

# Insights on innovation, fintech trends and blockchain disruption

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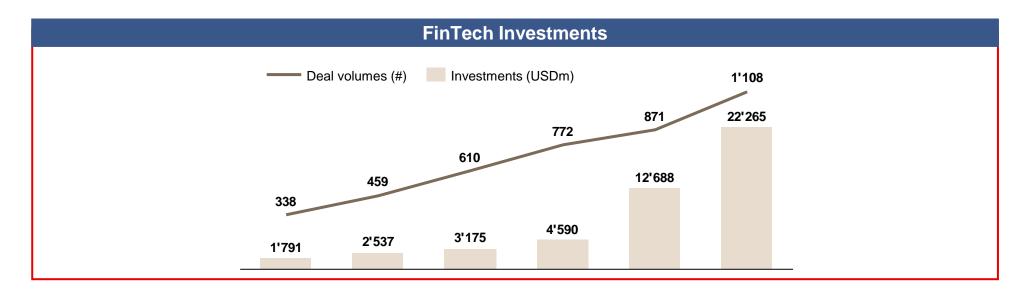


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### Digitization of consumer behaviour









### Disruptive technology & financial services

Financial Services disruption is greater than ever before



- Universal banking model will become unbundled
- Traditional term structuring and leverage
   role of banks will be substituted by new sources of capital
- The **benefits of scale** will be **eroded**
- Traditional mechanisms of measuring customers' risk profile will lose their efficacy
- Disruption will not be a one-time event, rather a continuous pressure to innovate



### Digital attackers enter the banking market

#### **Digital Banks**

According to McKinsey & Company, winners in the digital banking space could realize a profit upside of 40% or more and digital institutions that resist innovation could see up to 35% of their net profits erode.



#### **Social Investing**



#### StockTwits<sup>®</sup>

300,000 users creating content for audience of 40M



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\$13.5M in AUM





#### **Digital Investment Managers**







Black Rock is buying Future Advisor to operate within its Solutions Technology Platform. Betterment has 120,000 client accounts and \$2.52 in AUM. Wealthfront has 35,500 clients and \$2.51 B in AUM

#### **Digital Money Managers**



Digital Money Managers use data aggregation to provide their customers with holistic views of their accounts. Intuit bought Mint. previously run by Yodlee, last year.

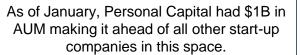
### **Digital Financial Advice**



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Source: https://www.forrester.com/report/Disrupting+Finance+Social+Investing/-/E-RES106882



### Disruptive technology themes and business trends

Artificial Intelligence step-changes functions and processes

Cloud and shared economy technology lowers cost to offer products and services

Customer Experience disrupted and bank's front-end disintermediated

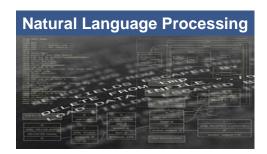




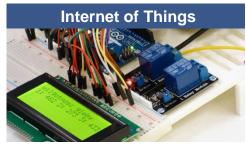




Crowd-sourcing of capital

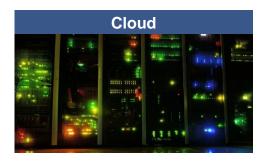






Digital utilities for financial services









### The value chain will split up further

More **efficiency**, especially in the **back-office** 



**Differentiation** at the **client interface** 



Sustainable business model

for the financial centre





Increased cooperation on the infrastructure

Strong ecosystem for innovation, incl. Start-ups



### UBS starting from a strong position

Largest Bank in Switzerland



**Enormous outreach** 



Leading investment competence



Highest security standards



**UBS Switzerland** 





#### **Wealth Management**



**UBS Wealth Management**Best Global Private Bank
and
Best Use of Technology
2015



**UBS Asia Pacific** 

Best Private Bank in Asia 2015



**UBS Asia Pacific** 

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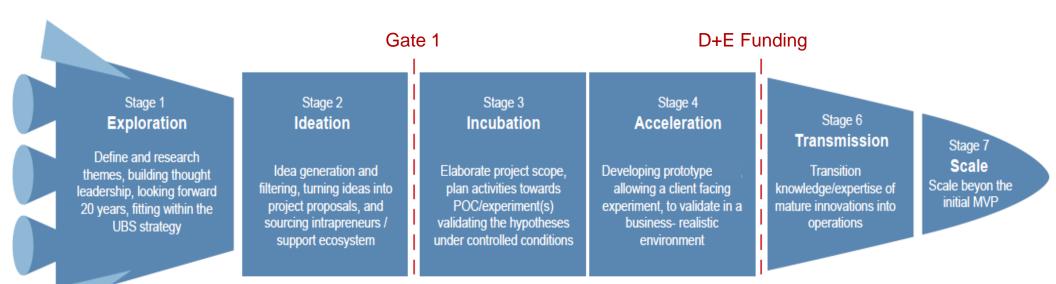
#### **Investment Bank**







