

CONFERENCE

Operations, Post-Trade, Technology & Innovation Conference 2022 (OPTIC)

27 September 2022 / De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms

Day 1 - Tuesday, 27 September 2022

08:00 / Welcome registration and refreshments

09:00 / Opening Remarks

09:15 / In Conversation with Christopher Woolard CBE, Partner, Ernst & Young

MODERATOR



Thalia Chryssikou

Chair of the Board of Directors, AFME and

SPEAKER



Christopher Woolard

Partner, EY

09:45 / **Panel discussion**
Capital Markets Innovation: the Current State of Play

OVERVIEW

- / What are the current opportunities for technology innovation?
- / What are banks' key priorities in 2022?
- / Are we entering a new regulatory cycle, with increased focus on fostering innovation?

MODERATOR



Philip Saunders

Managing Director, Goldman Sachs

SPEAKERS



Vikesh Patel

Head of Capital Markets Strategy, SWIFT



Sam Riley

CEO, Clearstream Holding AG



Dan Watkins

Head of Global Market Infrastructure EMEA, BNY Mellon



Valeria Zafar

Director of Sales, EMEA, Digital Asset

10:30 / **Networking Coffee Break**

11:00 / **Panel discussion**
Secure Cloud Transformation: Managing the Journey

Stream A - Technology and Innovation

OVERVIEW

- / What do you believe are the common challenges in Cloud adoption in Europe?
- / How can Cloud concentration risk be mitigated?
- / Is multi-cloud an appropriate strategy to enhance a firm's resilience?
- / How can international regulatory collaboration and existing global mechanisms help overcome common challenges?

MODERATOR

Tola Gbadebo

Interim Associate Director, CCA and TO, AFME

SPEAKERS



Nathan Attrell

Industry Principal, Financial Services, Snowflake



James Fox

Director, Enterprise Cloud Services, Protiviti



Jorge Álvarez Fernández

Global Head of Public Cloud Architecture, Banco Santander



Lizzie Gilbert

Manager, Bank of England



Witte Wijsmuller

Policy Officer, European Commission

11:00 / **Panel discussion**
European Post Trade Regulation in 2022: Where Next?

Stream B - Post Trade

OVERVIEW

- / What is next for CSDR settlement discipline? Do the CSDR Refit proposals tackle other key issues?
- / What are the priority Post Trade issues for delivering Capital Markets Union?
- / How do we ensure that regulation is a facilitator of innovation and not a blocker?

MODERATOR



Marcello Topa

Director, EMEA Market Policy and Strategy, Citi, Securities Services

SPEAKERS



Jesús Benito

Head Domestic Custody and TR Operations, SIX



Emiliano Tornese

Deputy Head of Financial Markets Infrastructure Unit, European Commission



Susan Yavari

Senior Policy Advisor, Capital Markets, EFAMA

11:45 / **Panel discussion**
Data Usage and Sharing in Financial Services

Stream A - Technology and Innovation

OVERVIEW

- / What is the critical role of data in capital markets innovation?
- / How can we analyse and improve data transfer performance?
- / Will the development of an open finance framework complement the EU data act?

MODERATOR



Elise Soucie

Associate Director, Technology and Operations, AFME

SPEAKERS



Adriana Ennab

Director of Public Policy, Credit Suisse



Alex Ivančo

Director, Financial Markets III Department, Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic



Borja de Pedro

Manager Public Policy, Digital Strategy and Competition, Santander

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11:45 / **Panel discussion**
Solving the Settlement Efficiency Challenge

Stream B - Post Trade

OVERVIEW

- / How far away are we from success?
- / What role can technology play in improving market settlement efficiency?
- / Can the problem be tackled by industry alone or is regulatory intervention required?

MODERATOR



Peter Tomlinson

Director, Post Trade and Prime Services, AFME

SPEAKERS



Daniel Carpenter

Chief Executive Officer, Meritsoft (a Cognizant company)



Alex Dockx

Executive Director, JP Morgan



Alina Laura Dragomir

Senior Policy Officer, ESMA



matt johnson

Director, Digital Platform Management and Industry Relations, DTCC

12:30 / **A Spotlight Luncheon**
In Conversation with the Women of OPTIC

Limited spaces - please RSVP to emma.bagge@afme.eu to secure your space.

OVERVIEW

- / An opportunity to discuss the key topics of the conference with women who are leading the way in Post Trade, Technology, & Operations in European Capital Markets.
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- / This will be a chance to network and share views on key issues beyond the panel sessions with women who are the leading voices in financial services.

12:30 / Networking Lunch

13:30 / **Panel discussion**
Implications of Digital Operational Resilience

Stream A - Technology and Innovation

OVERVIEW

- / How is the market managing the increasing role of digital providers within financial services?
- / How will DORA look to enhance digital resilience through the supervision of critical third parties?
- / Are there more requirements to enhance operational resilience within financial services?

