Excellence in Digital Banking 5.0 2025 International Summit



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WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER



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Digital Banking and Open Banking

08:55 Opening Words from the Chairperson

09:00 From Zero to Ella: How we Reimagined customer experience with a GenAl agent Inside a licensed bank

- How Ella has processed over 4 million messages, resolved 70% of requests without human intervention, and contributed to a 15% increase in CSAT and drives 10% ARPU growth.
- Designing Al interactions that build trust with first-time Al users in banking.
- Balancing innovation and risk: integrating LLMs into core banking workflows without compromising compliance.
- Defining where GenAl adds value and where traditional tools and solutions are still required.
- Transitioning from reactive support to proactive, AI-led customer relationships.

Niv Netzer One Zero Bank Product Leader



09:40 Adapting to the Shifting Landscape of Digital Banking

- Identifying key market drivers shaping the future of digital banking
- Balancing innovation with customer trust and compliance
- Strategies to stay competitive amid rapid technological change

Hanna Sarraf Chief Risk Officer Monzo Europe



10:20 Networking Break

11:00 Merging Online and Offline Banking for a Cohesive Customer Journey

- Offering real-time customer support across physical and digital channels
- Allowing seamless transitions between in-person and online services
- Creating unified customer profiles for consistent experiences

Tomas Reytt
Director of Sales and Distributional Channels
mBank. Czechia



11:40 Key Market Trends Redefining the Future of Financial Services

- The impact of fintech disruptors on traditional banking
- The rise of embedded finance and Banking-as-a-Service (BaaS)
- Meeting customer demand for real-time, frictionless transactions

Shamsh Hoda AI & Digital Innovation Strategist Commerzbank, Germany



12:20 Lunch Break

13:30 Advancing Consumer Engagement - Are We Reaching True Digital Maturity?

- Measuring the success of digital engagement strategies
- Balancing personalization with customer privacy
- Building long-term customer loyalty through value-driven interactions

Mark Rydqvist
Managing Director EMEA Financial Services
Google, UK



14:10 Green field technology and data analytics boosting strategy and customer inclusion, or similar with bullets around:

- Data as the center of bank operations and systems
- Platform banking
- Embedded technology democratizing access to credit

Jarkko Maensivu CEO & Chairman Saldo Bank, Finland



14:50 Networking Break

15:30 From Legacy to Leading Edge: A Real-World Digital Banking Transformation Story

16:10 Modernizing Financial Crime Systems in the Age of Digital Banking: Lessons from a Live Transformation

 (Drivers for Change, Selection and Implementation Journey, technology and Innovation, Lessons Learned & Best Practices, Impact on Customer Experience and Trust).

Niki Charilaou Manager Financial Crime & Sanctions Compliance Department Bank of Cyprus



16:50 Panel Discussion:

The Future of Banking – Balancing Digital Transformation with Customer Trust

- Maintaining customer trust while adopting new digital models
- Overcoming challenges in shifting to a digital-first strategy
- Integrating customer feedback into digital transformation plans

Luis Fiestas de Fuentes Head of Digital Banking BBVA, Germany



C 17:30 Closing Words - End of Day 1





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Digital Identity and Digital Onboarding

08:55 Conference Re-Start

09:00 Creating Competitive Advantage by Reimagining Digital Onboarding & KYC and Unlocking Embedded Finance

• In an increasingly digital-first world, businesses must rethink customer onboarding and KYC processes to deliver seamless, secure and regulatory compliant experiences that drive trust and conversion. At the same time, embedded finance offers a powerful opportunity to integrate financial services directly into digital platforms, creating new revenue streams and enhancing customer value. Together, these innovations can provide a significant edge in a competitive landscape.

Sadeque Ahmed Executive Director JP Morgan, UK



09:40 Marriage of convenience: The intersection of banking and crypto

Gabriel Ayala Managing Director Banking Solutions Bit2me. Spain



10:20 Networking Break

11:00 Proactively Identifying and Preventing Fraud Through Advanced Analytics

- Monitoring real-time transaction data for suspicious activity
- Using machine learning to detect anomalies and prevent breaches
- Implementing automated responses to security threats

Jules Ferdinand Pagna Disso

Head of Cyber Risk Intelligence, Insider Technology Risk and Digital Asset Risk BNP Paribas. UK



11:40 Modernizing Transactional Security for a Frictionless Customer Experience

- Enhancing payment security with tokenization and encryption
- Reducing false positives in fraud detection
- Improving cross-border transaction security

Marcella Verdessi

Anti-Financial Crime Quality Assurance Team Lead N26



12:20 Lunch Break

13:30 Elevating In-Branch Experiences Through Smart Digital Integration

- Introducing self-service kiosks and digital advisory tools
- Training staff to use AI and data insights for personalized service
- Enhancing branch efficiency through automated customer support

14:10 Creating a Seamless Hybrid Banking Experience – Blending Digital and Human Touchpoints

- Designing integrated customer journeys across physical and digital channels
- Enhancing the role of physical branches in a digital-first world
- Using AI and automation to improve operational efficiency and satisfaction

Aliya Das Gupta DSenior Vice President BD & Web3 Partnerships Sygnum Bank, Switzerland



14:50 Networking Break

15:30 Redefining Customer Trust Through Transparent and Secure Digital Identity Solutions

- Building customer confidence with clear data privacy policies
- Leveraging blockchain and decentralized identity for enhanced security
- Giving customers greater control over their personal data

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Ezequiel Canestrari Chief Operating Officer ClearBank Europe, UK

Clear.Bank

16:10 Panel Discussion:

Building Secure and Seamless Digital Onboarding Experiences

- Overcoming security challenges in identity verification
- Balancing security with customer convenience
- The role of AI in improving onboarding processes

C 17:00 Closing Words - End of Day 2





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Al in Digital/New Age Bankin

08:55 Opening Words from the Chairperson

09:00 Operationalising AI: Turning Infrastructure, Data, Code, Models, and Human/AI Experience into Business Value

Amit Nandi VP Solutions & Data Architect Barclays, UK



09:40 Future-Proofing the Workforce – Preparing for an Al-Driven Banking Model

- Upskilling employees to work alongside Al and automation
- Automating repetitive tasks to improve efficiency
- Developing Al governance frameworks to ensure ethical use

Aart Miedema Conversational Ai and Xft GenAi Rabobank, Netherlands



10:20 Networking Break

11:00 Liquidity prediction in times of real time payments

- what are the main obstacles for corporate clients using instant payments
- what are the differences for liquidity prediction between merchant banks and retail banks
- how is the liquidity problem solvable banks

Ulrich Loof Transaction Management DZ Bank, Germany



11:40 Gaining a Competitive Edge with Al-Driven Business Intelligence

- Identifying market opportunities and customer trends
- Enhancing decision-making through predictive analytics
- Improving customer segmentation and targeting

12:20 Lunch Break

13:30 Unlocking Hyper-Personalization Through Data and Predictive Insights

- Creating dynamic customer profiles
- Offering targeted financial products
- Building adaptive pricing models

Dirk Mourik

Director of Emerging Solutions for Mastercard Identity Mastercard, Netherlands



14:10 Panel Discussion:

Leveraging AI to Redefine Customer Experience and Operational Efficiency

- How Al-driven personalization is transforming the customer journey in digital banking
- Real-world examples of AI improving back-office operations and reducing costs
- Balancing automation with the human touch: Ensuring trust and transparency in AI applications

15:10 Closing Words - End of Conference

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