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# **Open Forum on Digital Transformation**

What a difference a year makes... or not! Welcome to the changing landscape for data, payments and working capital in 2024

12 March 2024 Digital meeting

Closed user group

#### **Agenda (1/3)**

What a difference a year makes... or not! Welcome to the changing landscape for data, payments and working capital in 2024

Welcome and opening remarks **Thomas Egner**, Euro Banking Association

Setting the scene and housekeeping **Kate Pohl**, Projective Group

Setting the scene for 2024; How is the economy influencing payments and banking? **Carsten Brzeski**, ING

Is real-time treasury becoming a reality or is it wishful thinking? And are instant payments the corner stone?

Patrick Kunz, Pecunia Treasury & Finance B.V.

Dr. Patrik Pohl, Deutsche Bank AG

Didier Vandenhaute, PwC Belgium

Coffee Break



#### **Agenda (2/3)**

What a difference a year makes... or not! Welcome to the changing landscape for data, payments and working capital in 2024

Account-to-account bank transfers + instant payments... will this be the new normal? What about other payment methods? Silvio Berecic, Müller Group Renata Vilanova Lobo, JP Morgan Erik van der Mars, Mastercard Hubertos von Poser, PPI AG

Breaking down silos for greater data efficiency through cloud + (generative) Al... What's next? **Thomas Haida**, Microsoft

#### Lunch Break

Consolidated data put to (good!) use for control as well as forecasting and planning; what is the state of the market?

Markus Nowak, Vetter Pharma

Dierk Rathjen, Technosis AG



#### **Agenda (3/3)**

What a difference a year makes... or not! Welcome to the changing landscape for data, payments and working capital in 2024

Optimising working capital – a key requirement for 2024 = doing (a lot) more with what you already have!

Olu Adebiyi, BNY Mellon

Peter Cook, Taulia

Opeyemi Olomo, Citigroup

Florian Reis, CRX Markets

Frank Wächter, Puma

Wrap-up



# **Thomas Egner**

**Secretary General Euro Banking Association** 



# **Kate Pohl**

**Executive Advisor Projective Group** 



# **Carsten Brzeski**

Global Head of Macro Research and Chief Eurozone Economist, ING Chief Economist, ING Germany





Carsten Brzeski, Global Head of Macro

March 2024



#### What we and other economists are looking at in 2024

#### Geopolitics

(elections, War in Ukraine and the middle east, change in trade patterns)

Markets

(Bond & equity

markets,

Megatrends)

#### **Economy**

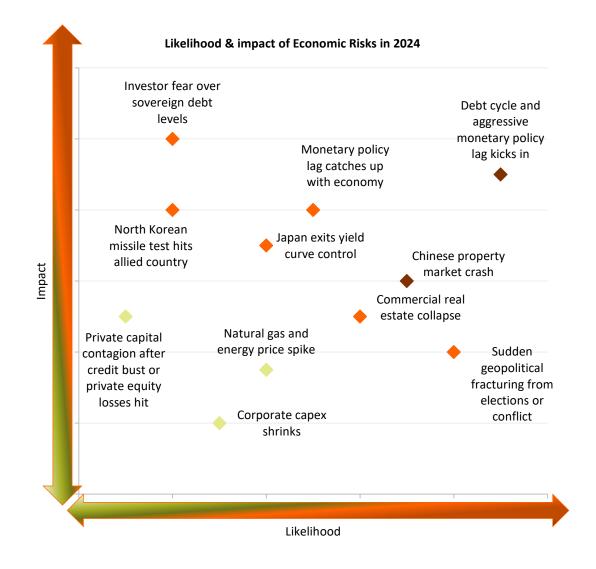
(Recession risk in the US, Inflation, Monetary policy, Growth outlook)

#### Technology

(Robotization, possible risks or chances stemming from Al)

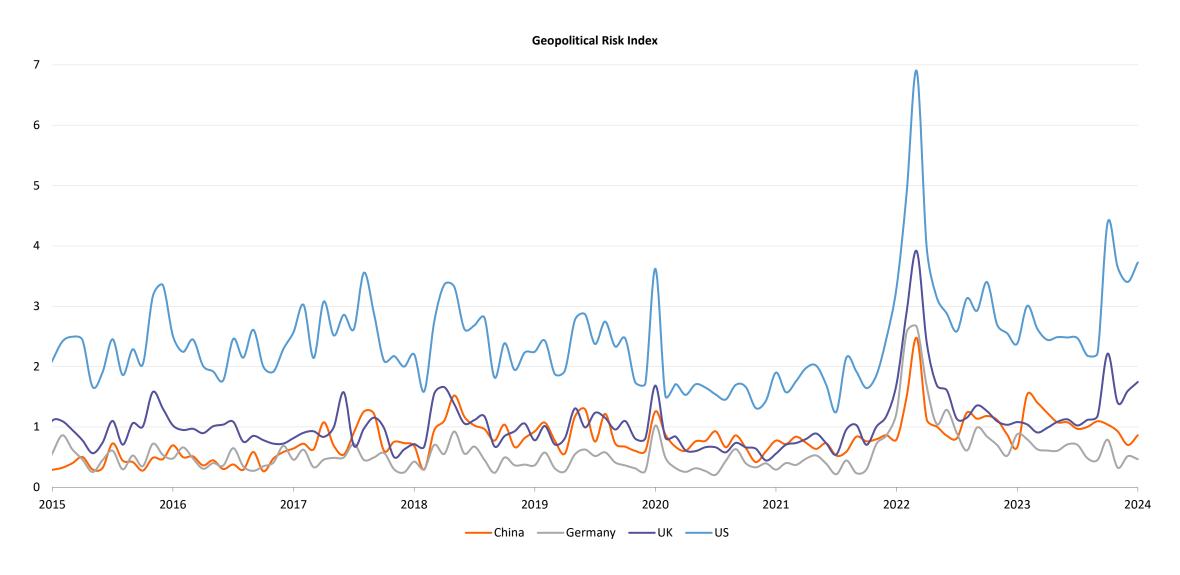
#### **Everything else**

Weather and weather events, Shipping)



