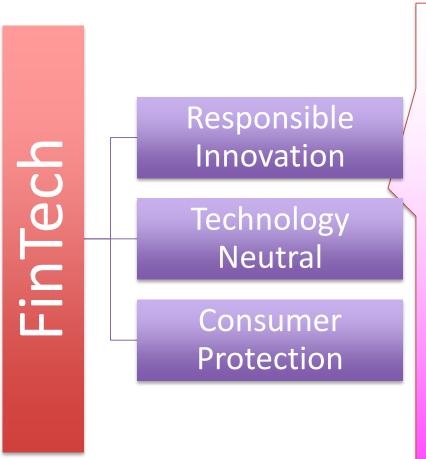
# Fintech Regulatory Roundtable Taiwan Experience Sharing



Financial Supervisory Commission May 22, 2019

### FSC Philosophy and Policy on Fintech



- Incubating innovators
  - Increase channels for dialogue
  - Create regulatory sandbox
  - Set up innovation hubs
  - Hold Fintech exhibition
- Upgrading financial institutions
  - · Relax investment restrictions
  - Enhance Capacity building
- Inducing catfish effect
  - Approve internet-only banks
- Ensuring info security
  - Establish F-ISAC
- Networking & Cooperation
  - Sign MOU...

#### Sandbox

## Financial Services

Using new tech or business models to provide FS that require approvals.

#### **Experiment period**

1 year, can extend one time for 6 months.



NT\$100mn=PLN 12.28mn

#### **Applicants**

Domestic/foreign, natural/juridical persons.

#### Scope limitation

Overall risk exposure=NT\$100mn Insurance=NT\$1 mn Consumer credit=NT\$0.5mn Insurance premium=NT\$100,000 Others=NT\$250,000

Exemptions on related financial laws and regulations

 Updates: 11 applications accepted for review, and 3 have been approved. 27 cases are under counseling and guidance

#### • Under experiments:

- using personal info. in mobile phone co. to access bank loans and credit card applications;
- foreign workers cross-border remittance

Application updates	accepted	guidance
total	11	46
approved	3	_
rejected	1	
reviewing	7	_
under guidance	_	27
unclear ideas and need further structuring	_	19



Date: May 15, 2019

## **FintechSpace**

- Purposes: provide innovators w/ resources of initial operations, create opportunities for cooperation
- Establishment: opened on 9/18/2018
- Major features: regulatory clinic, digital sandbox, enterprise laboratory, theme space design, co-creation alliance, and international networks



#### updates

Innovators	45 innovators (including 8 teams from SG, USA, JP, Ph & HK, 1 int'l exchange team & 1 int'l accelerator)
Regulatory clinic	49 teams have received 1-on-1 consultation from FSC staff since 10/16/2018 (every Wednesday afternoon, free of charge)
Digital sandbox	14 institutions offering data for API and 12 universities for cooperation
Inter'l links	Info/resource exchange and cooperation agreements with USA, UK, AU, SG, Portland
Thematic workshop	Topics include: regulatory sandbox, KYC/DD, AML, payment, AI adoption