### Transforming Ideas into Business



#### Beyond methods and structures...

- Accelerator approach succeed and fail and learn faster
- Leverage internal power we have excellent ideas and people in place
- Build out our external ecosystem and partnerships to extend our capabilities
- Jointly drive innovation with business and central functions
- Don't stop Innovation is a multi-year journey

Source: UBS

...with everyone being innovative

### Innovation through collaboration and partnerships



**UBS Management** 

Business
Strategy and
Execution

**Start-ups** 

Open and approachable ecosystem









**UBS** Employees

Leverage of Internal expertise

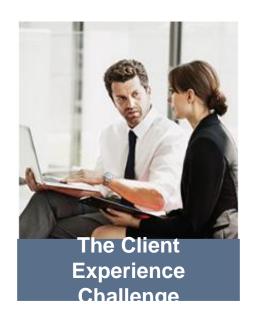
Partners & Regulators
Shared vision and roadmap





## UBS Future of Finance Challenge #UBSinnovate

A global competition to seek out entrepreneurs, start-ups, and growing companies with innovative ideas and disruptive technologies to transform the banking industry.









- >90 million impressions generated by the social media campaign
- ▶ 600+ submissions entered for regional finals in Singapore, London, New York, Zürich
- Internal collaboration through evaluators and mentor program



### Emergence of global fintech hubs

There is vigorous competition between leading global financial and technology centres to dominate the fast growing FinTech market

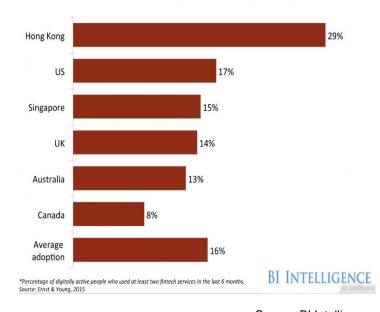
#### Leading global FinTech hubs are split clearly into two tiers:

Tier 1 (London, Silicon Valley & New York)

Tier 2 (Singapore, Berlin, Australia and Hong Kong)

	2015 rank by e	2015 rank by ecosystem Attribute			
Region	Talent  Talent availability Talent pipeline	Capital  • Seed  • Growth  • Listed	Policy  Regulatory regimes Government programmes Taxation policy	Demand  - Consumers - Corporates - Fis	Total points
UK	2	3	1	3	9
California (CA)	1	1	6	2	10
New York (NY)	3	2	7	1	13
Singapore (SG)	4	7	2	6	19
Germany (DE)	6	4	5	5	20
Australia (AU)	5	5	3	7	20
Hong Kong (HK)	7	6	4	4	21

#### Top Fintech Adoption Rates, By Country\*



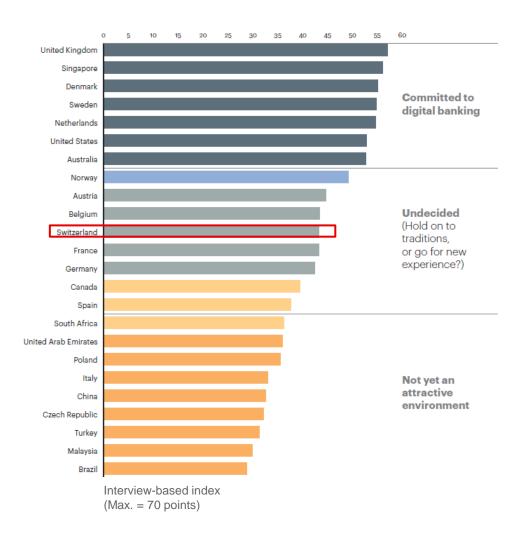
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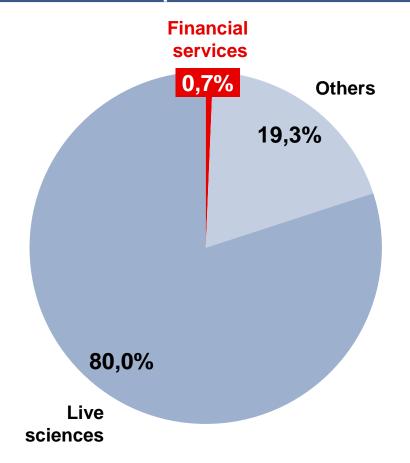


### Local fintech landscape in Switzerland

#### **Moderate Digital Banking readiness<sup>1</sup>**



### **Less than 1% of Capital is invested in FinTech Startups**





## Regulatory uncertainty remains a challenge for collaboration

What challenge did/do you face in dealing with FinTech/traditional financial companies?

