

Rethinking the Treasury: How to anticipate an evolving market?

Presentation





Let us talk about the evolution of Treasury & ALM







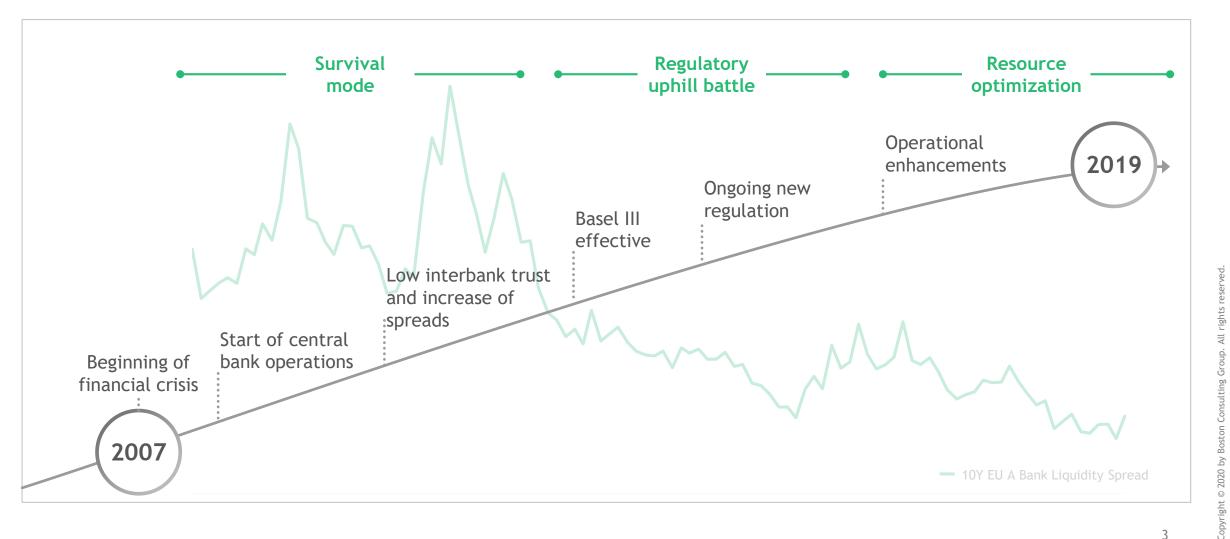
Moving towards a digital world

How has Treasury & ALM transformed over the past decade?

What do you think?



Time lapse of the banking environment







BCG View: Treasury Operating Model transformations along four stages over the last 10-12 years









Stage 1

- Treasury activities part of Capital Markets
- Lack of a robust framework for funding and liquidity risk
- Investment portfolio focus on return
- Limited involvement of Board of Directors in Treasury issues
- FTP focus on interest rate risk
- Steering primarily focused on present value rather than economic value

Stage 2

- Treasury transitions to Finance
- Significant increase in liquidity buffers and cash held at central banks
- Adequate risk measurement, quantification and reporting
- Mostly compliant with heightened regulatory expectations of liquidity risk
- FTP includes liquidity & funding
- No/limited transparency on P&L implications from interest rate risk and liquidity & funding
- GAAP view starts to come into focus