MODERATOR

Marcus Corry

Associate Director, Technology and Operations, AFME

SPEAKERS



Valérie Hüb

Head of Digital and AML Policy, Deutsche Bank AG



Tomas Jakimavicius

Director of European Government Affairs, Microsoft



Orlando Fernandez Ruiz

Senior Technical Specialist, Prudential Policy Directorate, Bank of England

13:30 / **Panel discussion**
Using Technology to Connect Issuers and Investors

Stream B - Post Trade

OVERVIEW

- / Where is further action need to deliver on CMU Action 12?
- / Do we need a third Shareholders Rights Directive (or regulation)?
- / What can the industry tackle without regulatory/legislative change?
- / What impact will new technology have on corporate actions processing?

MODERATOR



James Cunningham

Senior Advisor, Public Policy and Government Affairs, BNY Mellon

SPEAKERS



Mariangela Fumagalli

Head of Global Asset Servicing Product and Custody regulatory solutions, BNP Paribas



Christiane Hölz

Managing Director, DSW



Pierre Marsal

Committee Member, EuropeanIssuers

14:15 / **Panel discussion**
Best Practice for Delivering Change and Technology Operations

Stream A - Technology and Innovation

MODERATOR



Ian Waterworth

Director, Technology and Operations, AFME

SPEAKERS



Nick Hobson

Head of FX, Commodities, EM Rates and Treasure Services, HSBC



Andrew Pearson

Head of Trade Processing Technology, Global Markets, Nomura



Sezgin Yalcin

Head of Professional Service and Delivery, Murex Americas

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14:15 / **Panel discussion**
The Securities Services Business: Opportunities and Threats

Stream B - Post Trade

OVERVIEW

- / What are the key external factors are driving change?
- / How are business models adapting?
- / Should technology reduce costs or improve services?

MODERATOR



Alan Cameron

Head of Advisory FIC Client Line, BNP Paribas

SPEAKERS



Elena María Mesonero

Head of Regional Coverage, Spain and LatAm, CACEIS Bank



Ivan Nicora

Head of Investor Services, Managing Director, Euroclear



Howard Rapley

Head of Product Management, Securities Services, Northern Trust

15:00 / **Networking Coffee Break**

15:30 / **Keynote address**
TBC

SPEAKER



Karel Lannoo

CEO, Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS)

Panel discussion

16:00 / **The ESG agenda and implications for technology adoption and post-trade processes**

OVERVIEW

- / What role do Capital Markets play in the transition towards a green economy?
- / How important is technology to delivering accurate and timely ESG-related data?

MODERATOR



Lynn Strongin Dodds

Journalist, Best Execution

SPEAKERS



A.J. Harper

Head of Sustainable Finance, ETFs and Asset Managers, Euroclear



Corinne Neale

Managing Director, Global Head of ESG Applications, BNY Mellon Data and Platform Solutions, BNY Mellon



Bill Stenning

Head of Public Affairs, UK , Société Générale

16:45 / **Closing Remarks**

17:00 / **Networking Drinks Reception sponsored by Snowflake**

Day 2 - Wednesday, 28 September 2022

08:15 / Registration

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09:00 / Opening Remarks

09:15 / Keynote Address

MODERATOR

James Kemp

Managing Director, Global FX, Technology and Operations and Policy Divisions, GFMA and AFME

SPEAKER



Sir Jon Cunliffe

Deputy Governor for Financial Stability, Bank of England

09:45 / **Panel discussion**
Digital Assets: The Biggest Opportunity of the Decade?

OVERVIEW

- / How far away are we from widespread institutional adoption of digital assets?
- / What are the current regulatory barriers to adoption

MODERATOR



Nick Philpott

Chief Operating Officer, Zodia Markets

SPEAKERS



Angus Fletcher

CEO, Finality UK



Montserrat Farina

Executive Director, Regulatory Affairs Corporate and Investment Bank, JPMorgan



Etay Katz

Partner, Ashurst



Solene Khy

Head of Product Management, Commodity, Equity, FX and Cryptocurrency derivatives, Murex



Pierre Pourquery

Partner, EY

10:45 / **Networking Coffee Break**

11:15 / **Panel discussion**
CBDCs and Stablecoins

OVERVIEW

- / Wholesale vs Retail vs Multi CBDCs
- / The future of Stablecoins
- / Challenges to global adoption

MODERATOR



Lee Braine

Managing Director, Advanced Technologies, Barclays

SPEAKERS



Keith Bear

Fellow, Centre for Alternative Finance, University of Cambridge



Jannah Patchay

Policy Lead and Originating Member, Digital Pound Foundation



Jürgen Schaaf

Advisor to the Senior Management of Market Infrastructure and Payments, European Central Bank (ECB)

Day 2 - Wednesday, 28 September 2022

12:00 / [Panel discussion](#)
Legal and Regulatory Considerations for Digital Assets

OVERVIEW

- / How are emerging digital assets challenging existing legal and regulatory frameworks?
- / How do jurisdictional approaches differ in addressing these challenges?
- / What will be the impact on market participants?