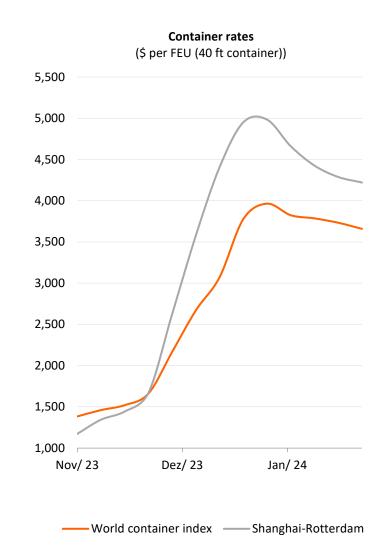
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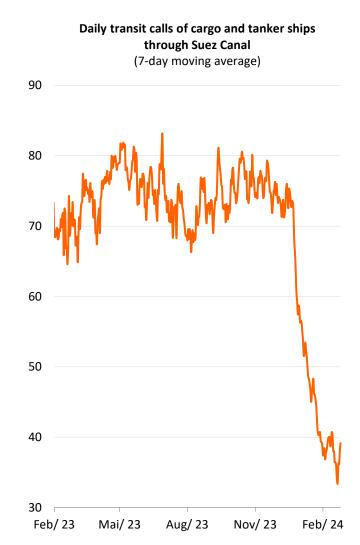
# **Geopolitical risks are still elevated...**



#### ...and supply chain disruptions seem to return



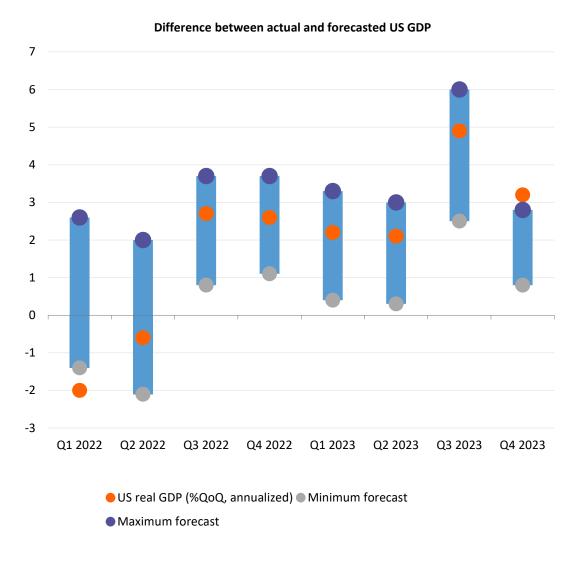


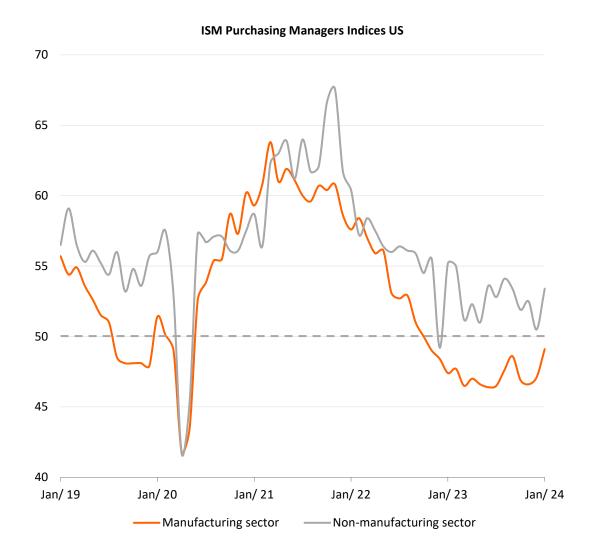


Source: LSEG Datastream; Drewry; IMF

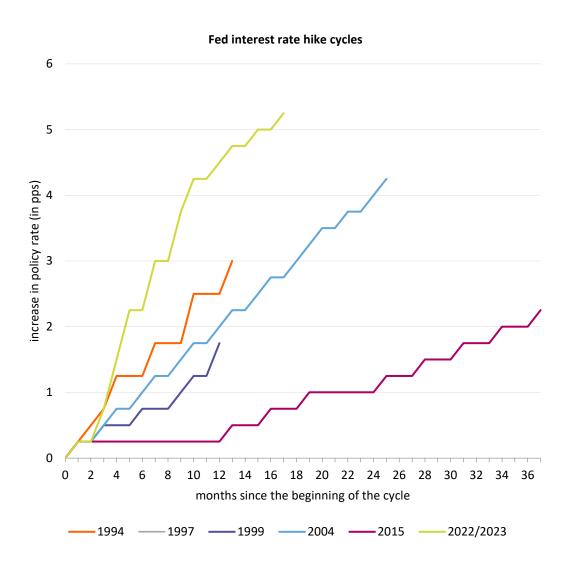


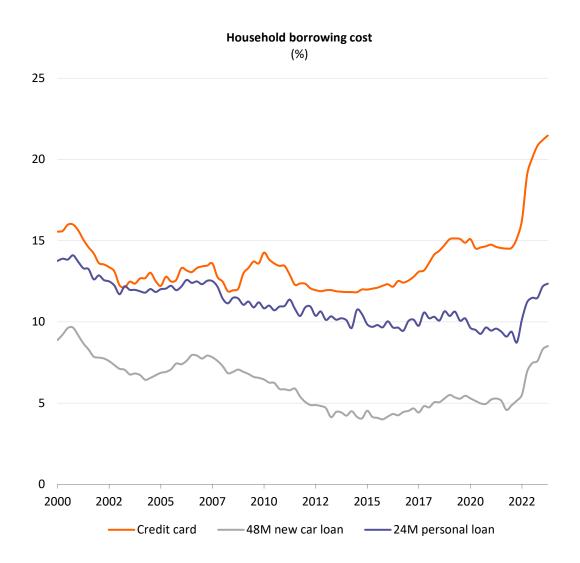
# The US economy has proven more resilient than expected...



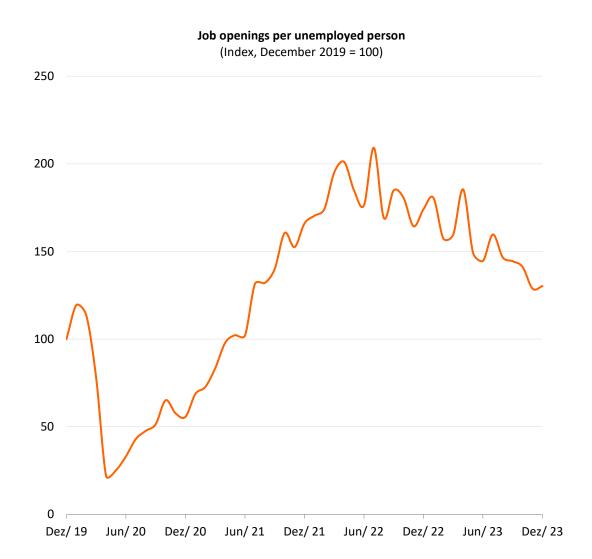


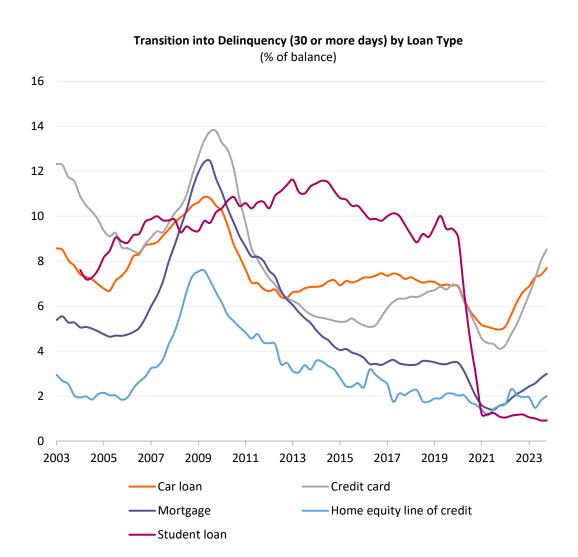
# ...but monetary tightening will eventually take its toll





