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Abstract

This study investigates the impact of COVID-19 on cryptocurrencies on four chosen Cryptocurrencies (Bitcoin, Ethereum, Tether and Binance Coin). The research's goal is to understand how the COVID-19 outbreak has changed the cryptocurrency market.

Daily prices of the four chosen cryptocurrencies (Bitcoin, Ethereum, Tether and Binance Coin) were collected from yahoo finance from the year 2017-11-09 to 2023-05-11. The reason of choosing from the year 2017 is to be able to test out the variables before and after COVID-19.

The data were analysed using the Statistical Package for Social Science (SPSS). This level involved the use of reliability tests, normality tests, means, frequencies, and tests of hypotheses.

The key results of the study are that COVID-19 had no negative effect on Bitcoin, Ethereum, Tether and Binance Coin. The study has its limitations especially the very limited number of studies which examines a long period of time to examine the variables before and after COVID-19. This period that was in this study is long enough to build a strong background to help researchers find the result of my study accurate and reliable.

The recommendation and implication of the study is that universities need to improve their strategies regarding knowledge sharing towards Digital currencies world which will benefit the students' life after graduation, and maximize their knowledge sharing among themselves and also when they are conducting different researches about Cryptocurrencies.

Keywords: COVID-19, Bitcoin, cryptocurrency, impact of COVID-19 on digital currencies(cryptocurrencies).

الملخص

تبحث هذه الدراسة في تأثير COVID-19 على اربع عملات مشفرة

Binance Coin, Tether, Ethereum, Bitcoin ويهدف البحث الى فهم كيف غيّر انتشار كوفيد-19 إلى تغير سوق العملات المشفرة.

وتم جمع الاسعار اليومية للعملات المشفرة الأربعة من yahoo Finance من 90-11-201 إلى 11-05- وتم جمع الاسعار اليومية للعملات المشفرة الأربعة من 95-12 إلى 2013 كنة استخدام الحزمة الإحصائية في العلوم الاجتماعية (SPSS) لتحليل بيانات هذا البحث.

النتانج الرئيسية للدراسة هي أن كوفيد -19 لم يكن له تأثير سلبي على عملات المشفرة الاربعة و كان هناك عدد محدود جدا من الدراسات السابقة التي تتحدث على تأثير كوفيد -19 على العملات المشفرة من العام 2017 إلى 2023.

التوصية والأثار المترتبة على الدراسة هي أن الجامعات بحاجة إلى تحسين استراتيجياتها فيما يتعلق بمشاركة المعرفة نحو عالم العملات الرقمية مما سيفيد حياة الطلاب بعد التخرج ، ويزيد من تبادل المعرفة فيما بينهم وأيضا عند إجراء أبحاث مختلفة حول العملات المشفرة.

الكلمات الدالة: بيتكوين, عمله رقميه, تأثير الكورونا على العمله المشفره