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Sustainable Fintech in Switzerland

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Sustainable FinTech

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- 1. Trends in FinTech
- 2. Deep Dive to Sustainable Digital Finance
- 3. Why Switzerland is one of the Hotspots for FinTech



1. Trends in FinTech

- Fintech is evolving into all financial domains including payments, investments and financing and especially RegTech, Capital Markets and InsurTech.
- Fintech becomes part of cross-industry **"Digital Ecosystems"** evolving into centralized and / or decentralized approaches.
- A third and currently emerging trend is the use of FinTech in the domain of **sustainability** which allows to increase the impact on economic, social and environmental conditions.



2. Deep Dive to Sustainable Digital Finance

- The **financial sector is one of the key pillars of sustainability**. (e.g., digital financing enabled agricultural supply chains).
- Sustainable Digital Finance has an enormous impact on social and environmental conditions (e.g., Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) from the Financial Stability Board).
- A new Global Center for Sustainable Digital Finance from Stanford University and the University of Zurich (<u>www.sustainable-digital-finance.org</u>) aims at conducting research and creating innovations (e.g., accelerator, start-ups, etc.)



3. Why Switzerland is one of the Hotspots for FinTech

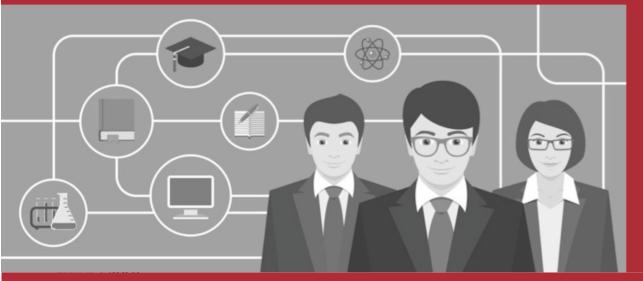
- Switzerland is Europe's No. 1 innovation champion and the No.
 1 wealth management financial center in the world.
- Switzerland has evolved into one of the major FinTech hubs in the region with more than 360 FinTech start-ups and a broad variety of blockchain and crypto start-ups.
- Switzerland has a **very well regulated financial services industry** including novel (de-)regulations for FinTech and blockchain.
- South Korea and Switzerland have an innovation agreement which allows funding of science-based innovation from both national innovation agencies (Korea Institute for Advancement of Technology (KIAT) and Innosuisse).



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I. Fintech by sector in Korea

Banking(Simple Payment& Remittance)

Comparison of Top 4 Simple Payment Service Platform

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	Samsung Pay	Kakao Pay	Naver Pay	Toss
Monthly Transaction	KRW 1 Trillion (USD 835 Million)	KRW 4 Trillion (USD 3342 Million)	KRW 1.4 Trillion (USD 1169 Million)	KRW 4 Trillion (USD 3342 Million)
Accumulated User	14 Million (04.2019)	30 Million (08.2019)	30 Million (08.2019)	30 Million (08.2019)
Not e	• Released in 08-2015 • NFC, MST method • No.1 Market share in offline • Service in 20 countries	• Released in 2014 (The first) • The highest monthly transaction	The highest accumulated user 190K online member stores Plan to proceed financial service with Mirae Asset	Released in 02.2015 Sell the Mini- Insurance Expansion Life-Finance Services

Simple payment market rapidly grows in Korea(tripled in last 3 years)

Neo Bank

Current Status of Neo Bank Success Factors Effects Digitalization Non-face-to-face accounts & 40 million transactions KakaoTalk members High competition in bank Customer-friendly UI, UX ecosystem Mobile-only strategies → Importance of security Focusing on mobile Catfish effect Unconditional Loan at low interest rate Fusion and bundling service expansion \rightarrow Strengthen link with other industry - 10

- Kakao Bank accumulated 4.35 million non-face-to-face accounts within 100 days after start of services
- It turned to a surplus in two years

I. Fintech by sector in Korea

P2P Lending

Current Status of P2P Lending



It is concerned because real estate-related loans are significant portion(86%) of total P2P lending

Robo-Advisor

Current Status of Robo-Advisor

'Koscom' Robo-advisor Test-bed

Robo-advisory Test-bed Rate of Return for 5 Months (Unit : %) Туре Algorithm Rate 9.7 Data and Analytics FASST Korea Kium Momentum 6.3 QV Pension Portfolio 6.2 KFI 177 6.0 KB Robo-rider 5.9 Korean KODEX Robo-solution 1 5.5 Daishin Robo-balance 54 Kium Multi Asset 44 KEB Hana Craft Asset Allocation Alpha 4.1 Samsung POP Robo Stock Fund 3.2 KimRobo Global 01 91 December USA Stock Solution 4.3 Overseas 25 ATOM Global Dynamic * 22-May-2017~26-Oct. Source : Koscom