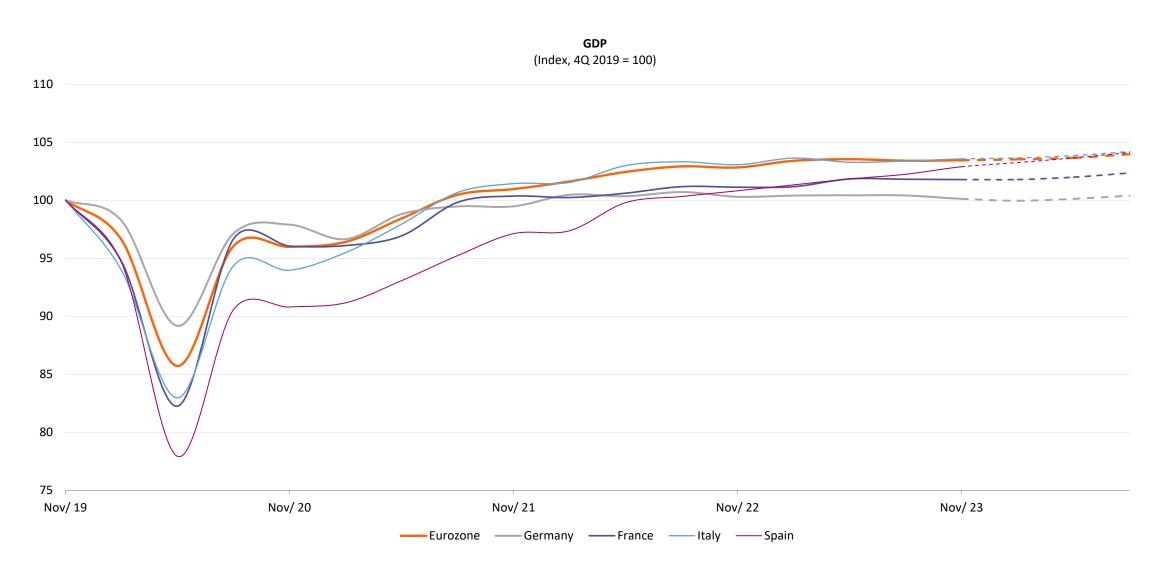
# Which is why growth fears still linger



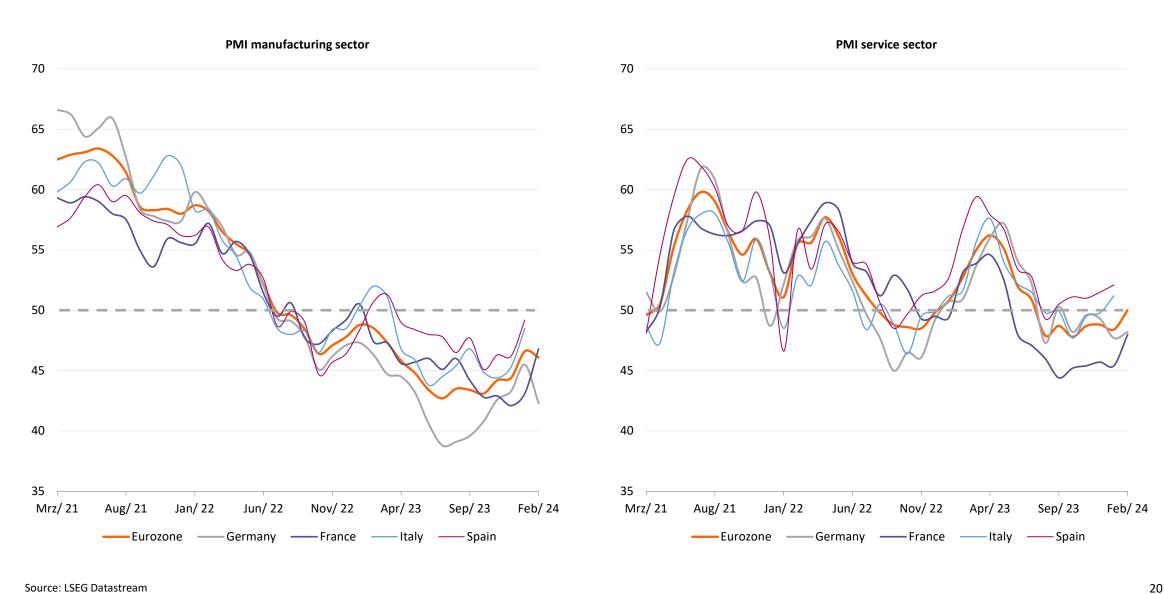




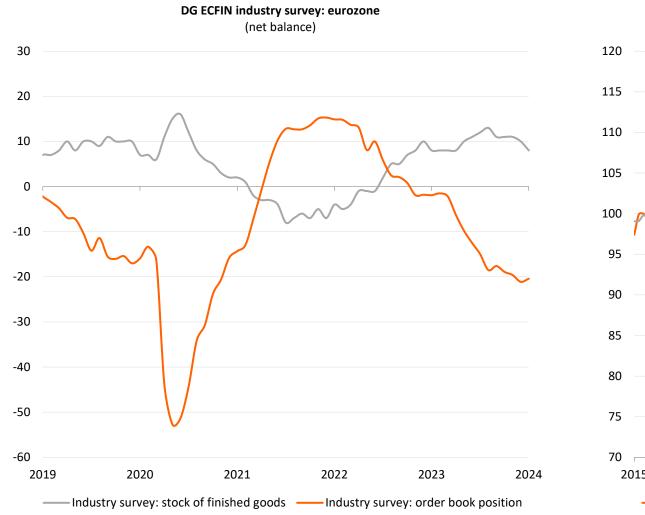
# The eurozone economy is caught in stagnation...