#### Traditional financial companies say:

53% IT security

49% Regulatory uncertainty

40% Differences in business models

#### FinTech companies say:

54% Differences in management & culture

47% Differences in operational processes

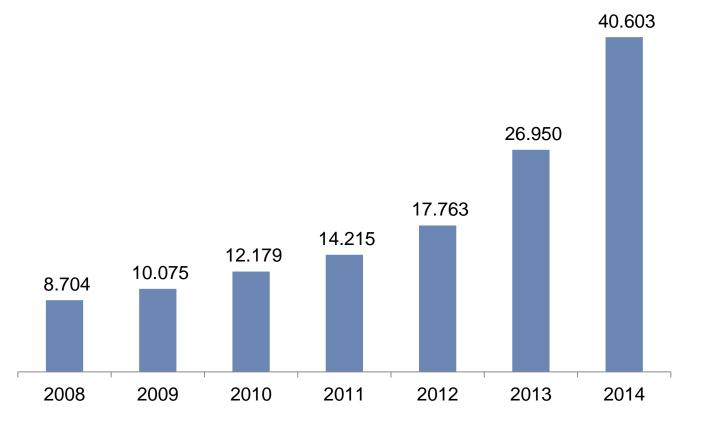
43% Regulatory uncertainty

Source: "Blurred lines: How FinTech is shaping Financial Services" – Global FinTech Report March 2016 © 2016 PwC



### Pace of regulatory change increased

### Number of alerts issued by regulators worldwide



Alerts relate to updates to regulatory rulebooks and other announcements - policy papers, enforcement notices, speeches.

"The peak of regulatory change may be someway off" by David Craig © Thomson Reuters, March 2016



### Key areas that could benefit from regtech

- 1. Risk data aggregation, management and regulatory reporting
- 2. Modelling, scenario analysis and forecasting
- (Real-time) payments monitoring, reporting, blocking and tax compliance
- 4. Identity verification
- 5. Monitoring behaviour and organizational culture
- 6. Real-time trading on financial markets
- Making financial institutions more aware of regulatory developments

## Active and evolving role of regulators in recent years

#### March 2015

- Australian regulator ASIC launches innovation hub (now in talks with FCA about RegTech)
- UK 2015 budget mandates regulators to support RegTech

### April 2015

 ESMA publishes call for evidence on investment using digital currencies or blockchain technologies

### July 2015

 Singapore regulator sets up FinTech and Innovation Group, incl. a "Technology Infrastructure Office" focusing on cloud computing, big data and blockchain

### October 2015

UK government invests additional GBP 10 million in blockchain research

### November 2015

• FCA issues call for input on facilitating the development and adoption of RegTech

#### February 2016

 ECON report on virtual currencies calls for a horizontal DLT taskforce under leadership of the commission

### March 2016

BaFin publishes expert article on blockchain

#### April 2016

 MAS sets up a FinTech office to promote Singapore as a FinTech hub and provide assistance to the FinTech community



### Bitcoin - a risky business?

Bitcoin's Price Plummets As Mt. Gox Goes Dark, With Massive Hack Rumored

Forbes – February 25, 2014

Dark Net Drug Sales Using Bitcoins Are Booming After Fall Of Silk Road Marketplace

**IBTimes – June 10, 2015** 



### Blockchain - part of the future of finance?

Blockchain initiative backed by nine large investment banks.

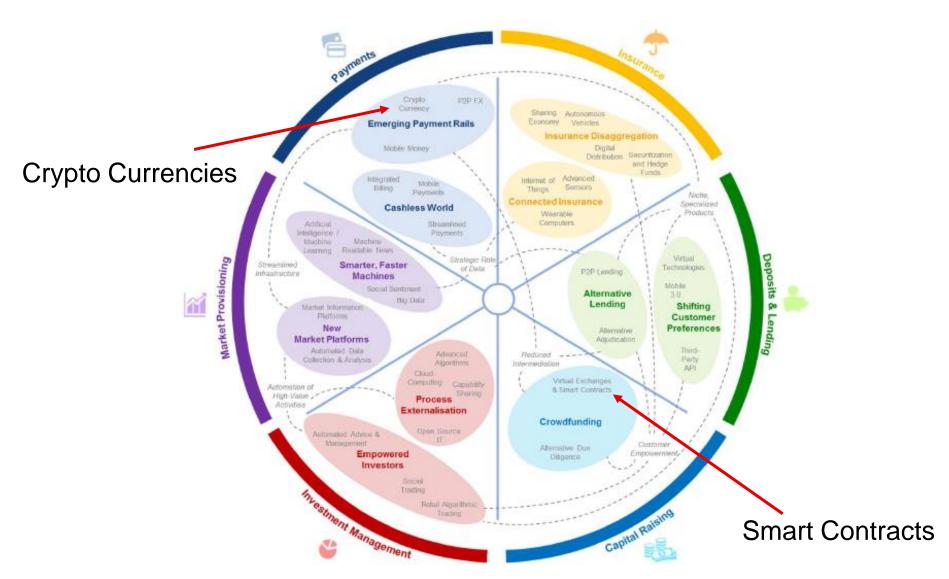
Bank of England Economist Proposes National Digital Currency.