Stage 3

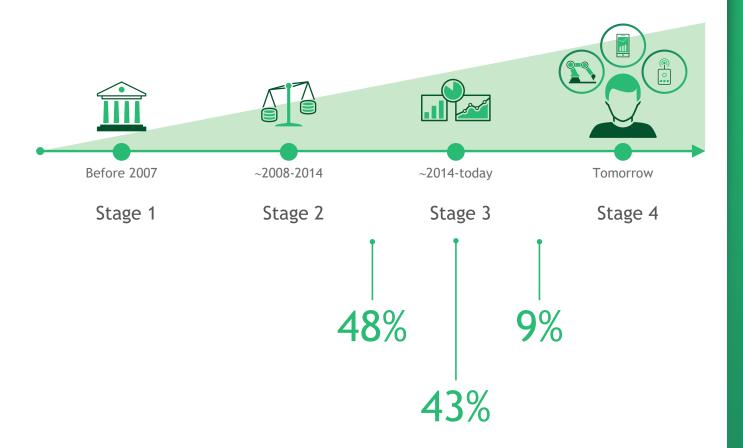
- 3 lines-of-defense construct
- Treasury steering of interest rate, liquidity and funding from overnight to extended maturities
- Integrated steering of all key financial and risk ratios, and optimization of balance sheet
- Full transparency on P&L implications from interest rate risk and liquidity & funding
- Improved collateral optimization
- Dual steering view (accounting and economic value)
- Flexible reporting based on robust data quality & control

Stage 4

- Real time data availability and usage
- Machine learning/AI broadly applied for risk quantification/modelling
- Largely automated processes with a minimum of human intervention
- Ad-hoc 'on the fly' simulation capabilities for (stress) scenarios
- · Decision making supported by Al
- Fintech partnerships enrich capabilities
- 24/7/365 operability for Treasury

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Treasury & ALM transformation is still ongoing



Let us have a closer look at how to build a future-proof target operating model for Treasury & ALM

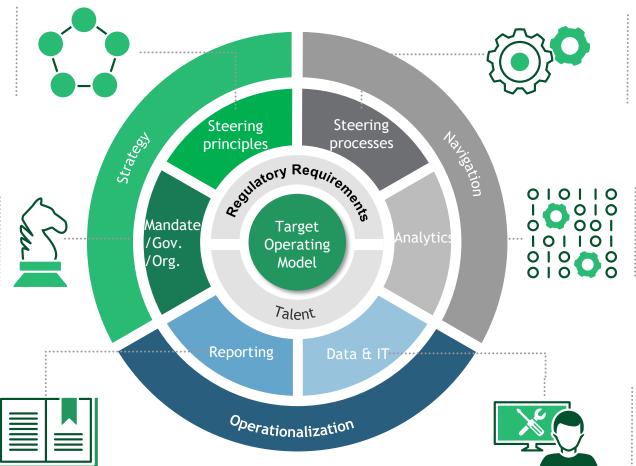


Robust and effective TOM needs to address fundamental questions of Treasury & ALM functions

- How should our ALM/risk strategies/policies look like?
- What is our optimal B/S, funding and capital structure?

- What is the role and mandate of a Treasury/ALM function?
- How is the delineation with Risk, Finance and CM units?

 How to develop a futureproof ALM-reporting system incl. scenario/sensitivity analyses?



- How should our planning and hedge acc. process look like?
- How should our capital mgmt. process look like (incl. allocation)?
- How to develop behavioral/ non-linear models?
- What is the correct FTP-system and how can we measure and report it?

 How to develop "best-inclass" IT/reporting-tools based on the existing ITinfrastructure? Copyright © 2020 by Boston Consulting Group

BCG view on current better practice across target operating model dimensions

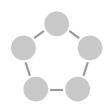
Deep dive



Mandate, governance, and organization



CFO: Treasury set-up under CFO/ALCo governance; ALCo chaired by CFO **Organization:** Separate execution and steering functions within treasury Mandate: Treasury mandated to safeguard the bank but also for NII contribution Central vs. local setup: Central steering and local execution Profit center: Treasury P&L measured internally - then allocated back to BU



Steering principles



Risk split: Split banking book position between risk types within treasury Desk structure: Manage liquidity and IR risk in competence centers from O/N to ∞ Natural Hedging: Maximize benefit from natural hedging - "net first, then hedge" **Positioning:** Build Strategic positioning around natural flow of the banking book

Risk transfer: Fully transfer banking book liquidity and interest rate risk to treasury