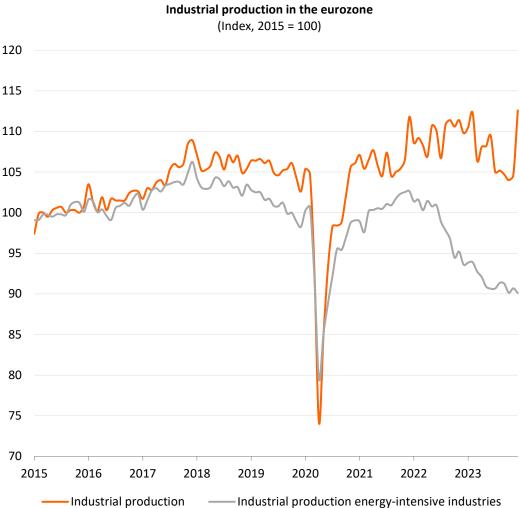


#### ...with some countries performing worse than others

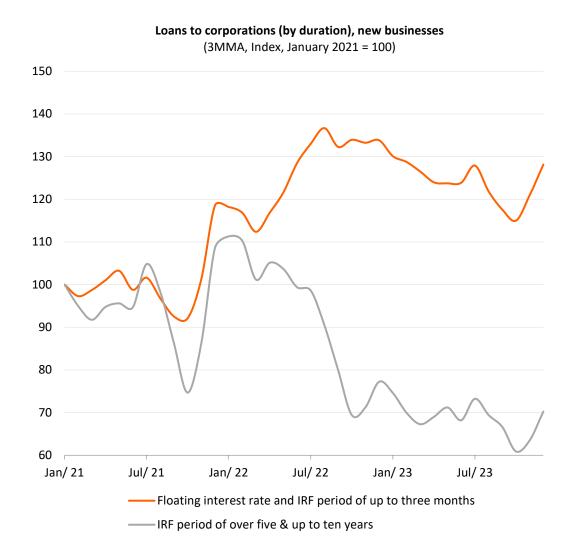


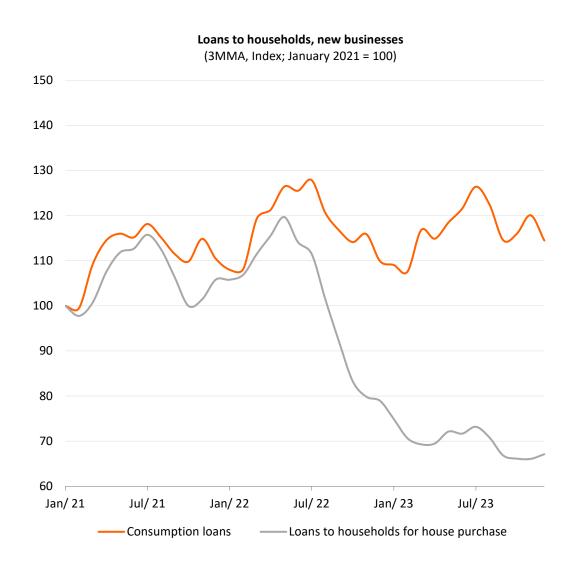
# New year, old problems





#### The delayed impact from ECB rate hikes still unfolding



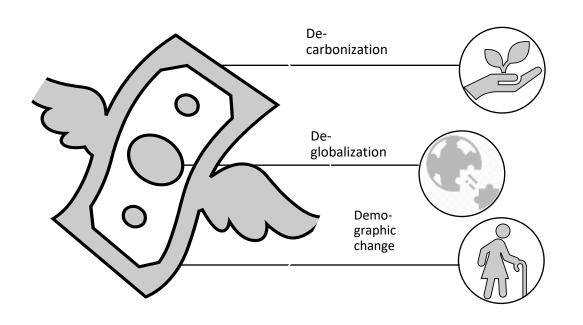


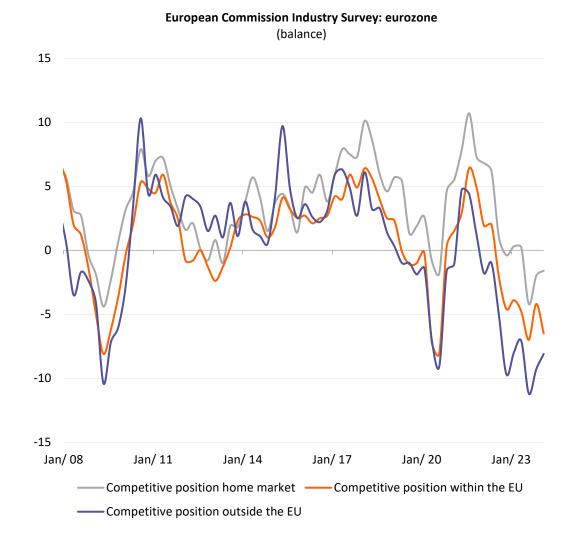
#### Not only companies, but also consumers are affected by uncertainty

#### Consumer survey & retail sales eurozone



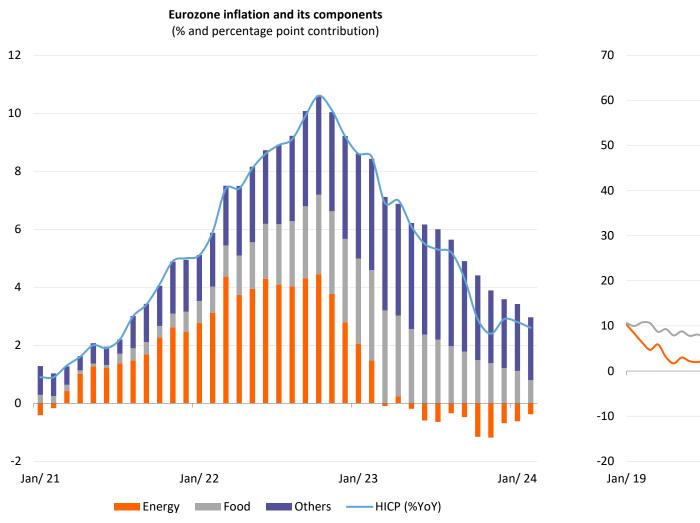
#### Structural challenges will continue weighing on economic outlook

