







FSS 2020 International Conference

Information and Communications Technology

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Presentation Objectives

- Present an overview of the use of ICT in the Nigerian Financial Services Industry
- Discuss key issues facing the use of ICT in the FS & Nigeria, identify gaps & Key Success Factors
- Discuss the ICT vision for FS2020
- Identify Strategic Initiatives
- Propose a broad Implementation Plan with timelines



The Challenge

- To develop an IT strategy that will support the successful achievement of FSS 2020 Vision, Mission and Strategic Objectives.
- To formulate ICT strategic plans that will enable the use of Information Technology to transform productivity, generate economic growth and improve the quality of life
- To develop strategies and initiatives that is relevant to our environment which will conform with global trends/standards







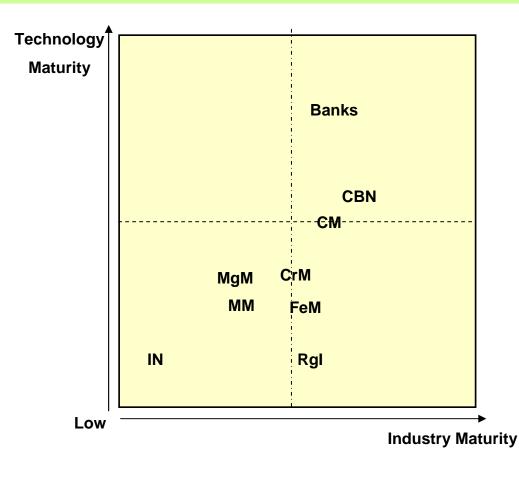
AN OVERVIEW OF ICT IN THE NIGERIAN FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY





Assessment of usage of ICT in the FS Industry by key Players/Markets

ICT use in Nigeria's financial services sector is growing however its overall adoption industry-wide has been low



Legend

CBN - Central Bank

CM - Capital Market

CrM - Credit Market

FeM - Foreign Exchange Market

IN - Insurance

MM - Money Market

MgM - Mortgage Market

RgI - Other Regulatory Institutions



Industry Trends

- The banking sector has made huge investments in ICT and has pioneered the use of a number of innovative ICT-driven business solutions
- Technological resources are now being used to
 - manage the business
 - manage risks
 - enhance operations,
 - develop and deliver products & services
 - achieve the much-needed competitive advantage
 - The recent adoption of e-payment systems has resulted in
 - Increased proliferation of ATMs at secured locations nationwide
 - Growing acceptance by citizenry
 - Rapidly increasing monthly volume and value of e-transactions



Global Trends

A study of the global trends reveal that countries with developed economies:

- achieve their success with robust ICT infrastructure and support
- run their financial services on an integrated network
- developed and implemented ICT tools to effectively anticipate, identify, mitigate and manage several risks
- ensured information systems security
 - established strong collaboration between public and private sector







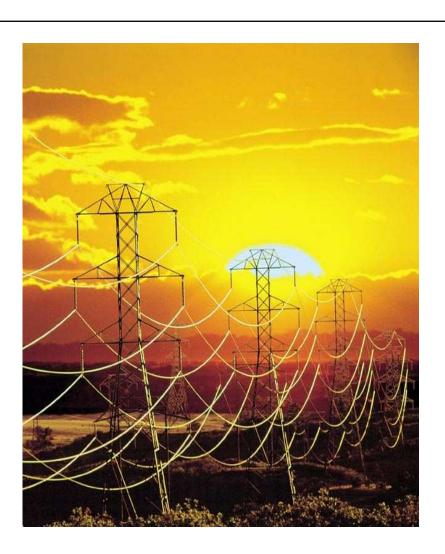
ISSUES, GAPS & KEY SUCCESS FACTORS





Issues affecting use of IT in Nigeria

- Weak Communication Infrastructure
- Inadequate electricity supply
- Low IT education
- Low IT penetration
- Inadequate IT security
- High Cost of Implementation
- Low industry collaboration
- Poor systems implementation
- Poor Transaction Monitoring
- E-payment challenges
 - Discrimination
 - Limited channels' outlets
 - Absence of legal framework