**FT – September 15, 2015** 

CoinDesk – September 18, 2015



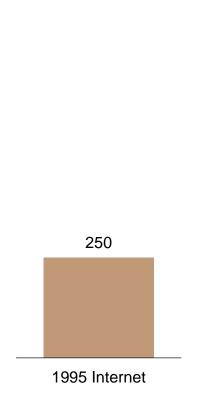
## WEF Sees Blockchain as a business model disruptor

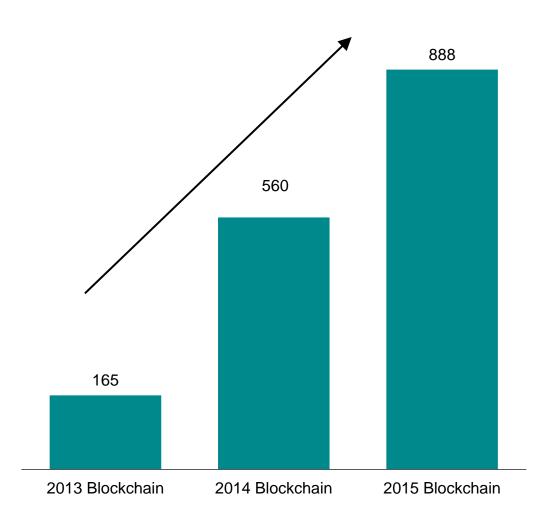


Source: World Economic Forum



### Blockchain Investments Increase



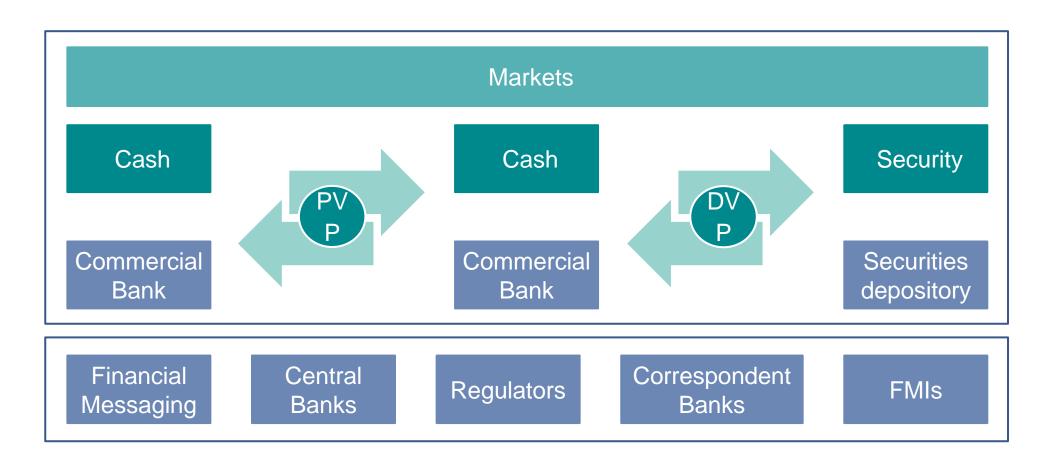


Note: Venture capital investments (US\$m). Source: VentureScanner, December 2015



### Current operating model

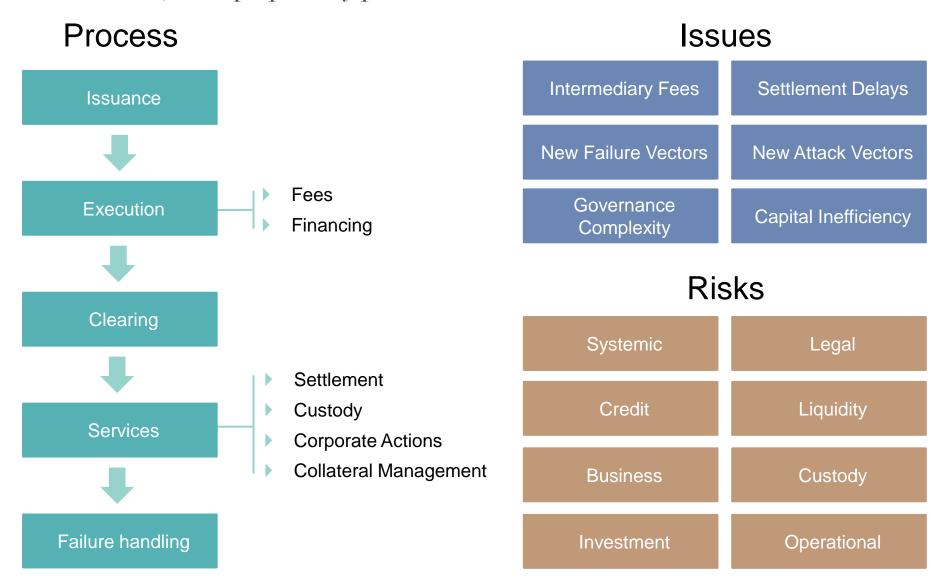
Central utilities mitigate risks and offer conveniences like electronic transfers