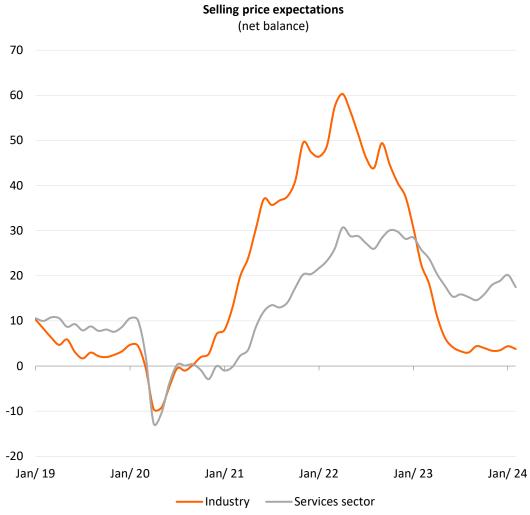




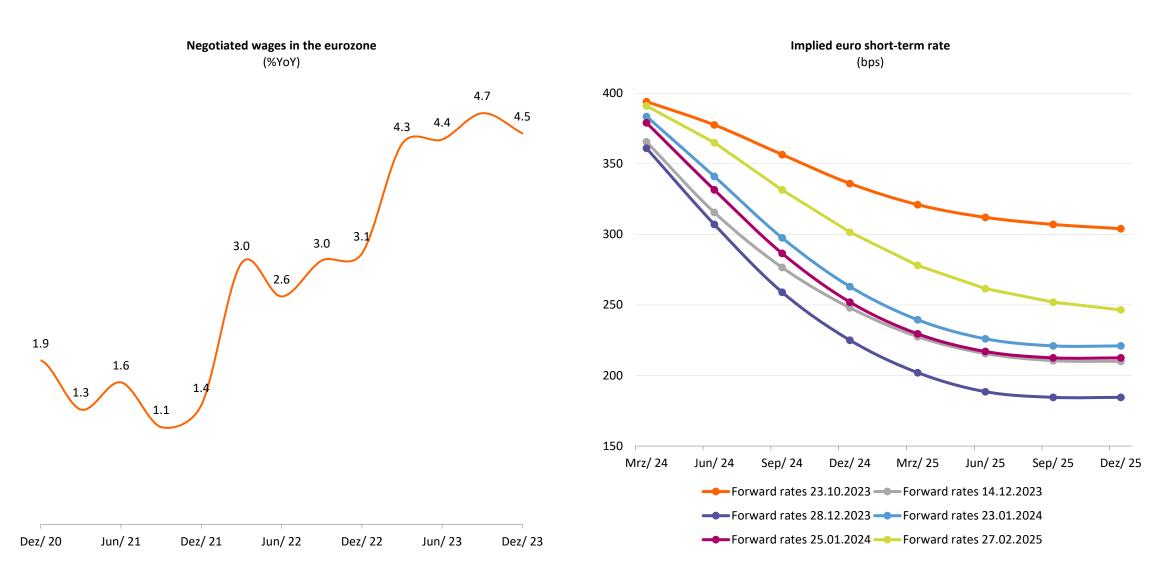


#### The last mile will be the hardest...



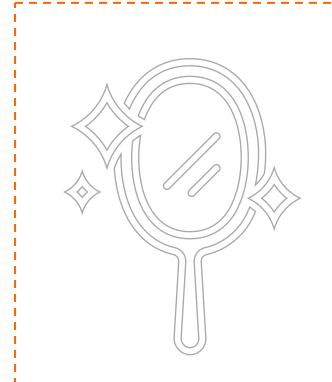


#### ...and the ECB will be cautious in determining timing and size of rate cuts

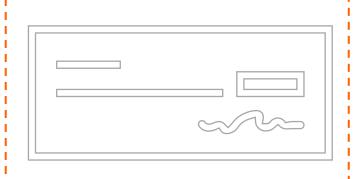


Source: ECB Statistical Data Warehouse; LSEG Datastream

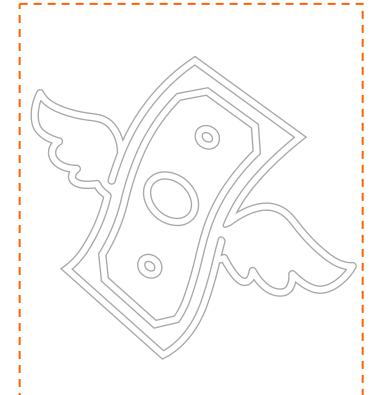
### The trinity behind lowering interest rates



Long-term inflation forecasts (which currently have inflation back at 2.0% from the third quarter of 2025 onwards) need to remain unchanged



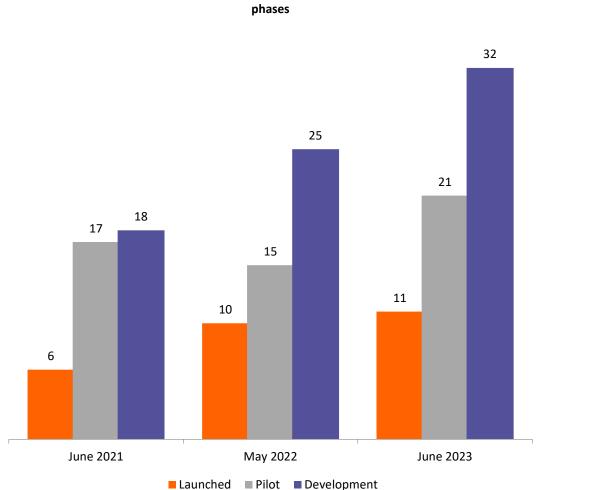
Nominal wage growth needs to come down to around 4%



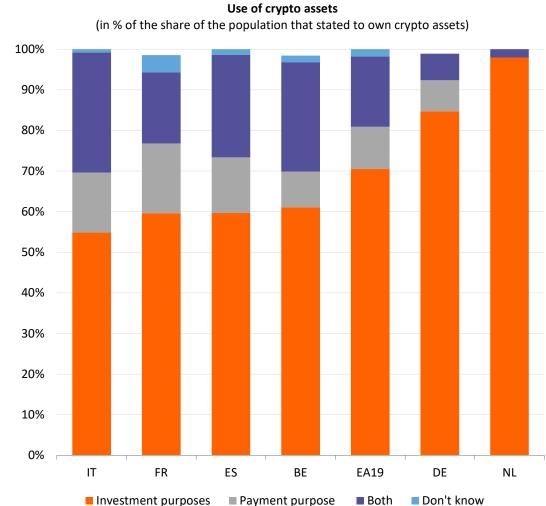
Actual inflation should be at least at around 2.5% for a few months, as the ECB would fear harming its credibility when cutting rates with an actual inflation rate of around 3%