Key Success Factors

- Rapid development of communications network - build new and leverage on existing communications infrastructure
- Availability of constant electricity supply
- Collaboration between regulators and operators within the financial services Industry
- Defined standards for interoperability
- Clearly defined industry standards, policies, processes and procedures
- Clearly defined and non-disruptive implementation approach
- Availability of skilled manpower
- Government Support







ICT VISION AND MISSION



"To Make Financial Services & Products Readily Available to Everyone, Everytime, Everywhere"



To use Technology to develop and support an Accessible, Secure, Reliable, Affordable and Collaborative Financial System



By the year 2020, there will be:

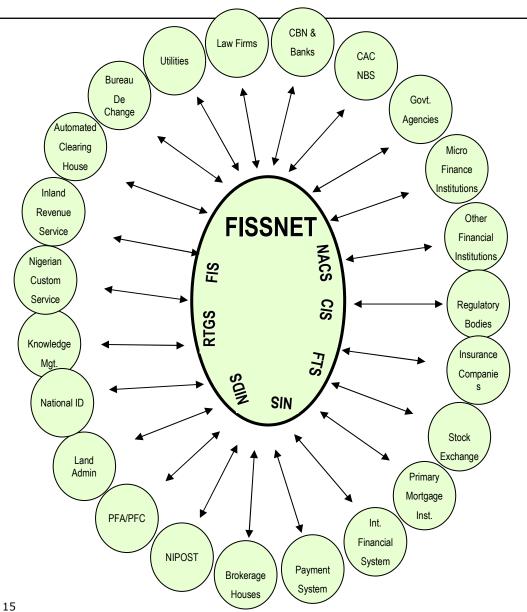
- Adequate technological infrastructure:
 - Optic fiber backbone and wireless connectivity nationwide
 - High ICT penetration and literacy
 - Easy and affordable access to all service delivery channels

- Financial products & services available nationwide:
 - can be purchased online through service delivery channels like mobile phones, ATMs or kiosks
 - financial instruments are dematerialized and available online
 - credit Information & financial statistics available within the Financial systems network



Proposed Industry Model

- A 'virtual' network of Financial Systems tagged FISSNET (Financial Integrated System **Services Network)**
- FISSNET network will be a joint public and private sector partnership initiative
- It will be accessible through multiple service delivery channels nationwide







STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES & INITIATIVES

Framework



Implementation Strategy

Implement FISSNET interface between Financial and non Financials systems within FSI

Integrate payment systems

Provide public services through IT (E-governance)

Establish Service Delivery Channels

Establish Security Framework

Develop ICT Infrastructure

Establish Standards Framework for Information Sharing/collaboration Develop Legal Framework for Electronic Transactions



Objective 1: Create a legal and regulatory framework for electronic business transactions

- Initiative 1: Create the legal and regulatory framework which will support electronic transactions and enforce compliance to standards
 - Law to address electronic and internet access issues; consumer protection and data protection/privacy laws (protecting electronic records)
 - Laws permitting electronic filing of documents (e.g. with government) and providing legitimacy to electronic transactions
 - Electronic signature law
 - E-payment laws



Objective 2: Develop frameworks, guidelines and standards to enable IT driven/ based reporting, compliance monitoring, and risk management

- Initiative 1: Establish an organization to develop guidelines, frameworks and standards & monitor compliance.
- Initiative 2: Develop and implement ICT risk management standards and policies
- **Initiative 3:** Develop a reporting framework for corporate governance and compliance

Objective 3: Develop the ICT infrastructure that makes Financial Services available nationwide and meets current and anticipated future requirements

- Initiative 1: Extend fiber optic backbone to the whole country
- **Initiative 2**: Provide infrastructure required for broadband access nationwide



Objective 4: Design and implement a robust security framework and operational infrastructure

- **Initiative 1:** Develop an information security management program for the financial system by developing reliable security strategies, processes, policies and methodologies
- Initiative 2: Implement IT security strategies, Processes and policies to achieve Financial system-wide protection:
 - Security Governance
 - System monitoring
 - Identity management
 - Threat and vulnerability management
 - Data protection
 - Virus and Malicious software monitoring



Objective 5: Establish a framework for adapting internationally accepted standards to meet local needs for information sharing and interoperability.

