

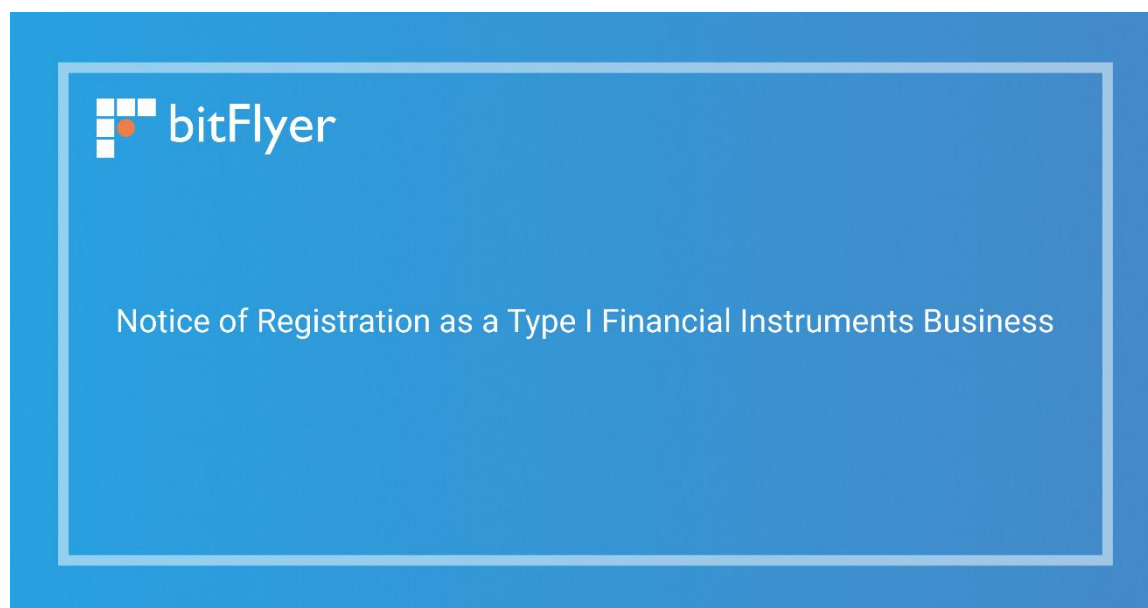


October 14, 2021
bitFlyer, Inc.

Notice of Registration as a Type 1 Financial Instruments Business

bitFlyer, Inc. (“bitFlyer”, HQ: Minato-ku, Tokyo; President: Kuniyoshi Hayashi), which operates the number one* crypto assets (cryptocurrency) exchange in Japan in terms of Bitcoin trading volume for the last five consecutive years, is pleased to announce that we have been registered as a Type I Financial Instruments Business under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act as of October 14th, 2021.

With this successful registration, we intend to reopen new registrations for margin trading services for crypto assets (Lightning FX and Lightning Futures), which are regarded as over-the-counter crypto assets derivatives trading under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, in the near future. We will provide further details in this regard in due course.



Since bitFlyer was founded in January 2014, we have been aiming to build a highly liquid global trading platform for crypto assets that features a crypto assets lineup in compliance with the laws and regulations of various countries/regions. In particular, margin trading services for crypto assets constitute one of bitFlyer's core businesses as we continue to develop new services with an emphasis on liquidity. With our registration as a Type I Financial Instruments Business, we are now able to offer our services to an even wider range of customers.

[Details of bitFlyer’s registration as a Financial Instruments Business]

Date of registration	October 14 th (Thursday), 2021
Name of financial instruments business	bitFlyer, Inc.
Registration number	Director-General of the Kanto Local Finance Bureau 3294 (Type 1 Financial Instruments Business)

As a crypto assets exchange operator and a Type I Financial Instruments Business, bitFlyer hopes to provide an environment where our customers can trade crypto assets with greater security and peace of mind, as well as contribute to the further development of the market as a leading company in the crypto asset and blockchain industry.

We look forward to your continued support of bitFlyer Group.

About bitFlyer, Inc.

Founded in 2014, bitFlyer has launched a global crypto-asset trading business along with its sibling entities bitFlyer USA, Inc. and bitFlyer EUROPE S.A. that currently serves over 2.5 million customers. As a crypto-assets exchange operator and a Type 1 Financial Instruments Business, bitFlyer hopes to provide a highly liquid crypto-assets exchange that can satisfy as many customers as possible by continuing to expand and improve its services, driven by the mission of “Simplify the world with blockchain.”

Our website: <https://bitflyer.com/en-jp>

* bitFlyer recorded the largest annual trading volume from 2016 to 2020 in Japan (includes spot, net settlement, and futures trading) according to JPBitcoin.com.

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