## Fintech Taipei 2019 (Exhibition):

• Purpose: Showcase Taiwan's strengths & energy on Fintech development

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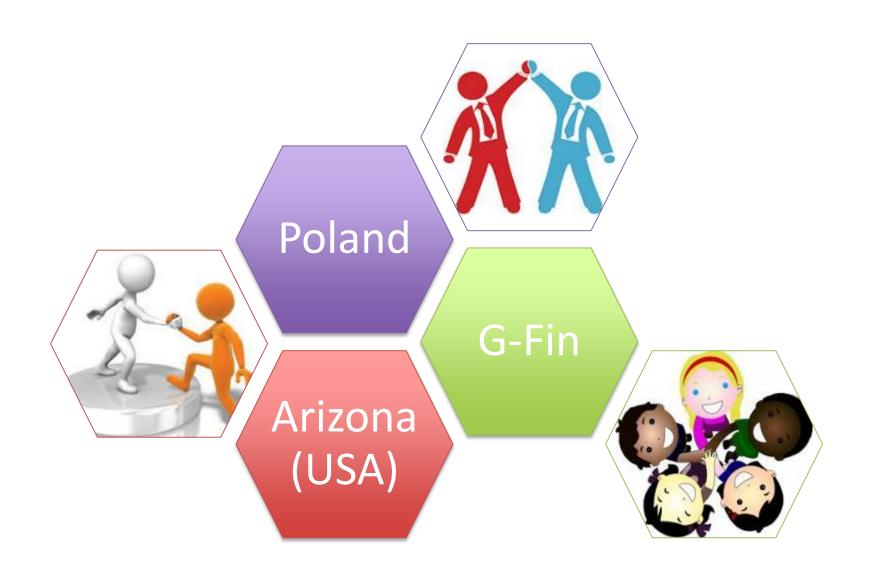
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- **Dates:** November 29 and 30, 2019
- Major activities:
  - **♦** International trend seminar
  - **♦** Fintech innovative forums
  - ◆ Spotlight theme showroom
  - **♦** Demos
  - **♦** Match-making events

## Last year's exhibitors reached 200 firms and 32,000 visitors



## **Networking and Cooperation**



## Non-FIs unfamiliar with rules/practices

#### **Challenges**

- Limited knowledge
   /experience on financial
   practices, KYC, AML, risk
   management, data privacy,
   consumer protection
- Very ambitious on conducting omni-bearing financial businesses

#### **Solutions**

- FSC (Fintech Center): consultation and guidance services
- FintechSpace (incubator): regulatory clinic, health check
- MoEA & FSC (Front shop back factory): clarify grey areas

#### **Fintech Center Consultation Process**

- With staff from Fintech Center and bureaus
- Identify financial businesses, model/tech feasibility, rules to be exempted

Idea Exchange

#### Draft Preparation

- With Fintech Center staff
- Ensure requirements on 14 items are covered in draft application
- With staff from Fintech Center and bureaus
- Offer comments and suggestions on draft

Draft Discussion

#### **Taskforce**

- Staff from Fintech Center/legal/IT
- Offer recommendations for Review Meeting

#### **Review Meeting**

- With external members
- Presentation, Q&A,
  Discussion, resolution

## **Regulatory Clinic**

1-on-1

Specific questions

Staff from FSC

Every Wednesday Pass on experience



## Regulators insufficient tech expertise

#### **Challenges**

- New business models, new technologies involving AI, big data, cloud computing, DLT,...
- Questions on their judgement to approve experiments

#### **Solutions**

 Sandbox's review meeting invites external experts, professionals from related government agencies

#### Review committee:

- 7-21 ppl, 1/3~1/2 experts
- Make decision within 60 days
- FS efficiency, costs, benefits to consumers/corporations

## Questions on time and way to market

#### **Challenges**

- Law amendments need time. Can experimenters market their new models upon finishing their tests?
- Legal compliance, operational costs are high if non-FIs intends to recruit customers

#### **Solutions**

- Successful experiments can be extended upto 3 years if law amendments are required
- Start planning law amendments when seeing test potential (e.g., limited license)
- Give advice for cooperation, match-making services, referrals

## Competition or Cooperation?

#### **Challenges**

- Open banking
  - Banks bear full responsibility of consumer disputes
  - TSPs should be supervised
  - Data protection/IT security
- Credit information
  - Banks think non-FIs free-rider
  - Security issues

#### **Solutions**

- Open banking
  - Voluntary-based
  - Self-regulation (drafted by Bankers' Association)
  - API standards (set by Financial Info. Services co.)
- Credit Information
  - Opened up to insurance co.
    and securities firms who
    extend credits to customers
- Security issue

#### **Ensuring Info. Security --F-ISAC's 6 functions**

- Established in Dec. 2017, integrating banks, securities, futures, and insurance companies into the joint defense system (358 members)
- Expected benefits:
  - Early warning
  - > Emergency response
  - > Joint defense
  - Improving overall response
  - Capability building of protection



# Most great learning happens in groups. Collaboration is the stuff of growth.

Sir Ken Robinson Ph.D.