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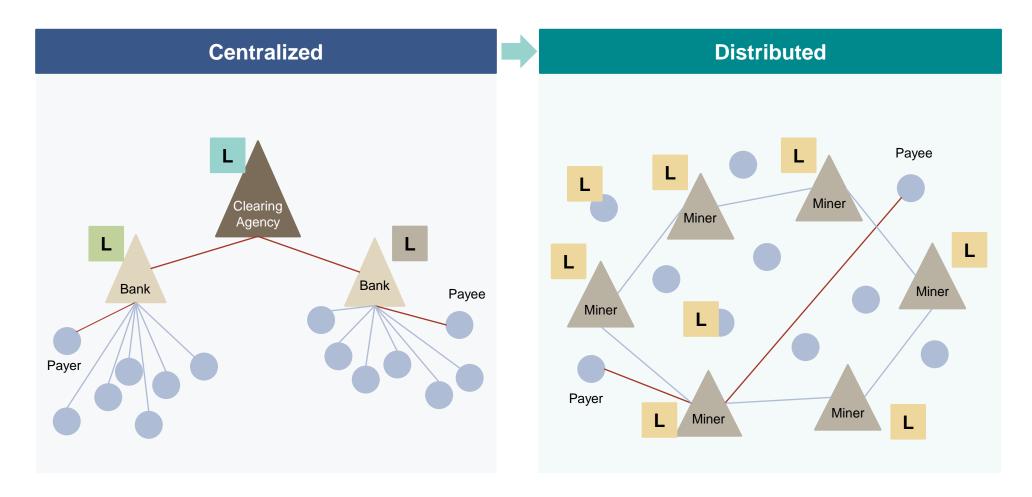
Semi-automated, semi-proprietary process and related issues and risks





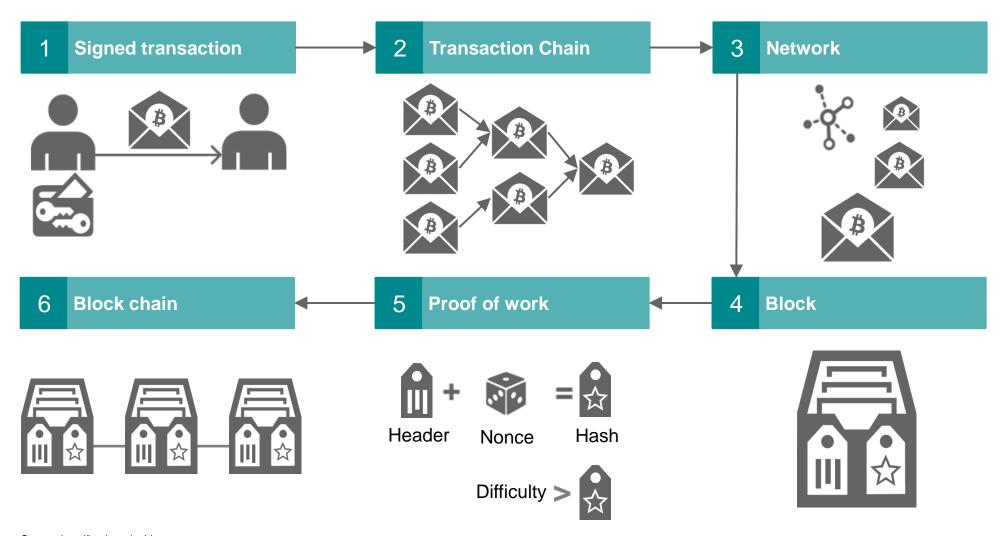
### Hypothetical Operating Model

Potentially mitigate some of trusted central utility's risks and issues by moving towards a distributed autonomous organisation (DAO) intermediation model





