



Gemini Appoints Managing Director of Europe

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As global growth accelerates, the company taps Starling Bank Co-founder Julian Sawyer to oversee Gemini's strategic vision in the UK & Europe

NEW YORK, Dec. 4, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Gemini Europe, LLC, the European affiliate of Gemini Trust Company, LLC (collectively, Gemini), a leading cryptocurrency exchange and custodian, today announced the appointment of Julian Sawyer as the Managing Director of the United Kingdom and Europe. Sawyer will be responsible for shaping Gemini's overall strategy in the region, developing market-leading products, and charting the course for operations. He will also manage hiring as his team builds out its physical presence in the United Kingdom and Europe. Mr. Sawyer will be based in London and report directly to Gemini's President, Cameron Winklevoss.

Sawyer has more than 20 years of experience in high-growth growing financial services organizations. Prior to this, Sawyer was Co-founder and Chief Operating Officer at one of the U.K.'s largest mobile banks — Starling Bank — where he built out business operations, including payment systems, card operations and customer service. During his tenure, Sawyer was instrumental in growing the company — doubling its customer growth in eight months, successfully launching the Euro Account and becoming the first mobile-only bank to offer services through the Post Office. Sawyer's proven success leading the company through a period of hypergrowth and working to eliminate the costs and complexities associated with traditional banks will translate seamlessly into his new role at Gemini. In addition, Sawyer founded Bluerock Consulting, a financial management consultancy that he led as CEO from 1999-2011. Sawyer also worked as a management consultant at Andersen Consulting (now Accenture) and Ernst & Young, specializing in large-scale transformation in the cards and payments industry.

"Europe is the birthplace of modern financial markets and the United Kingdom (UK) has been a global financial capital of innovation for hundreds of years," said Tyler Winklevoss, CEO of Gemini. "Gemini needs to be here and Julian's deep knowledge and fintech expertise in these regions make him well-suited to lead Gemini's expansion into this pioneering area of the world."

Sawyer is the latest addition to an incredibly accomplished group of senior leaders who have joined Gemini over the past 18 months, including [Noah Perlman](#) as Chief Compliance Officer, [David Damato](#) as Chief Security Officer, [Sydney Schaub](#) as General Counsel, [Jeanine Hightower-Sellitto](#) as Managing Director, Operations and [Robert Cornish](#) as Chief Technology Officer. With more than 200 employees, Gemini is ramping up its global footprint. Outside of the U.S., Gemini is also available in Canada, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, the United Kingdom and Australia.

For more information on Gemini, visit our website <https://gemini.com/>.

About Gemini Trust Company, LLC

Gemini Trust Company, LLC (Gemini) is a cryptocurrency exchange and custodian that allows customers to buy, sell, and store cryptocurrencies like bitcoin, bitcoin cash, ether, litecoin, and zcash. Gemini is a New York trust company that is subject to the capital reserve requirements, cybersecurity requirements, and banking compliance standards set forth by the New York State Department of Financial Services and the New York Banking Law. Gemini was founded in 2014 by twin brothers Cameron and Tyler Winklevoss to build a bridge to the future of money.

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