



# Bitcoin Dipped 35% On News It Will Not Be Publicly Offered

Last week, the price of Bitcoin fell from an all-time high of more than \$1300 and dipped below \$980, a decline of 35%. The drop was due to a decision to reject admission of Bitcoin to the stock exchange as an ETF (exchange traded fund) that was designed to reduce volatility. Since then, Bitcoin's value has moved upward again. -GEG

It was a show of [bullishness](#) to rival last week's run-up in [Snap stock](#): The Bitcoin price suddenly jumped more than \$100 on Friday morning, trading above \$1300 per unit for the first time.

For a fleeting moment at about 8:27 a.m.—more than an hour before the U.S. stock market even opened—the price of Bitcoin spiked more than 10% from the day before. The blockchain-based virtual currency briefly touched a new record price of \$1325, continuing its [recent surge](#) amid [anticipated SEC approval of the first Bitcoin ETF](#). A week ago, Bitcoin even [surpassed the price of gold](#).

But in a reminder of just how fickle the market for such newfangled assets can be, just after 4 p.m. Friday, the Bitcoin price took a U-turn and plummeted to lows not seen in months, dipping below \$1000 to as low as \$980, after Bitcoin investors [received some bad news](#) from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. That's a 35% swing in the Bitcoin price in the span of a day.

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## **George Soros Funded 'Day Without a Woman' March With \$246 Million**

Groups that organized last week's 'Day Without A Woman' march in Washington, DC received \$246 million from George Soros. These are the same groups that marched against President Trump on his inauguration day. Critics believe that Soros is using women against Trump to build support for his one-world government. They point out that the march failed to address severe oppression of women internationally in places such as Saudi Arabia. -GEG



# EU Commissioner For Migration Wants 6 Million More Immigrants

Dimitris Avramopoulos, the EU's Commissioner for Migration, has publicly called for the admittance of 6-million more immigrants into Europe. He recommends establishing offices in all countries of the southern coast of the Mediterranean and West Africa to oversee 'legal' immigration that will screen out nationalists and populists. -GEG

Some twenty-five years ago, before becoming mayor of Athens and then successively Minister of Health, Defense, and Foreign Affairs in Greece, Avramopoulos [was the first guest](#) of the new Dusan Sidjanski Center for European Studies, which was inaugurated in October by the Global Studies Institute.

"When I took up my post in November 2014, the EU was struggling with the financial crisis. I did not imagine that migration and internal affairs would soon be the two most important challenges for the Union," he told the audience.

"The migratory wave and terrorism have plunged Europe into an existential crisis. The very foundations of the EU are being questioned, " Avramopoulos said. "As we commemorate the signing of the Treaty of Rome on 25 March, member countries face instability and insecurity."

In short, Europe is at a crossroads, he believes. "This is a historic moment. Our values are at stake. Are we going to be overwhelmed by the rise of populism, nationalism and xenophobia? Are we going to reintroduce controls at the internal borders of the EU? Sacrifice the freedom of movement so dear to our citizens? We soon forget that the EU is one of the greatest achievements of history. After two world wars, achieving such a union is not a matter of course. Even today,

it is wrong to regard this as an acquired fact.”

He added that immigration would have to continue. “The 27 [EU states] will need 6 million immigrants in the future,” the European Commissioner said.

“We will open offices in all countries on the southern shore of the Mediterranean and in West Africa. This is the best way to fight smugglers. Obviously, we are not going to just open the borders and let everybody in. This would be absurd and would only feed xenophobia, nationalism and populism. Having said that, we must protect the persecuted and treat everyone with dignity.”

But the program of distributing 160 000 migrants in Greece and Italy to the EU has been a fiasco. Only 13 546 people have been relocated, while the program expires in September.

“As for the terrorist attacks in the EU, they were committed by European citizens. With one exception, it was never the case of refugees,” Avramopoulos said. “The security services are national, they remain a prerogative of each government. It is this fragmentation that makes us vulnerable. The attacks in Paris were committed by people based in Brussels, who crossed many countries without being stopped ... even though they were on lists! It is time to share these sensitive data.”

But the majority of Islamic State militants directly involved in carrying out the Paris and Brussels terrorist attacks used the Balkan route to enter Europe under the guise of being refugees, the Hungarian intelligence chief revealed.

Analysis of phone call intercepts established that seven of the nine attackers involved in the November Paris onslaught, which killed 130 and injured 368 people, entered the EU through Hungary last year, the Hungarian Counter Terrorism Center (TEK) chief, General Zsolt Bodnar told RT.

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