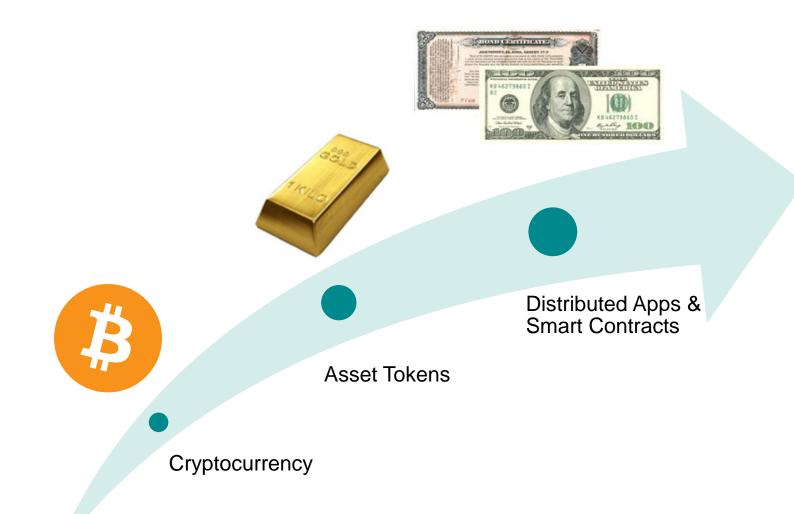
### Bitcoin blockchain explained



Source: http://businessinsider.com



### New blockchain protocols





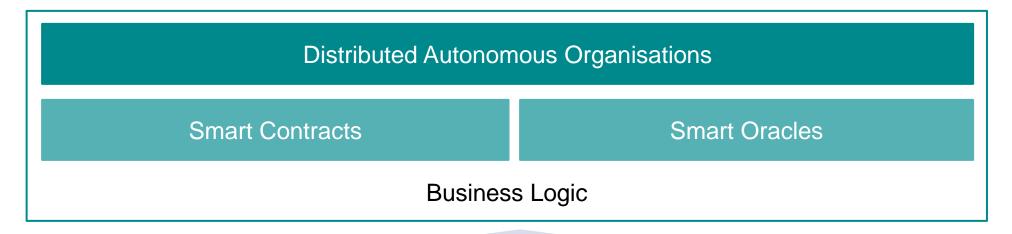
### Manage many real world assets on blockchain

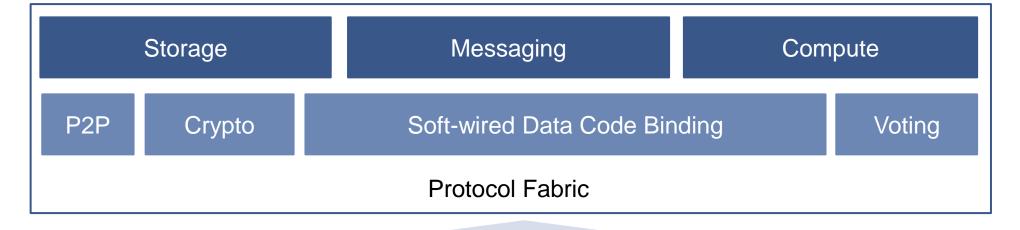




### Hypothetical operating model

Smart contract code can autonomously hold and transact own assets





Internet



### Potential benefits for State, Banks and Clients

	State	Bank	Client
Distributed	Reporting could become bi-product of doing business	No single point of failure solution	Possibly cheaper and open to competition
Autonomous	Regulatory compliance could be guaranteed by crowd executed code	Could reduce market participation costs and reduce risk of fraud	Possibly cheaper and safer financial transaction services
Automated	Could be used to automate business admiration tasks like tax collection	Could reduce incidents of fails and associated manual intervention costs	Possibly cheaper and more reliable services also automating clients' administration tasks
			Could reduce risk,
Real time	Offers possibility of real time systemic risk analysis	Opportunity to improve liquidity management and collateral efficiency	improve capital efficiency and access to operating assets



### UBS Crypto 2.0 lab and team

#### On a pathfinder mission for better financial services

#### Our Lab at Level 39



- Level 39 is the largest UK FinTech space with great access to talent and partners
- Collaborative workspace equipped for 12 people

#### Our Lean Team



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Paul Yardley
Business
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Shane Williams WM Lead



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**UBS Virtual Team** Technology SMEs



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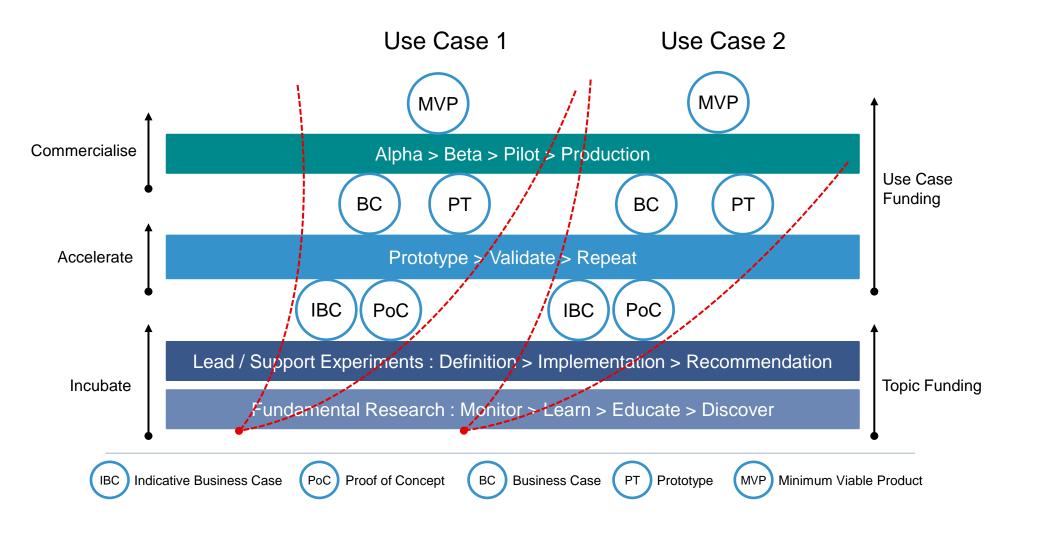
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L39 Community Fintech Startups