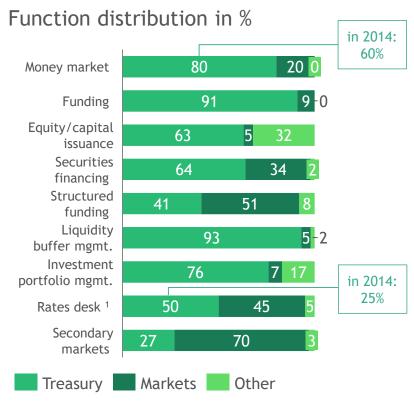
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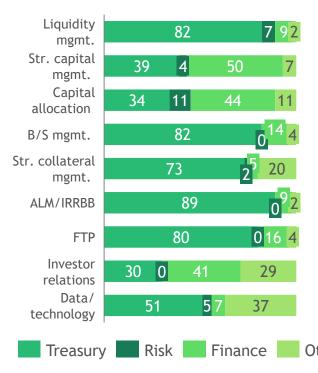
Still several operating models regarding distribution of tasks between treasury, markets and risk in the market

Distribution of execution functions



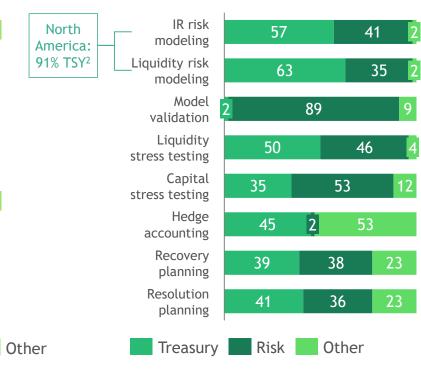
Distribution of steering functions

Function distribution in %



Distribution of tasks

Task distribution in %



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Three core tasks of financial resource management ...







Risk Management

Interest rate risk & liquidity management

FX risk management

Manage credit risk of Treasury portfolios

Collateral management

Credit portfolio management

Steering

Strategic planning of financial resources

Funds transfer pricing

Guidance for refinancing

Steering of model books (equity, deposits, options)

