



# Disruptive Technologies

a Risk & Compliance Solutions Webinar

New advances in technology are still disrupting our industry  
— in many cases — for the best.

## Today's Panelists



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# Technology Trends to Monitor

- **Internet of Things (IoT)**
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**
- **Robotic Process Automation (RPA)**
- **Blockchain & Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT)**
- **Open Banking**
- **Big Data Analytics**

A disruptive technology is usually one that enters the mainstream and changes the way most people and consumers think or behave.

# By Definition

**Disruptive technologies** are innovations which can significantly change the way industries, businesses, and consumers operate.

Adopt

Trial

Assess

Explore



Credit unions need to ensure the financial reward or upside is compelling enough

## Disruptive Technology Considerations

Operational Forces

Strategic Forces

Regulatory Forces

Talent / Skill Challenges

User Adoption or Resistance



# Artificial Intelligence (AI)


- Customer service from chatbots and robots
- Instrumental in the way FIs enhance security and prevent / detect fraud





# Big Data

- The amount data generated by a credit union is extensive
  - Credit card transactions
  - ATM withdrawals
  - Credit scores
  - Purchase payments
- Assists with real-time business decisions including learning about spending habits, sales management (segmenting customers to optimize marketing), product cross-selling, fraud management, risk assessment



The banking sector is one of the top investors by industry in big data and business analytics solutions



# Robotic Process Automation (RPA)

RPA in the banking industry is to assist in processing work that is repetitive in nature

- Automated report generation
- Member onboarding
- Compliance
- Account opening
- Loan processing







# Artificial Intelligence Voice Interfaces

- Provides a faster way to complete tasks – such as customer support, account management, user authentication
- Speech recognition allows software programs to recognize speech
- Allows merging products/services with voice services such as Siri, Amazon Echo, or Google Assistant
- Minimizes the need for members to recall passwords and date to access accounts

## **Interactive Voice Response (IVR) tools:**

- Help track the status of member inquiries
- Work to engage with different financial services

# Blockchain Impacts: Credit Unions

Category	Impact		Timeline	Description
	Opportunity	Risk		
<b>Deposits</b>	Medium	High	Immediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Credit unions are currently competing against crypto players for deposits and members. 56% of consumers were likely to switch financial institutions to one with crypto services<sup>1</sup>.</li> <li>Many services are launching that enable users to lend out their crypto, often at little increased risk from holding. The average annual return can exceed 10%, diluting credit union's savings or checking rewards programs</li> <li>Near term opportunity for credit unions to offer crypto offerings as well as crypto rewards to capture new members and deposits or retain members</li> </ul>
<b>Credit Underwriting</b>	Medium	Medium	3-5 years	Removes current centralized and complicated credit system with decentralized registry of historical behaviors and payments. This adoption could allow for increased lending to people who are left out of the legacy credit system today.
<b>Digital Identity / KYC</b>	Medium	Medium	3-5 years partial adoption; 5+ years full adoption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital identity can be stored as a system of smart contracts enabling users to own their own identity. The smart contract processes the user's validating documents and can validate the user's identity to requestors without giving access to PII.</li> <li>For the credit union, this cuts down on KYC time and costs as well as reduces some level of PII exposure risk.</li> </ul>
<b>Payments / Remittances</b>	Medium	Low	1-2 years	Members can send and receive money quickly and at low cost, in contrast with current ACH and remittance processes that can take up to 5 days and cost up to 2% of total transaction

# Blockchain Impacts: Lending

Category	Impact		Timeline	Description
	Opportunity	Risk		
<b>Lending</b>	High	Medium	3-5 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared permission ledgers facilitate information across all lending parties including borrowers, lenders, credit score providers, co-signers, etc.</li> <li>• When a loan or loan pool is put on a blockchain, it is easily transferable from one party to the next with minimal to zero diligence needed.</li> <li>• Defi lending disintermediates traditional retail banking products, permitting consumers to lend their capital for returns well above those offered by traditional savings accounts.</li> </ul>
<b>Auto Lending</b>	High	Medium	3-5 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blockchain, used in conjunction in in-vehicle telematics, can track a car's history throughout its life span. This can make the vehicle finance process faster and cheaper for lenders, dealers, insurers and consumers</li> <li>• In used car sales, a purchaser can ensure proper and seamless transfer of the title</li> <li>• Blockchain could accelerate the adoption of usage-based insurance and taxes</li> <li>• Vehicle registration, vehicle service records, proof of insurance and driver information could all be stored as an NFT</li> </ul>
<b>Mortgage</b>	Medium	Medium	5+ years	<p>Frequent sale and purchase of mortgage loans and servicing rights is costly and burdensome. The use of blockchain would enable the seamless exchange of MSR while reducing friction for the end homeowner.</p>



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# Partnering with Fintechs

## Benefits

- Value of collaboration > sum of the parts
- Solve pain-points with minimal capital investment
- Flexibility to adapt with changing technology
- Members receive a differentiated experience