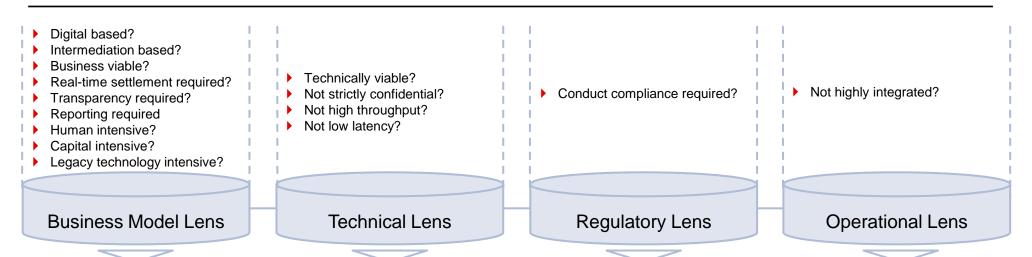


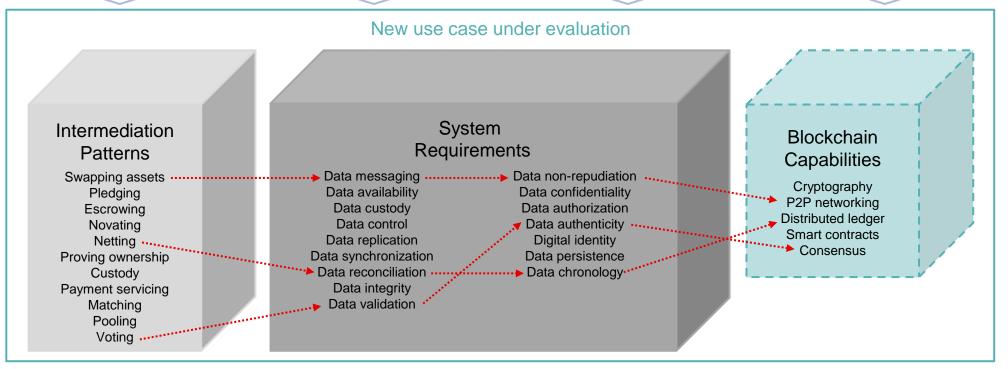
### The lab drives ideas, experiments and spin outs