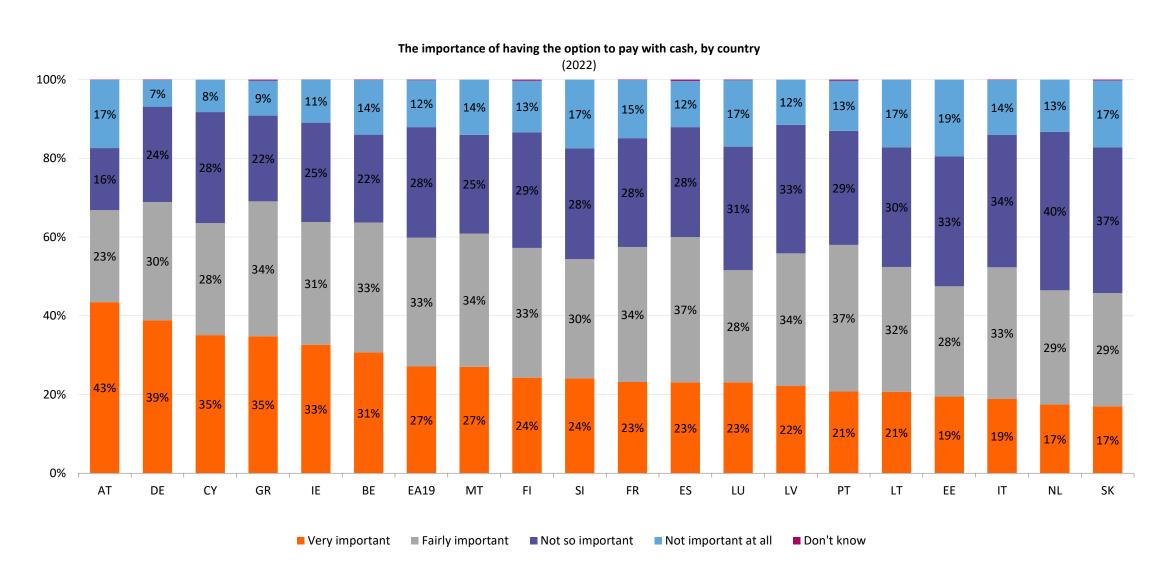
#### Banking on the future...



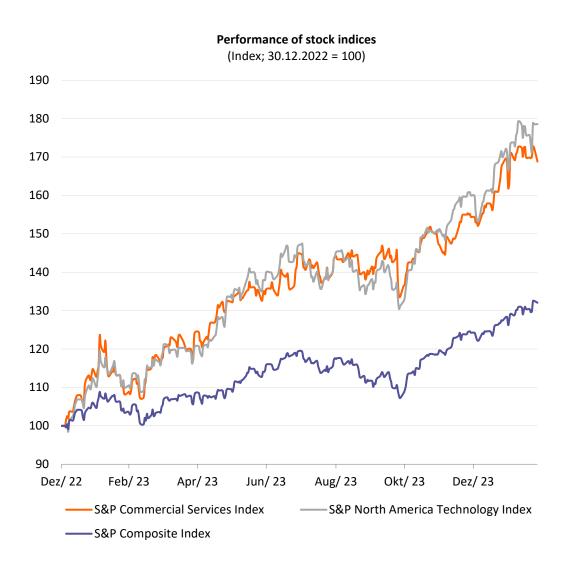
Number of countries/currency unions with CBDC in advanced exploration

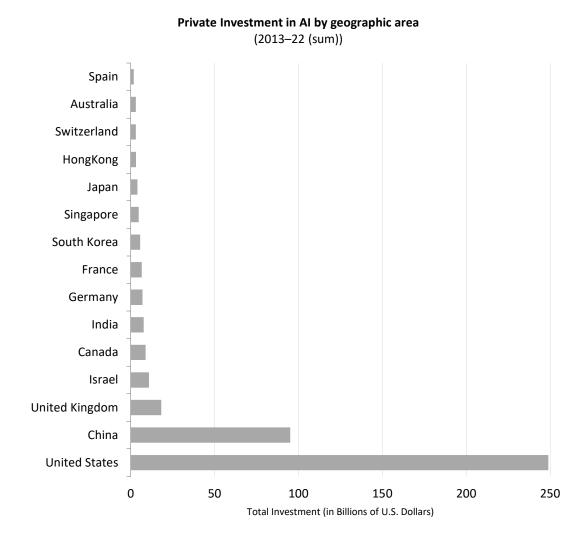


#### ...but it shouldn't become too digital after all

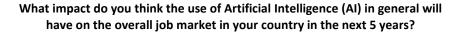


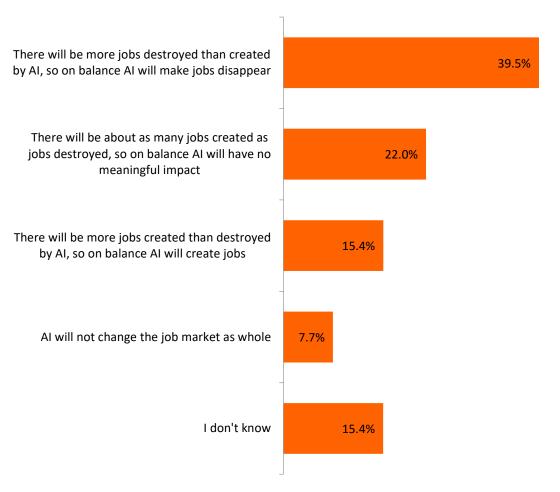
#### Al creates a "gold rush" feeling



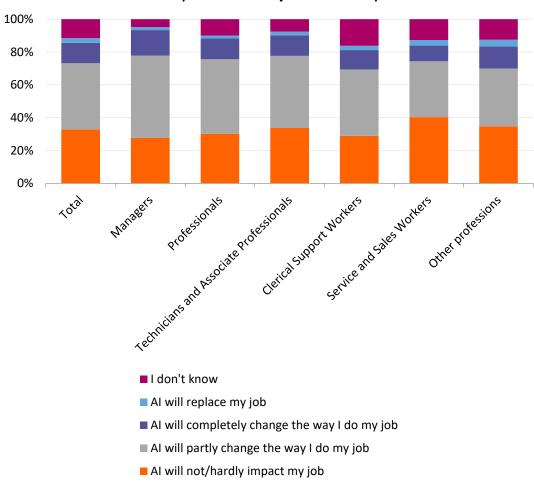


#### ...but not for everyone





#### What impact do you think the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in generel will have on your own current job in the next 5 years?