MODERATOR



Suzanne Hubble

Chief Operating Officer, Komainu

SPEAKERS



John Ho Hee Jung

Global Head, Financial Markets, Legal, Standard Chartered Bank



Diego Ballon Ossio

Senior Associate, Clifford Chance



John Siena

Associate General Counsel, Co-Head Regulatory Strategy, Brown Brothers Harriman (BBH) and



Nicole Sandler

Head of Digital Policy, Barclays

12:45 / [Keynote Address](#)
Digital Assets

SPEAKER



Alex Ivančo

Director, Financial Markets III Department, Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic

13:15 / **Networking Lunch**

14:15 / **Panel discussion**
Digital Assets: Opportunities and Challenges for EU Capital Markets

Stream A - Technology and Innovation

OVERVIEW

- / What are the top distributed ledger technology (DLT) priorities for Europe's capital markets?
- / How can the industry and regulators work together to use digital assets safely?
- / What are the relevant proposed EU regulations to watch in the digital assets space?

MODERATOR



Elise Soucie

Associate Director, Technology and Operations, AFME

SPEAKERS



Sabih Behzad

Global Head of Digital Assets and Currencies Transformation, Deutsche Bank AG



Elisabeth Noble

Senior Policy Expert and MiCA Project Team Leader, European Banking Authority (EBA)



Alexander Tollast

Counsel, Clifford Chance



Mark Williamson

MD, Global Head of FX Partnerships and Propositions, HSBC

14:15 / **Panel discussion**
T+1 Settlement

Stream B - Post Trade

OVERVIEW

- / Should Europe follow the US in adopting T+1?
- / What are the key opportunities and challenges?
- / Is this an inevitable step towards T+0?

MODERATOR



Sonia Paston-Bedingfeld

Executive Director – Post Trade & Custody Strategy, Network Management, UBS

SPEAKERS



Pardeep Cassells

Head of Securities and Claims, AccessFintech



Andrew Douglas

Managing Director, Government Relations for EMEA and Asia, DTCC



Sachin Mohindra

Executive Director, Market Solutions, Goldman Sachs

Panel discussion

15:00 / The Regulation and Governance of Artificial Intelligence

Stream A - Technology and Innovation

OVERVIEW

- / How will the EU regulatory proposals fit within the global context of AI?
- / How to operationalise ethics in data and AI?
- / What are the opportunities for financial institutions?

MODERATOR

Tola Gbadebo

Interim Associate Director, CCA and TO, AFME

SPEAKERS



Sarah Gadd

Managing Director, Credit Suisse AG



Andrei Ilchenko

Global Head of IT Financial Markets and Group Treasury, ING Group



Jesús Lozano

Senior Manager Digital Regulation, BBVA



Kai Zenner

Head of Office, Digital Policy Adviser (MEP Axel Voss), European Parliament

15:00 / **Panel discussion**
The Future of Central Clearing

Stream B - Post Trade

OVERVIEW

- / What impact will new technology, such as DLT, have on current clearing models?
- / Interoperability for cash equities: Is 3 the magic number?
- / Is there any sign of clearing balances shifting towards the EU?
- / How can the EU improve the attractiveness of its clearing markets?

MODERATOR



Pablo Portugal

Managing Director, Advocacy, AFME

SPEAKERS



Haroun Boucheta

Head of Public Affairs, BNP Paribas Securities Services



Laura Bayley

Head Clearing Services, SIX



Ivan Gilmore

Head of Cash Equities, LCH Ltd and LCH SA



María José Gómez Yubero

Head of Resolution, Benchmarks and Financial Stability, Spanish National Securities Market Commission (CNMV)

15:45 / **Networking Coffee Break**

Day 2 - Wednesday, 28 September 2022

16:10 / **Presentation**
The Workplace of the Future

SPEAKER



Nick Jankel

Co-founder, Switch On and Co-founder, FutureMakers

16:30 / **Panel discussion**
The Workplace of the Future

OVERVIEW

- / How have firms managed the transition to hybrid working?
- / Can Financial Services compete with Big Tech to attract the best new talent?
- / How can we build diversity, equity and inclusion in the workplace?

MODERATOR



Janine Hirt

CEO, Innovate Finance

SPEAKERS



Sarah Guerra

Head of Division: Culture, Diversity and Inclusion, Bank of England



Nick Jankel

Co-founder, Switch On and Co-founder, FutureMakers



Peter Richardson

Managing Director, Business Process Improvement, Protiviti

17:10 / **Closing Remarks**

Day 3 - Wednesday, 18 October 2023

08:15 / Registration & refreshments

08:15 / Registration & refreshments

09:00 / Opening remarks

09:15 / [Keynote address](#)
Digital Assets