### Blockchain disruption evaluation framework

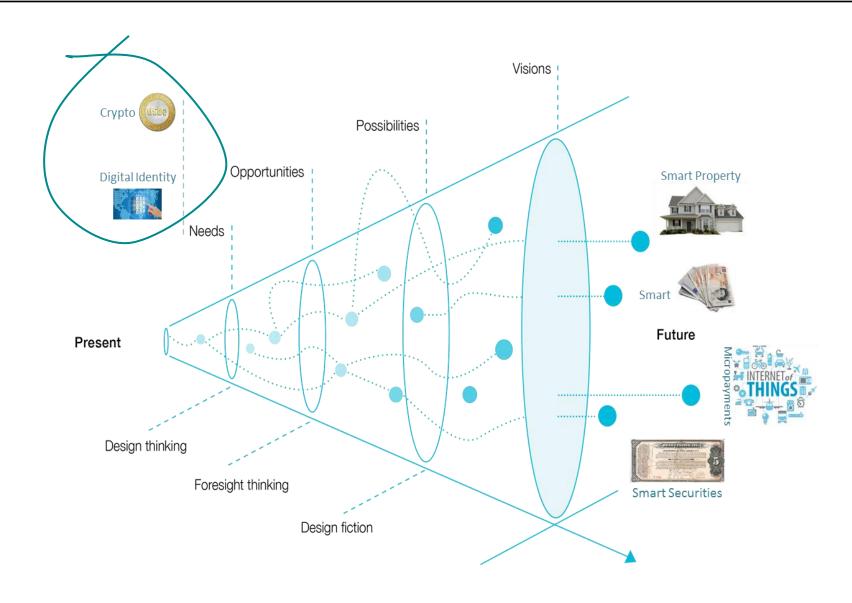






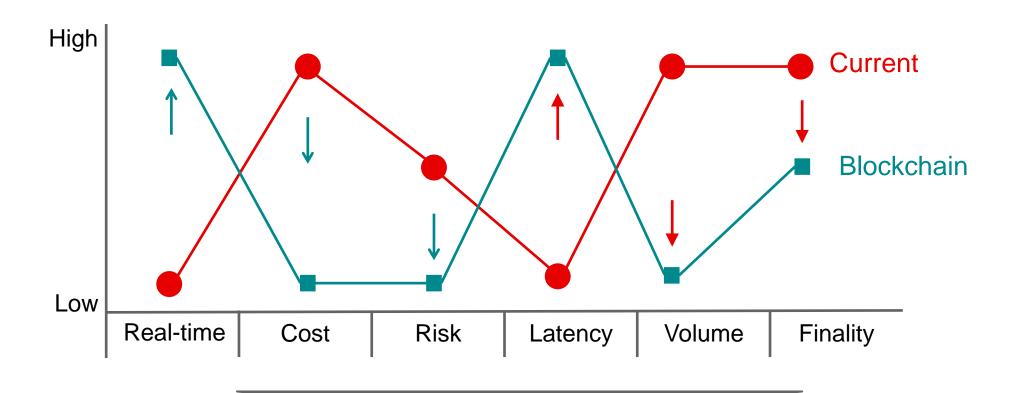
\*\*\*\* Examples of dependency between Intermediation Patterns, System Requirements and corresponding Blockchain Capabilities examined through the lenses for each use case

### On-chain fiat money and digital identity vision





### Strategic fit observations

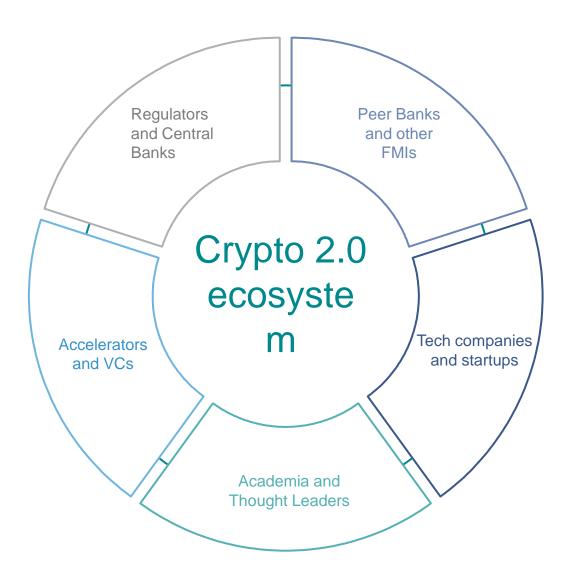


Post trade clearance, settlement & reporting

High frequency trading 🗶



### Building on open collaboration





### Blockchain R3 CEV DLG Consortium



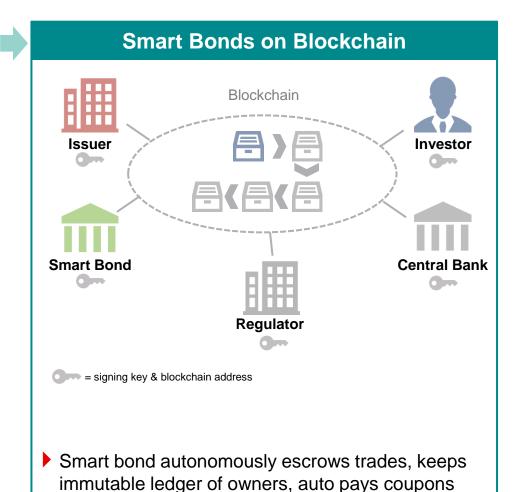
The addition of this new group of banks demonstrates widespread support for innovative distributed ledger solutions across the global financial services community

David Rutter, R3 CEO - September 29, 2015

- Currently the partnership counts 42 global banks\*
- ▶ 11 member banks have established a private distributed ledger using Ethereum and Microsoft Azure for blockchain experimentation

### **Smart Bond**

### **Traditional Bonds** Issuance Investment Issuer Bank | Broker Investor Regulator Clearing & Settlement CCP | CSD | Custodian CSD = Central Securities Depositary; CCP = Central Counter Party Clearing House Intermediaries can DVP settle issuer to investor novated trades, conduct multilateral netting, manage collateral and report back to regulators and







### Strategic learnings from research and experiments

#### **Current Challenges**

- The technology needs further developments to ensure adequate speed and scalability
- Technology standards need to be adopted, ideally within an open source framework
- Strategic architecture needs further exploration
- Despite growing interest from Regulators and Central Banks, the legal framework is still unclear
- Transactions finality can't be achieved on chain without the introduction of "crypto cash", FIAT currency on blockchain
- Digital identity on blockchain needs to be addressed to ensure compliance with KYC and AML regulations

#### Potential benefits

- ▶ Truly real time transactions allowing risk reduction and better capital management
- Truly distributed ledger and execution allowing significant reduction of risk and cost due to intermediation
- Improved regulatory effectiveness, with KYC, AML and real time transaction checks embedded on blockchain
- Smarter and cheaper financial services for our clients, able to improve financial inclusion
- Huge potential for green field initiatives, such as new asset classes and smart products
- Huge potential for integration with other emerging technologies, such as AI and IoT to implement the future of finance

Potential new platform for industry collaboration



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