Source: ING Consumer Research 33



do your thing

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Treasury Consulting Partner for Banking and Cash Management PwC



# 1. Survey demographics

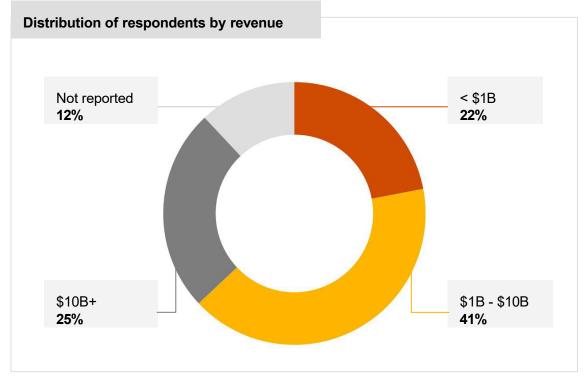
**375** companies

**33** countries

24 industries

13.6B \$ average revenue3.9B \$ median revenues

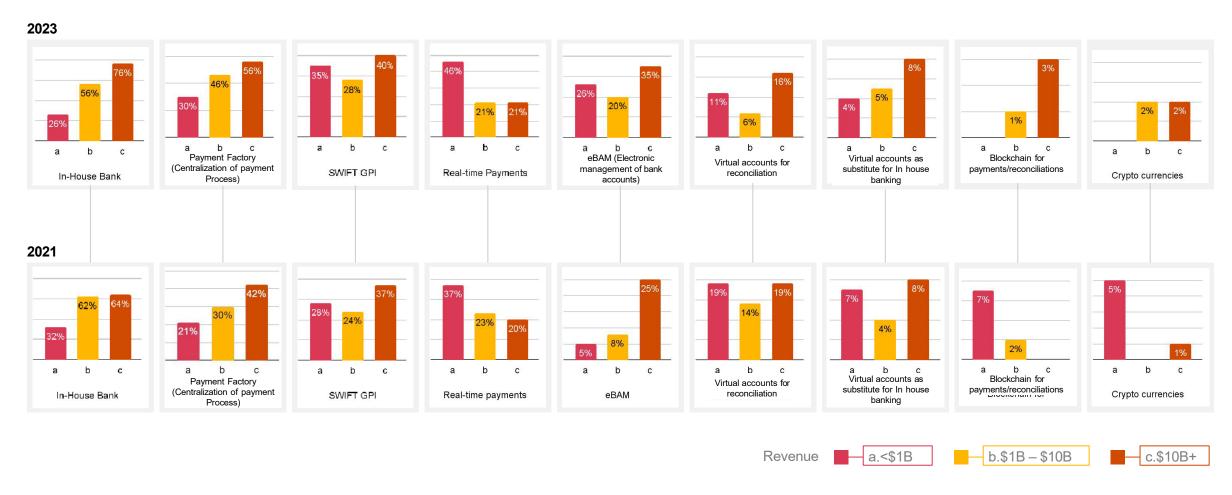






# 2. Cash & Liquidity management solutions

Initiatives for banking and cash management operations
Per revenue & per year





# **Panel Discussion**





# **Coffee Break** 10:50 – 11:05 CET

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# **Panel Discussion**



# **Fireside Chat**





# Lunch Break 12:45 – 14:00 CET

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Kindly reconnect on time for the afternoon sessions

**Markus Nowak** 

**Lead Manager Treasury Vetter Pharma** 

**Dierk Rathjen** 

**Vorstand Technosis AG** 









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## Who are we?

Markus Nowak	Dierk Rathjen
Since 2016:	Since 2007:
Lead Manager Treasury, Vetter (Ravensburg)	COO Technosis AG
2012-2016:	2002-2006:
Treasury Manager, Bilfinger SE (Mannheim)	Treasurer Olympus Europa GmbH
2011-2012:	2000-2001:
Treasury Manager, KRUSE Group (Balve)	Assistant Treasurer vaw aluminium AG
2009-2010:	1996-2000:
Intern Treasury, Springer Nature (Berlin)	Trader at Landesbank Schleswig-Holstein
Economist, Ruhr-University (Bochum)	www.technosis.de







## What are our companies doing?

#### Technosis AG

- Founded in 1992
- > TMS Software provider
- Family-owned
- Based in Hamburg

#### Vetter

- Founded in 1950
- Service provider for the Pharmaceutical industry
- > 6,300 Employees
- Family-owned
- Based in Ravensburg



## What are (among others) the Treasurer's tasks?

#### Financial Risk Management

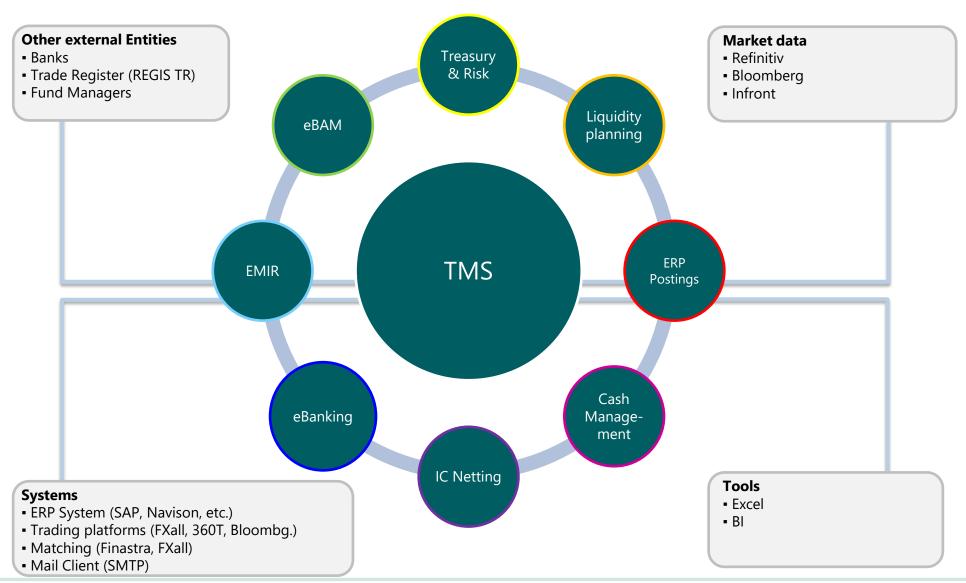
- Liquidity
- Currency
- Interest
- Commodity
- Asset

#### Stakeholder Management

- > CFO
- Subsidiaries
- Banks
- > Insurance Companies
- IT Management
  - > ERP
  - > TMS