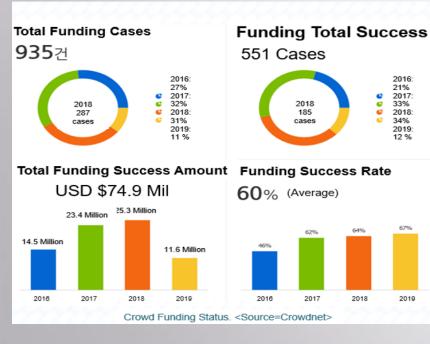
Robo-Advisor's growth potential is relatively high

→ estimated KRW 2 trillion(USD 1,670) in 2021

I. Fintech by sector in Korea

Crowdfunding

Current Status of Crowdfunding



50mil US\$ in 2017 -> 260 mil US% in 2019(5times in 3 years)

-> very rapid growth

Insurance

Major Insurance companies' Insurtech innovation

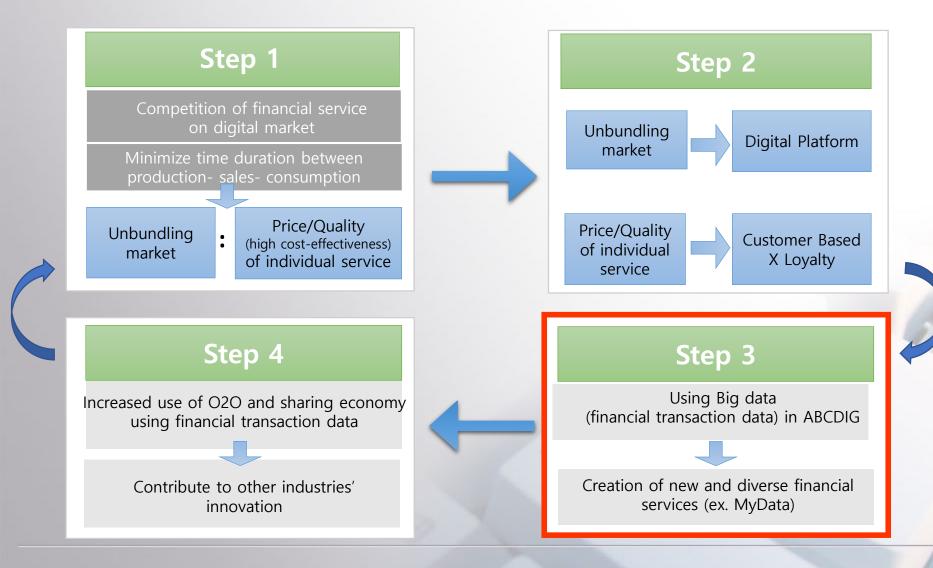
Insurance Company	Contents
SAMSUNG LIFE INSURANCE	Establish CVC for Insurtech Startup Investment
KYOBO LIFE INSURANCE	Launch Blockchain Combined Disease Prediction Service
HANWHA GENERAL INSURANCE	SK telecom- Hyundai Motor establishes "Internet based Insurance company"
DB INSURANCE	Signed an MoU for Insurtech research with Korea Internet&Security Agency
KB INSURANCE	MoU signed by three parties to prepare a simple claim system
HANA LIFE INSURANCE	Signed with InsureTech Company "Ubicare" to develop health-enhancing products

Driving habit-linked & Health-linked insurances start to release onto the market

 $\rightarrow\,$ Health care Insurtech products have increased in recent years due to aging society and bigdata analysis

II. Fintech Innovation Stage

Four step of innovation in finance to support innovative growth



IV. Environmental Change in Fintech Industry

2 environmental changes based on the Financial Innovation Support Act

The Korean National Assembly passed a legislation called the Financial Innovation Support Act (the "FinISA") on December 7, 2018. Base on this Act, **Regulatory Sandbox policy** and **Open Banking** came into force.

(1) Regulatory Sandbox

(2) Buckle down to Open Banking

The amendments to the three major data privacy laws

1 Personal Information Protection Act

(2) Act on Promotion of Information and Communications Network Utilization and Information Protection

③ Credit Information Use and Protection Act

FinDX(Financial Data Exchange Platform, www.data.go.kr)

Opening "FinDX" in May 2020
 Trading Data : financial, e-commerce, distribution, real-estate, AI, telecommunication, medical(Only partially allowed by law) etc.