Service Center

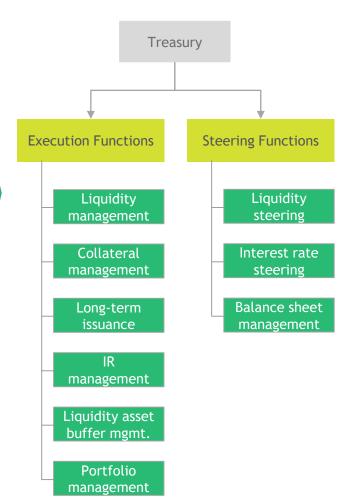
Investor relations & refinancing

Enhancement of Treasury systems & projects

Implementation of regulation

Business Management

... typically in Treasury



Transformation over the past decade

Typical mandate: Treasury is the key financial resources manager

Priority



Treasury ambition

Steering of group-wide liquidity, funding and structural banking book risks



Strategic

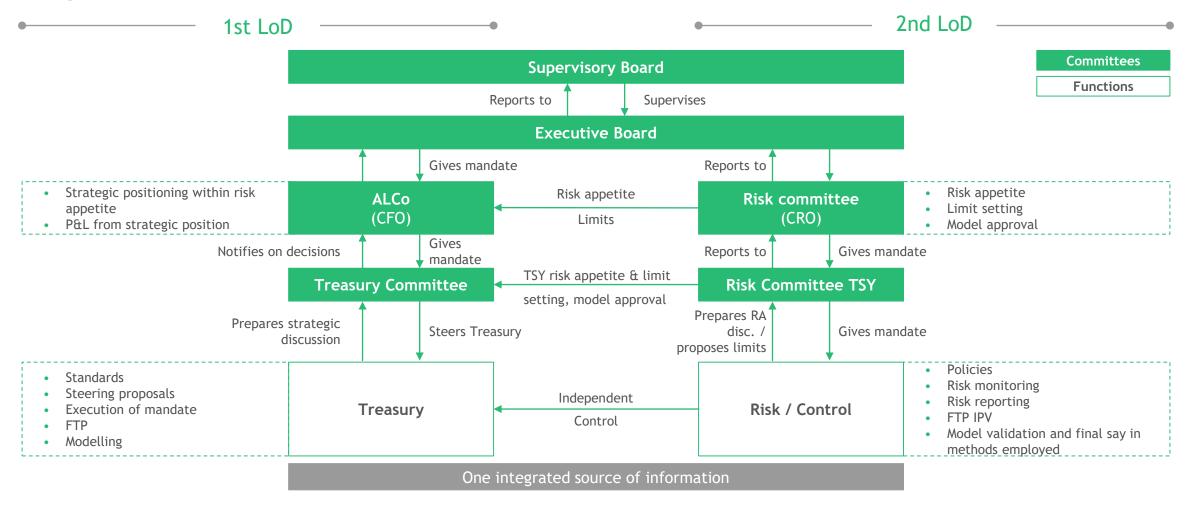
Realization of economic value from strategic positioning—within clear ALCo mandate



Use of free resources for additional economic value contribution¹

Hierarchy ensures potential conflicts of interest managed appropriately

Typical governance framework: Operational model with separation of 1st and 2nd LoD





ALCo as central committee for balance sheet, liquidity, capital, interest and FX steering



steering



Focus on "BB positioning"

2. Definition of strategic IR position of banking book

Fully fledged resource management

4. Policies for market risk positioning of banking book

Basic areas of responsibility			Additional areas of responsibility			
	Balance sheet/asset liability management		Monitoring of B/S topics when related to liquidity/funding or IR position	1		Standards/policies for BSM/ALM Definition of target balance sheet structure and target balance sheet ratios, e.g., loan-to-deposit ratio, leverage ratio, NSFR
	Liquidity steering	2.	Refinancing strategy and funding plan/monitoring Strategic position for liquidity maturity transformation Product steering/pricing (FTP)	Liquidity steering	5. 6.	Risk appetite suggestion as input for RiCo Liquidity buffer optimization Liquidity contingency plan Discussion of behavioral models, e.g., deposits, prepayments
	Capital steering		Detailing of target capital structure and initiation of capital transactions (e.g., issuance) Investment strategy for the bank's equity model book	Capital steering	4.	Target capital ratios and capital structure Capital allocation Monitoring of capital requirements
	Interest and FX	1.	Investment strategy and risk profile for bank's investments	Interest and FX	3.	Risk appetite suggestion as input for RiCo

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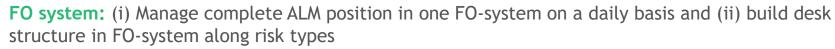




Governance: Behavioral modeling & FTP performed in Treasury - Risk responsible for setting global standards/policies and validating models and FTP curve(s)

Scenario analyses & simulation capabilities: Link modeling practices closely with NII / balance sheet stress and simulation under different scenarios

Prototyping: Support adequate modelling with front office prototyping activities in an agile working style







ALM system: Ensure comprehensive position in Front-to-Back-to-Risk-Finance/ Control systems e.g., ensure golden / same database / reconciliation of data

Simulation capabilities: Ability to run simulations on balance sheet, P&L and regulatory ratios on same database/within same tool, T+1

Data: Invest in (i) data capturing (recognition capabilities), (ii) data storage (cloud), (iii) data analysis (big data, AI) and (iv) data management