- Initiative 1: Create a financial services institute that will be responsible for Research and Development and implementation of financial services technology:
 - Research and Development
 - Implementing standards
 - Coordinating the Implementation of financial services technology
- Initiative 2: Adapt internationally acceptable standards within the financial system to facilitate interoperability



Objective 6: Provide public services online (e-governance)

- **Initiative 1:** Automate public service operations in government ministries, agencies and parastatals
- Initiative 2: Develop a computerized Central Identification System for Individuals and Corporates
- Initiative 3: Roll out additional public services online
- Initiative 4: Create policies and infrastructure to ensure that taxes can be paid electronically
- Initiative 5: Create incentives to encourage individuals to make payments electronically
- Initiative 6: Develop a computerized and integrated land registry that is accessible online



Objective 7: Use ICT to increase the delivery of financial products and services to unbanked individuals and rural communities

- Initiative 1: Enhance the use of mobile devices, ATMs and the internet as service delivery channels by making more products and services available on them
- Initiative 2: Create a communications and technology infrastructure/network that would enable and drive the use of public establishments like post offices as financial service delivery channels for rural and remote areas
- **Initiative 3:** Facilitate the establishment of other service delivery channels such as Kiosks, etc.



Objective 8: Develop and implement an Financial Integrated System Services Network (FISSNET)

- Initiative 1: Create a coordinating body for managing the financial systems network
- Initiative 2: Develop and implement business continuity and disaster recovery plans for the financial systems network
- Initiative 3: Create a database for dematerialized financial instruments and collateral
- Initiative 4: Create an integrated referencing platform that includes: credit bureaus, identification system for users, collateral registry and repository of financial instruments
- Initiative 5: Design and implement a Comprehensive Financial Information Service that captures transactions within the Financial Systems network



Objective 8: Develop and implement an Financial Integrated System Services Network (FISSNET)

- Initiative 6: Design an automated competency information system to collate and continuously update data on competency levels in the Financial Services System
- Initiative 7: Implement the first phase of the virtual and collaborative financial systems network comprising:
 - National Identification System (NIS)
 - Real Time Gross Settlement System (RTGS)
 - Financial Trading System (FTS)
 - National Automated Clearing System (NACS)
 - Financial Information System (FIS)



Objective 8: Develop and implement an Financial Integrated System Services Network (FISSNET)

- Initiative 8: Implement the second phase of the virtual and collaborative financial systems network comprising:
 - National Instrument Depository Service (NIDS)
 - Competency Information System (CIS)
- Initiative 9: Implement the third phase of the virtual and collaborative financial systems network



Implementation Plan & Timelines

Strategic Objective	Description	Timeline
1	Create a legal and regulatory framework for electronic business transactions	2008
2	Develop frameworks, guidelines and standards to enable IT-driven/based reporting, compliance monitoring, and risk management	2008
3	Develop the ICT infrastructure that makes Financial Services available nationwide and meets current and anticipated future requirements	2012
4	Design and implement a robust security framework and operational infrastructure	2010



Implementation Plan & Timelines

Strategic Objective	Description	Timeline
5	Establish a framework for adapting internationally accepted standards to meet local needs for information sharing and interoperability	2008
6	Provide public services online (e-governance)	2012
7	Use ICT to increase the delivery of financial products and services to un-banked individuals and rural communities	2012
8	Develop and implement an Financial Integrated System Services Network (FISSNET)	2012



In Conclusion

Information and Communications Technology:

- plays a vital role in helping nations achieve economic expansion and become major financial centers.
- provides support required to achieve competitive advantage
- is an essential tool for creating vibrant public and private sectors



Proper ICT adoption is essential for successful implementation of FSS2020 Strategy