## What should a TMS cover?





#### How is a TMS used?

#### Processes

- > Center of process chains
- Automation

#### Flexibility

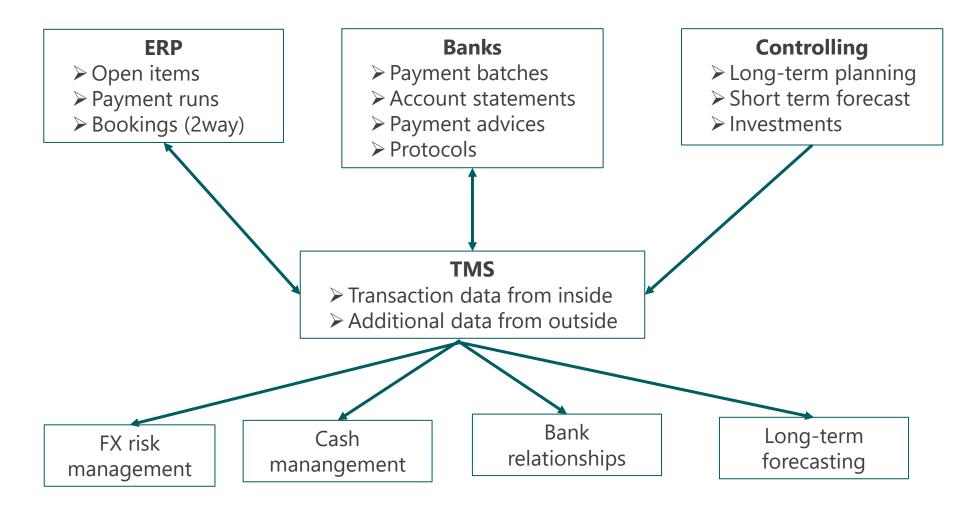
- Reporting
- Transparency

#### Data

- Collection
- Consolidation / Analysis
- Usage



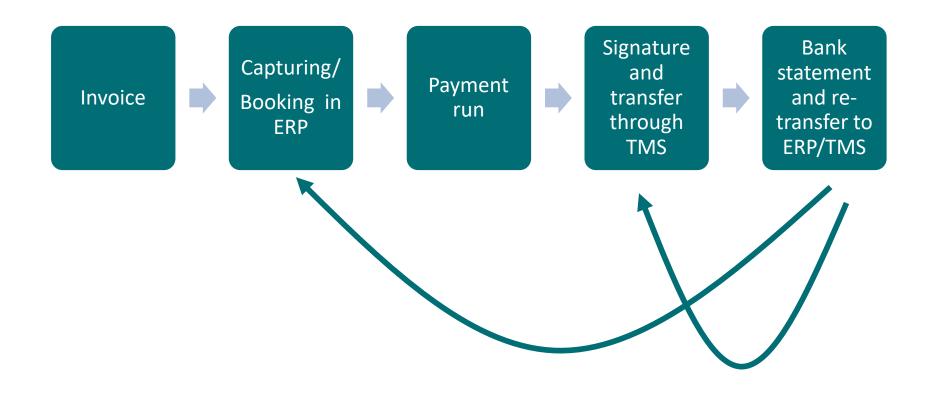
## What data is processed and what is it used for?





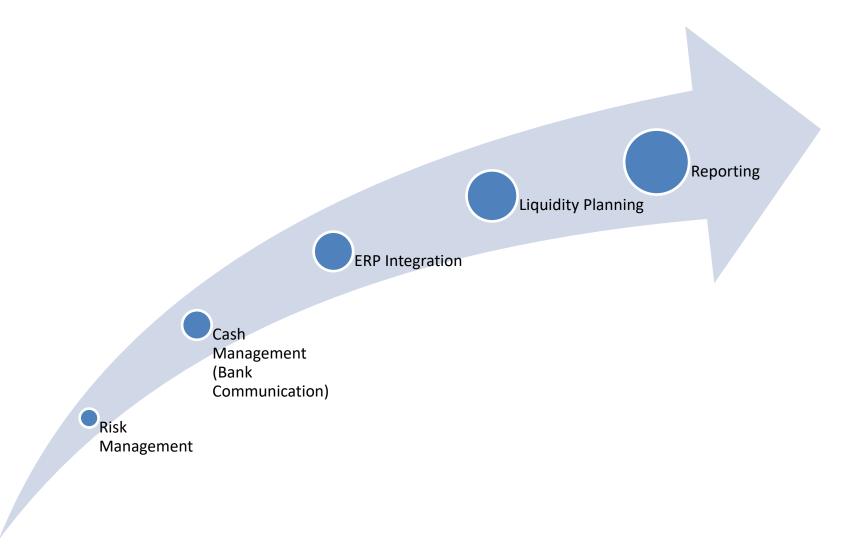
## **Processes in Treasury**

**Example: Payment** 



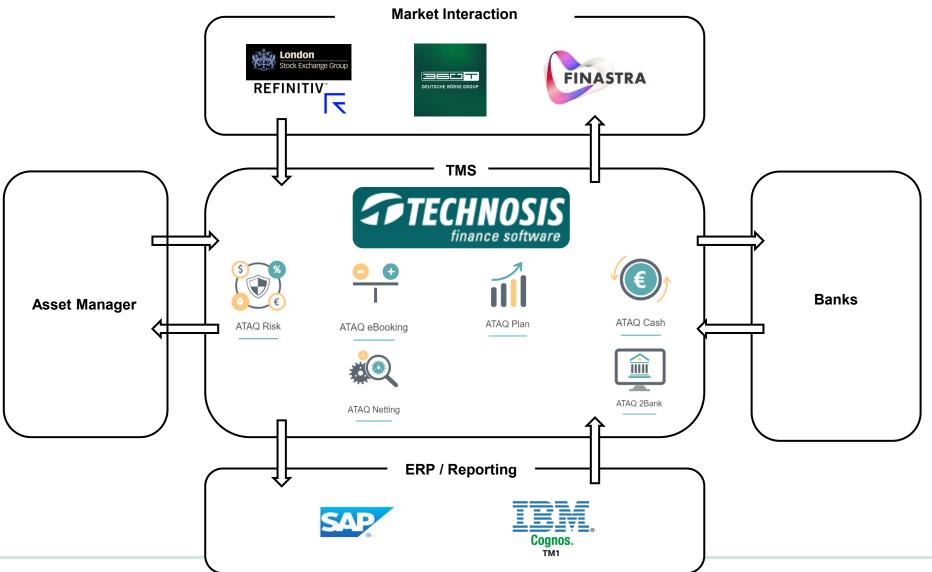


### What did Vetter do?





# Vetter's System Landscape





## Call to action – what do corporates need from banks?

#### Technical side

- Stick to standards
- Use and optimize existing communication channels like EBICS, SWIFT
- Customers want one/few technical solution for various banks

#### Other factors

- Product price is just one aspect
- Optimizing a process often more important than lighting speed
- Already long-time usage and analysis
- Understanding of being part of a process chain

# **Panel Discussion**



# Wrap-up





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