Reporting



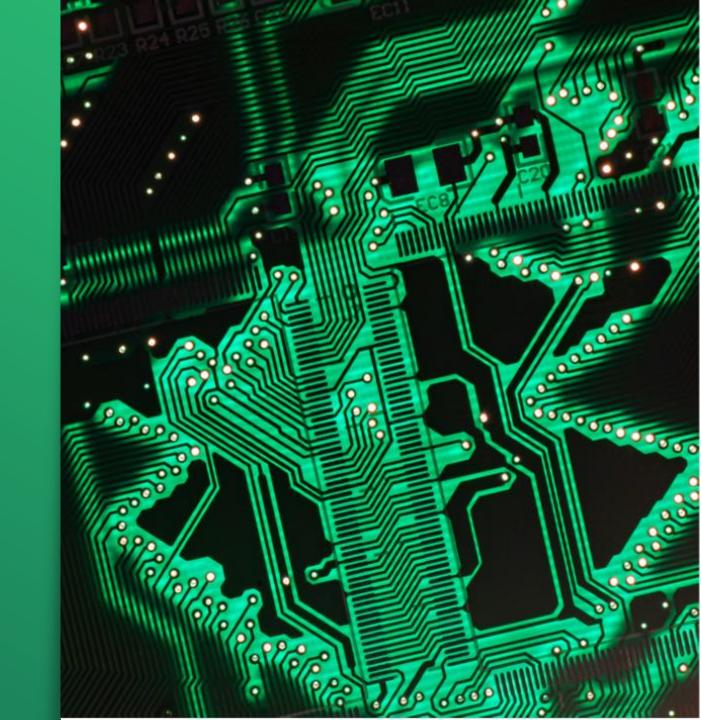
Consistency: Base reporting on all levels on KPIs/KRIs in tree structure

Timely: Base reporting frequency/monitoring on possible volatility of KPI/KRI, e.g. daily interest rate risk monitoring/reporting for the banking book

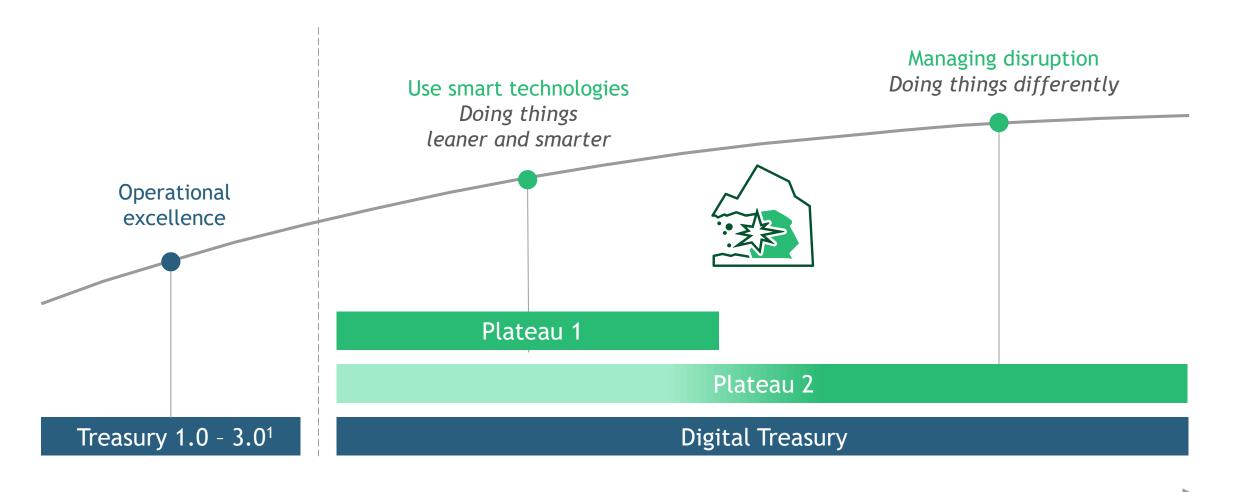
Granularity: Link economic view with NII/external P&L view within steering processes/decision making under different scenarios

Processes: Ensure sufficient level of control, auditability and repeatability of reporting processes 15