**89%** of credit unions and community banks believe fintech and financial institution partnerships will be common by 2027



## Considerations

- Understand integration process and timeline
- Probe into current fintech partnerships
- Consider regulatory requirements
- Evaluate financial health and management team

# Types of Partnership





# Steps to Get Started

## Examples

### 1 Prioritize

- Prioritize partnerships at the executive level, get board buy-in
- Make part of strategic or digital transformation plan; create playbook
- Dedicate resources when able

### 2 Collaborate

- Review strategies and partnerships with peer credit unions
- Use peers as references when able

### 3 Get involved

- Attend fintech conferences (Money 20/20, Finovate, Lendit, etc.)
- Attend industry conferences (NACUSO, NAFCU, GAC, League Events, etc.)
- Join CMFG Ventures' Fintech Forum

### 4 Experiment

- Start with trial / pilot programs
- Focus on “low-hanging fruit”
- Keep objectives manageable and achievable

# Evaluating Potential Partners

	Commentary
<b>Business Health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Financial health</li><li>• Major investors, board members, executive team</li><li>• Competitors</li></ul>
<b>Legal &amp; Compliance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Compliance policies</li><li>• Compliance prioritization</li><li>• Current/past legal issues</li></ul>
<b>Data Security</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Utilization of customer data</li><li>• Standards (e.g., ISO 27000) and methods (e.g., multi-factor authentication)</li></ul>
<b>References</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speak with multiple references</li><li>• Learn about history, conflict resolution, positives, negatives, plans for renewal, etc.</li></ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Company value alignment, founders' goals</li><li>• On-site visit to see operations / culture in action</li><li>• Ensure proper insurance policies are in place such as E&amp;O and others as applicable</li></ul>

[Conducting Due Diligence on Financial Technology Companies – A Guide for Community Banks](#)

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Note: These focus areas are not all inclusive. Diligence should be tailored to each potential partner

Tell us what you think...

With technologies and fintechs,  
what are the common mistakes  
that can be made?





Lack of ownership



Lack of strategy



Paralysis by analysis



Chasing the shiny object



Risk aversion



Unrealistic expectations



# 6 Common Mistakes to Avoid



The next wave of **disruptive technology** is here, providing forward-looking organizations with an opportunity to be ready for consumer demands today and in the future.

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**Disruptive Technologies**  
New advances in technology are still disrupting our industry — in many cases — for the better. The promise of innovations and enhanced consumer engagement offered by disruptive technologies can't be overstated. However, exciting opportunity for growth, the technologies also bring risks that leaders should consider for success. Successful technology adoption depends on credit union leadership anticipating several enterprise-level leadership challenges. When a credit union embraces disruptive technologies, it enjoys prime opportunities for growth either within a new industry or within an existing industry. Your credit union leadership, people leaders, and information security departments need strategies and initiatives to prepare for these technologies.

**Disruptive technologies** are innovations which change the way industries, businesses, and consumers behave. And, since new technology attributes are often built on systems or processes, it becomes “disruptive” an established process, product, or technology.

Most technology is considered sustaining rather than disruptive. Sustaining technology over time. To be considered disruptive, technology must be easily accessed by a wide range of users. Disruptive technology is usually one that enters the mainstream and changes the way we think or behave.

**Technology Trends to Monitor**

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- Robot Automation

**RISK Alert**  
ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS FOR BOND POLICYHOLDERS.

Alert Type: Awareness

**Examining Vendor Management Risks**

Credit unions work with numerous vendors and third-party providers to deliver products and services to their members. In fact, these third-parties often play an important role as you strive to become more competitive. But partnering with these vendors doesn't come without risk. Managing risks associated with these relationships is a critical aspect to maintaining a successful operation.

**Recording / Slides Available:** Listen to this Vendor Due Diligence webinar as our Risk Management Consultants discuss steps and potential misuses that occur when forming new third-party relationships or maintaining existing ones.

**Details**  
Vendors play a key role in your organizational success. However, relying on vendors can also introduce added risk, and managing these relationships is important. A best practice is to rank and evaluate vendors according to their criticality. “This determination should not just be made based on the amount of exposure a vendor provides,” suggests Jim Bullard, CUNA Mutual Group Senior Risk Consultant. “In other words, what would the impact be on the credit union and its members if this vendor disappeared tomorrow?”

When outsourcing services, the criticality of the service should be classified as:

- **Non-Essential** - No access to member PII and no access to the credit union's organization's facilities or information)
- **Significant** - Possible / minimal access to member PII and/or credit union's internal network, which is important for operations, but only has intermittent access to some private information)
- **Critical** - a third party that has direct access to member PII and/or access to the credit union's network (e.g., a core provider or host, who is both responsible for private / customer information, and is vital to your organization's operations).

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- Executive Management
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- Legal Compliance
- Risk Manager

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**Risk Category:** Vendor Management, Due Diligence, Compliance, Internal Controls / Governance

**Alert Type:** Awareness, Watch, Warning

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