# Dialogue on the Future of Banking





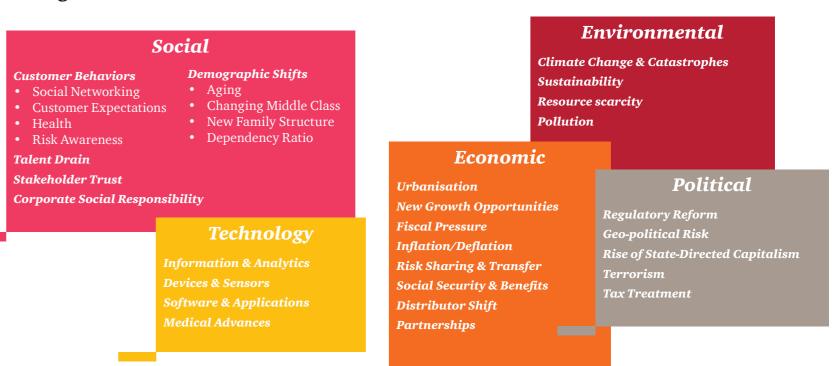
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## 1. Setting the scene



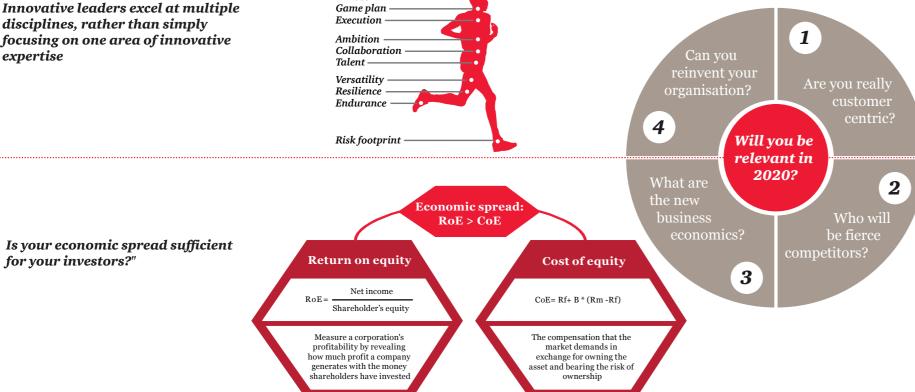
## 2. Megatrends - STEEP



## 3. Several questions leading to the overall question: "Will you be relevant in 2020?"

Mindset

Innovative leaders excel at multiple disciplines, rather than simply focusing on one area of innovative expertise





Across retail and corporate banking, customer expectations reflect changes in society



- PSPs and EMIs
- Credit card companies
- Virtual currencies Telco's
- Retailers

### **Investments**

- "Early disruptors"
- Execution only platforms

- **Lending** Capital markets
- · Private placements, specialised
- funds, private equity Structured finance and securitisation
- Credit unions P2P and crowd funders
- Vehicles by insurers

## Mortgages Mortgages Core Banking ments services Lending Savings

Insurers

Other services

Specialised aggregators

P2P and crowd funders

- Financial advice
- Currency exchange

## Savings

Specialised aggregators

## Summary of the Future of Banking dialogue

The European banking landscape is rapidly changing. Banks' core competitive advantages over new entrants are being eroded mainly by fast paced changes in **technology and regulation**, making it difficult to generate returns above the cost of capital. European banks need to radically overhaul their technology infrastructure if they are to battle the competitive threats to their business from a host of new entrants.

To date, many banks have focused their digital investments on improving their ability to do simple transactions through online or mobile channels, thereby reducing brick-and-mortar branch costs. They haven't devoted as much attention to making customers' banking lives more convenient, easy and engaging, by creating a **differentiated customer experience** featuring truly innovative, useful digital applications and a seamless integration of all channels (also referred to as 'omnichannel').

In the meantime, the European Commission has been keen to **encourage competition and lower the barrier for new entrants** into the market. Emerging business models are using new technologies to re-invent key elements of financial services and new players are undermining the traditional bank business model by cherry-picking more attractive parts of the business.

To succeed in this rapidly changing landscape, banks need to have a clear sense of the posture and role they wish to adopt – whether to shape the industry, rapidly follow the leaders, or manage defensively, putting off change. They need to have a **clear strategy to deal with these challenge**s and address these priorities, including considering partnerships with third parties and applying lessons from other industries. Of course, the level of focus on each of them depends both on a bank's starting point, and its unique strengths and challenges. However, each priority is important, and success will come from a balanced execution across them – and a balance of tactical initiatives and longer term programs, all coming together as an integrated whole.

The 'Future of Banking dialogue' is structured around the question: "Will you be relevant in 2020?". In order to get to an answer to this question, four sub-questions have been defined which focus on customer centricity, new entrants into the market, the new business economics, and finally reinvention of your organisation. For each of these sub-questions, an overview is provided of the relevant megatrends and the impact of these megatrends on the banking business is assessed and to illustrate this some examples are given.

Banks have successfully adopted technological developments - such as the rise of the Internet - that threatened their model in the past but this time it could be different...

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