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WHAT'S NEXT IN PAYMENTS AND COMMERCE



39 GLOBAL LEADERS IN PAYMENTS AND COMMERCE

share how they expect things to play out in the payments and commerce industry in 2018.

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ecurity is the foundation for any payments vehicle. Today, there has been continued growth in mobile payments, online banking and eCommerce, and I believe frictionless security that guarantees proper identity verification and transaction validation will be the key to driving such growth.

Throughout the world, governments and central banks are pushing for cash replacement, financial inclusion, transparency and fraud prevention through mobile payments. Consumers want to move to mobile banking and to take further advantage of online purchasing, but they need to feel confident at the checkout window. Security must be user-friendly, instantaneous and bulletproof to win adoption, and institutions want solutions that can be universally deployed, regardless of the mobile phone that is in the hands of the consumer.

A constantly growing list of data breaches and fraud demonstrates that the internet and the operating system are inherently flawed. Hackers routinely exploit issues to compromise consumers. Independent research reports, such as the 2017 State of Authentication from Javelin Research. sponsored by the Fast Identity Online (FIDO) Alliance, have documented the vulnerabilities of internet-based authentication solutions. illustrating the problems with solutions that have a single point of failure. Onetime PINs and passwords are outdated, with wrongdoers routinely compromising them to commit fraud. Biometrics can also be compromised, and once a fingerprint is in the wrong hands, it cannot be relied on again. Problems with accuracy and the compromising of facial and voice recognition have also been well-documented.

It is not enough for a security solution to be multi-factor. Security should also be multichannel.

Instantaneous, user-friendly and bulletproof security gives consumers the confidence to bank and shop online, reducing the need for physical locations. We believe banks will implement the security necessary to make online banking more prevalent, allowing them

to continue to reduce the number and size of branches. Major retailers will continue to focus more and more on their online offerings, with less dependence on physical locations. Consumers want the convenience of using their mobile phones for transactions, but they need to feel secure. The movement to online banking and shopping will continue to grow as consumers feel more and more comfortable with implementation of security.

Looking forward to the elimination of card-not-present (CNP) fraud, this will give consumers confidence at the online checkout window that they won't become another victim of a fraudster who has their credit card number. Even if a fraudster has a consumer's credit card number and other personal information, the fraudster will not be able to complete a transaction unless he/she also has the consumer's physical phone and knows its memorized PIN. This process protects victims of data breaches, such as the one at Equifax.

We also see greater demand for tokenized, contactless payments through near field communication (NFC), radio frequency identification (RFID) and QR codes. This opens the door to increased adoption of contactless payments worldwide in

connection with retail, mass transit, tolls and other transactions. Boloro also sees a trend toward interoperable national payment switches and mobile wallets that provide a centralized approach to facilitating a secure ecosystem for payments.

Financial inclusion can be achieved through mobile payments and electronic records.

When cash payments that are not tracked are replaced by mobile payments with complete settlement reports, there is a transaction

record that can prove creditworthiness, allowing users to get access to capital and other traditional banking elements they need to succeed. Everyone wants the convenience of controlling their world from their phones, and proper security is essential. The best authentication and contactless payment processes combine security and ease of use, driving adoption through comfort and convenience. Let's make the world safe for mobile commerce.



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