transactions (both deposits and withdrawals). As soon as such a transaction is identified, it is taken into account in Bitpanda's systems so that the customer affected by the transaction either receives a credit or the amount of crypto-assets held by them is reduced. It is possible that a Node does not record a transaction and therefore does not feed it into Bitpanda's systems. This is only relevant for transfers of crypto-assets from and to external wallets, not for trading processes on the Bitpanda Platform.
12. **Risk of abandonment/lack of success.** The allocation and the development of any Supported Asset might be abandoned for a number of reasons, including lack of interest from industry, community and/or the public, lack of funding, lack of commercial success or prospects (for example, caused by competing projects) which are out of Bitpanda's influence.

It could happen that Supported Assets units do not receive or retain any functionality or that there are material changes of all kinds to the functionality of such assets.

No Bitpanda Company makes any representation as to the current and future functionality, adoption or commercial success of any Supported Asset.
13. **Risks of soft and hard forks.** The protocols of crypto-assets may be subject to forks that change the underlying blockchain protocol rules. These forks may materially change the value, function or name of crypto-assets (for example, Ethereum and Ethereum Classic).
14. **Market and community risk.** Market and community risks may also be triggered and accelerated via communities that come together, for example in online forums, to discuss certain investment opportunities and products with the intention of placing jointly organized buy and sell offers which may lead to strong price fluctuations which carry a high risk of loss.
15. **Counterparty risk.** When providing certain services in respect to the Supported Assets, Bitpanda may, with the consent of the client, execute orders on behalf of the client or transmit an order for the client to a third party which means it might engage with a number of counterparties - including financial institutions and exchanges. Bitpanda has no control over the financial stability of counterparties that Bitpanda is required to interact with as part of the crypto market infrastructure. In the event that a counterpart defaults, Bitpanda may be unable to retrieve or transfer Supported Assets held, potentially resulting in a full or partial loss.

16. **Liquidity risks.** As not all crypto-assets are considered liquid assets (meaning that they can be quickly and easily converted into cash or a cash-equivalent with minimal loss in value) there may be limited options to sell or exchange your crypto-assets for fiat currencies or other assets, especially during periods of market volatility or low trading activity. Demand for certain crypto-assets may decrease, and it may take a considerable amount of time to complete a Transaction or require you to sell or exchange the crypto-asset at a price significantly lower than expected. As a result, there is a risk that you may not be able to liquidate your crypto-assets when needed. We advise all clients to carefully consider their liquidity needs and to ensure that they are comfortable with the possibility of illiquidity when investing in crypto-assets.
17. **Collateralization risk.** No Bitpanda Company takes any responsibility for Supported Assets that are or claim to be collateralised, backed or pegged by a currency that is a legal tender or any other asset of whatever form (for example, stablecoins) as all actions in connection to such Supported Assets are in the sole responsibility of its issuer (which no Bitpanda Company is) and no Bitpanda Company has discretion over such actions.
18. **Pricing and Execution risks.** Bitpanda may, with the consent of the client, execute orders on behalf of the client or transmit an order for the client to a third party. In such cases, please note that the price of crypto-assets can fluctuate significantly within short periods of time due to various factors, including market demand, regulatory changes, and general market sentiment.

The price at which you execute a trade may differ from the price displayed at the time you place your order due to delays in processing or changes in market conditions during execution. Additionally, the execution of your trade may be delayed or not occur at all during periods of high volatility or low liquidity. This could result in a less favourable price than anticipated, or even a failure to execute the transaction at your desired price. Crypto-asset markets are decentralised and often fragmented, meaning that prices can vary between different platforms or exchanges.

19. **Tax Risks.** The purchase, sale, exchange, holding and/or alienation of Supported Assets available may trigger tax consequences for you.

Bitpanda notes that while several countries have already implemented specific tax regulations for Supported Assets, further changes and/or additional tax regulations are to be expected. Bitpanda Companies may under certain circumstances (now and/or in the future) be required to deduct withholding tax. Withheld tax amounts are remitted to the tax authorities, and Bitpanda is unable to refund these amounts. Bitpanda will report information with respect to Transactions made by you and/or Supported Assets held by you to one or more tax authorities to the extent such reporting is required by applicable law. Bitpanda shall deduct and withhold tax on your Transactions to the extent such withholding is required by applicable law. Bitpanda will collect tax documents, certificates regarding your status as a taxpayer, as well as your tax identification number or similar information, as required by applicable law. You should conduct your own assessment of

your tax situation concerning Supported Assets and consult your tax advisor before making any decisions with respect to any Transactions.

Tax consequences often (but not always) depend on the tax laws of the country where you are tax resident and the international tax treaties that country has ratified. If Bitpanda is not obliged to withhold any taxes by law and such withholding does not constitute final taxation under the applicable tax laws, you are solely responsible to comply with all national and international tax laws from time to time applicable to you by virtue of using the Bitpanda Platform and holding, trading and/or exchanging the Supported Assets. Before you become a Bitpanda customer and before you make any Offer, as well as from time to time (for example, in connection with the annual tax return or financial statements) and as may be required in accordance with the tax laws applicable to you, Bitpanda thus advises you to consult a tax advisor (i) about the tax consequences and their economic consequences in connection with using the Bitpanda Platform and holding, trading and/or exchanging the Supported Assets offered on Bitpanda Platform and (ii) to ensure that you are able to take all steps required to comply with all applicable tax laws when using the Bitpanda Platform.