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PERSPECTIVES by Arjun Mehra

40 Crypto Private Financings Raised ~\$180M

Rolling 3-Month-Average: \$207M Rolling 52-Week Average: \$183M

This week, there were 40 private financings, the most in over 2 years. Although 11 of the financings did not have disclosed financing values, this is a positive sign for the private financing market and remains a part of a trend upward, following weeks with 22, 28, and 34 deals.

In addition, meaningful financings, with reputable investors, are happening. Last week, HashKey raised \$100M at a \$1.3B valuation and FlowDesk raised \$50M from strong names such as Cathay Innovation, EuraZeo, Speedinvest, and BPI.

And this week Switzerland-based, Sygnum Bank raised \$40M at a \$900M valuation from an Italian asset manager with \$100B in AUM, Azimut Holding (Read our full analysis on the transaction here).

Although not a perfect capital raise - allegedly a long time in the market spent raising & not a significant uptick in valuation from the previous round - this does build upon the trend we are seeing in January 2024: real deals getting done from real investors at significant valuations.

On another note, Eric Risley, Managing Partner of Architect Partners, published a report using data to look at the analog between the early development of the Internet and Crypto. Read Family Ties: The Internet and Crypto.

Events

Architect Partners will be at the Satoshi Roundtable (1/31-2/7), ETH Denver (2/29 - 3/3), and Digital Asset Summit (3/18 - 3/20). Please contact elliot@architectpartners.com or arjun@architectpartners.com if you would like to meet.

| PAST WEEK NOTABLE TRANSACTIONS (Top 10 by Capital Raised) | | | | | | |
|---|--------|---------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Company | Date | Size (\$M) | Post-Money Valuation (\$M) | Stage | Subsector | Lead Investor(s) |
| Sygnum Bank | 24-Jan | \$40 | \$900 | Strategic Growth | Brokers & Exchanges | Azimut Holding |
| Polymer Labs | 23-Jan | \$23 | ND | Series A | Developer Tools & Infrastructure | Blockchain Capital, Distributed Global, Maven 11 |
| Ingonyama | 24-Jan | \$21 | ND | Seed | Developer Tools & Infrastructure | Walden Catalyst |
| Axiom | 25-Jan | \$20 | ND | Series A | Developer Tools & Infrastructure | Paradigm, Standard Crypto |
| Doppel | 23-Jan | \$14 | ND | Series A | Data & Data Analytics | Andreessen Horowitz |
| Kamino Finance | 24-Jan | \$10 | ND | Series A | DApp: Investing & Trading | Jump Capital, Solana Ventures |
| Masa | 23-Jan | \$5 | ND | Seed | Data & Data Analytics | Anagram |
| Hyperline | 24-Jan | \$5 | ND | Seed | Data & Data Analytics | Slow Ventures |
| Arcade | 26-Jan | \$5 | ND | Seed | DApp: Games | ND |
| Cortex | 25-Jan | \$5 | ND | Series A+ | Data & Data Analytics | DAO Maker, Gate.io, Shima Capital |



