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## **Background and context**

- The global COVID-19 pandemic has not only changed the way we interact, but also the way money moves. The pandemic has accelerated the digitalization of payments and prompted consumers and businesses to rely on digital and contactless payment options when buying and selling goods and services. Besides, with the rise of open banking, a one-stop, integrated payments solution for lifestyles services is becoming increasingly important
- Banks and Payments Service Providers (PSPs) have been investing in payment modernization initiatives to shift to an open API-based architecture and adhering to the ISO 20022 payments messaging standard, which allows them to capture rich and structured data. These initiatives will help improve the payment experience
- With the rise of Alternative Payment Methods (APMs), such as crypto currencies, digital wallets, and Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDC), regulators are amplifying their scrutiny of new players and offerings. It has become mandatory for banks to upgrade their risk and compliance management systems to for better fitment to regulatory requirements and emerging security risks as a result of adoption of new forms of payments processing
- To cater for this demand, payments technology service providers are investing in next-generation digital technologies such as the cloud, API, and AI/ML to provide an integrated payment ecosystem with value-added services, while managing risk and reducing frauds
- Overall, payments as an industry, is going through radical changes around multiple different themes with consequent rise in demand for third-party payments technology. In this report, we take a closer look at payments technology market trends across products, experiences, infrastructure, regulations, data, and technology themes. We also study how technology vendors and service providers are increasing their investments to cater to these demand trends

### Scope of this report:









## **Executive summary**

Evolving regulations and customer demands for seamless experience across multiple channels are pushing banks and PSPs to invest heavily in modernizing their payments technology stack



### Drive innovation on the back of accelerated adoption of real-time payments

As governments and private organizations collaborate to launch new real-time payment schemes across geographies, BFS firms need to modernize their IT systems to tap into the new opportunities

### Scale pragmatic digital-for-efficiency initiatives to reduce the cost of operations

Adoption of AI/ML, cloud, and APIs in payments transformation journey will enable banks to achieve scalability, reduce per transaction cost of IT operations, as well as minimize regulatory penalties

### Build products/experiences to adapt to changed payments behaviors and evolving expectations

A partnership-led approach with wider financial services and technology vendor ecosystem will help banks and PSPs offer value-added services on top of traditional payments processing

### Invest early to capture share of high-growth APMs and the emerging CBDC landscape

Banks must modernize their legacy payments architecture to compete with APMs offered by FinTechs and support technologies such as DLT to enable CBDC- and cryptocurrency-based payments

### Navigate the tightening of regulatory and security norms

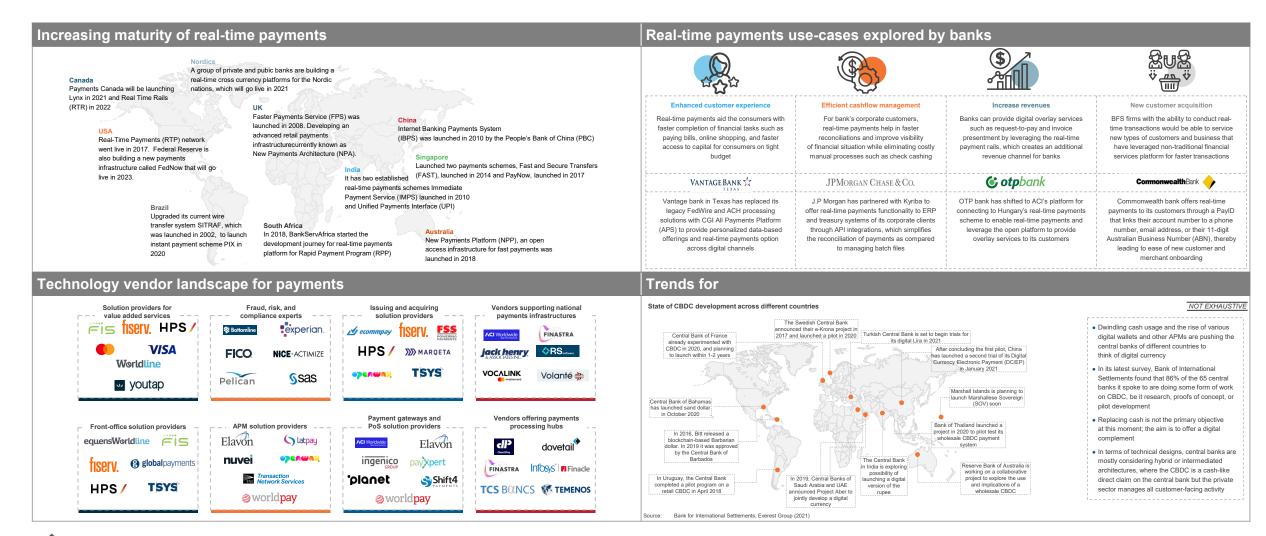
In addition to ongoing risk and fraud management mandates, payment firms are in their journey of ISO 20022 compliance. The industry is witnessing tightening of data and consumer protection norms

### Take advantage of the rich payment technology supplier ecosystem

Payment technology vendors are investing in innovative point solutions to enable BFS firms in integrating digital technologies to achieve faster time-to-market for modern payments offerings

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## This study offers six distinct chapters providing a deep dive into key aspects of payments technology market; below are four charts to illustrate the depth of the report



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