V. Challenge for Fintech Industry

New Business Model : MyData

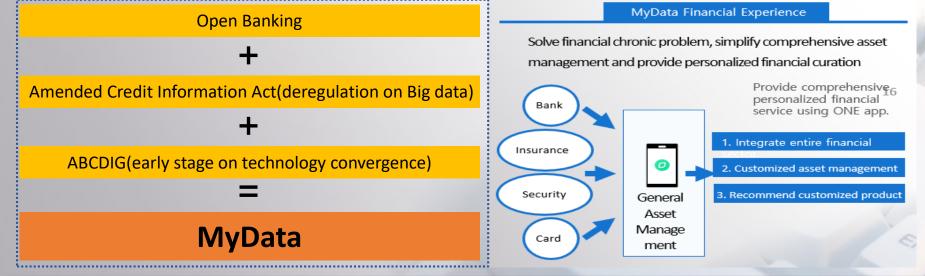
Concepts & Business Model of MyData

1 Concepts

 Gather MyData based on the "Right to Data Portability" collected by a third party(MyData company)

② Business Model

- To see integrated individual's own financial information
- More efficient asset management for individual



V. Challenge for Fintech Industry

Go Global Financial Market through Fintech

Questions for Korean fintech firms to do business in EU

- Do you have regulation Sandbox in EU?
- European tax structure
 - What kind of tax structure(ex. holding company) has benefit in EU? (ex : Luxemburg, Netherland etc.)
- European demand for Fintech technology and business model
 - What kind of business models and technologies are strong in demand in EU?

Regulatory landscape for FinTech in Switzerland

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REGULATION AND AUTHORITIES

- The Swiss Financial Market is regulated on a federal level there are no local differences
- Although many Swiss financial market laws have similarities to the laws of the European Economic Area, they differ as Switzerland is separate
- All activities related to the financial market are supervised by the Swiss Financial Market Authority (FINMA) that acts as a single authority – conflicts of competences do not exist
- FINMA maintains a FinTech desk with specialists that have a deepunderstanding of various technologies – you can have a conversation on the same level of knowledge
- FINMA offers the possibility to submit FinTech projects for review if FINMA agrees with the legal analysis in the project description they issue a non-action letter

SPECIFIC AREAS OF FINTECH

DLT/Blockchain projects

- Switzerland is a hub for DLT-blockchain projects
- Clear guidance by FINMA on the qualification of tokens (publicly available guidance on the regulatory qualification of ICO's and tokens)
- ICO-Guidance <u>https://bit.ly/2DoekzN</u>
- Stablecoin-Guidance https://bit.ly/3e810Mx

Neo-Banking/Payment Solutions

- Promotion of innovation "Sandbox-Solution" no banking license for payment systems required for accepting of funds up to CHF 1m or less than CHF 3k per client
- FinTech license/Banking license special license for FinTech companies that permits accepting of funds up to CHF 100m pre-stage of becoming a bank.

Crowdfunding

 Money can be held by the crowdfunding provider for up to 60 days (no amount limitation) without the need of a banking license

OTHER ASPECTS OF SWITZERLAND

Technology affinity of other authorities

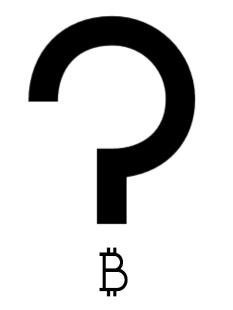
- Likewise FINMA, other authorities such as the tax authorities are also tech affine tax authorities are also open for project discussion and issue tax ruling on national and cross-border matters
- All Swiss authorities apply the laws in a technology neutral way tech projects shall not be treated worse than traditional projects

Optimization of laws to enable technology

- Legal certainty Switzerland has initiated a process in 2017/2018 to verify whether certain laws (civil and public laws, including financial market laws) must be adjusted – instead of creating a new law, Switzerland focused on fine-tuning that is based on well-established legal principles.
- The Swiss government strives to create technology neutral laws.

Large Ecosystem

 Switzerland has a large ecosystem of FinTech companies and service providers. It also has a strong position in the "old-financial" world and provides access to major financial institutions that are now also focusing on technology. **QUESTIONS?**



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SPECIALIST IN DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES



- Ronald Kogens specializes in disruptive and new technologies and represents companies at all stages of their life cycles from formation, business model/product structuring and fundraising through strategic transactions and public offerings.
- He has a profound knowledge of technology, IP and financial market law, in particular in the legal and technical aspects of FinTech business models and the tokenization of financial products, cloud infrastructures (SaaS, IaaS, PaaS), data centers, licensing of IP rights (proprietary licenses, open source licenses such as MIT, Apache, BSD, MPL 2.0, GPL 2.0, GPL 3.0 or AGPL 3.0), software development, and forming decentralized ecosystems (decentralized, autonomous organizations or full economies) using DLT as well as blockchain technology (industry related permissioned blockchains, public-chain layer-two scaling solutions or side chains).
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