Charles Ghini

Florida Blockchain Task Force Member



With over 33 years of service to the state, Charles Ghini worked his way up from a COBOL/database programmer to his current role as Chief Information Officer (CIO)/Director of the Office of Information Technology (OIT) at the Florida Department of Financial Services in 2013. Charles oversees network and computer operations; application development; product development; and IT support to the Department, as well as the Office of Financial Regulation and Office of Insurance Regulation. He leads at DFS the development and implementation of policies and procedures for IT security, quality control, application development/maintenance and system availability.

Charles brings extensive technical and leadership experience from his previous roles as Director of the Division of Telecommunications at the Department of Management Services, Chief Operating Officer of the State Technology Office, and Network Director at Florida A&M University. Charles has had direct involvement in several critical enterprise IT projects, including SUNCOM, MyFloridaNet, and ERP implementation. He has focused his career on leveraging technology to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of State of Florida agencies.

Charles holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from University of Grenoble in France, and a bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Florida State University.

"I am honored to have been selected by CFO Patronis to be a part of the Blockchain Task Force. I am excited at the prospect of working with CFO Jimmy Patronis and the members of this task force to help bring this innovative and life changing technology to the State of Florida and its Citizens."

-Charles Ghini