Let us now talk about Treasury & ALMs future in a digital world



BCG view: transition to Digital Treasury in two steps





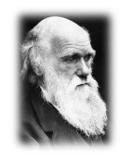
Henry Ford

If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses



Mark Twain

The man with a new idea is a crank — until the idea succeeds



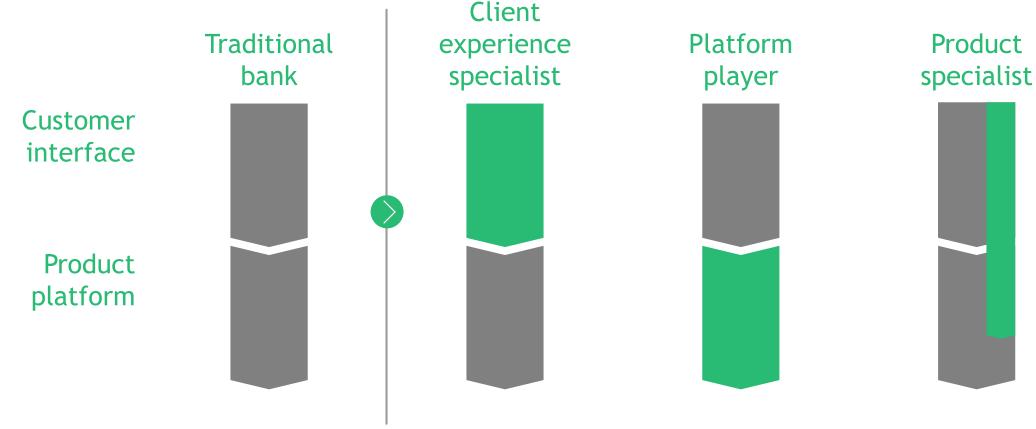
Charles Darwin

Without speculation there is no good and original observation

Hypothesis 1: all banking core functions are predestined to be digitized



Hypothesis 2: the functional essence of banking will not change, but the way future players operate will change



Hypothesis 3: The bank of the future will operate like a tech company

When will this change occur?

We always overestimate the change that will occur in the next two years and underestimate the change that will occur in the next ten. Don't let yourself be lulled into inaction.

Bill Gates, 1995



Some traditional banks already share this vision

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We want to be a tech company with a banking license

Ralph Hamers

Goldman Sachs

Goldman Sachs is a tech company with engineers representing >25% of its employees

Lloyd Blankfein

BBVA

At the end of the day, we won't be a bank any more, but a digital house

Francisco Rodriguez

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Tech banks are very lean and cost efficient through full automation of standard processes adapting a fully agile way of working

Tech banks still have an intermediation role but balance sheet usage is less important

"Tech banks" will operate differently from today

Tech banks create value for themselves and clients through smart automation

Tech banks use real time data along the whole value chain, big data and AI play a dominant role





Tech banks are run on a single cloud & service based software along the whole value chain



"Tech Banks" need to attract a different type of talent

Let us make a little poll:

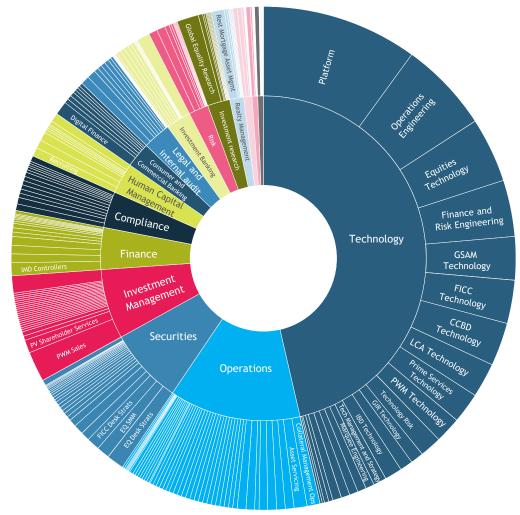
What is the percentage of tech job offerings at Goldman Sachs (vs. total job offerings)?

A 10-20%

3 20-30%

C >50%

X



In the long-run, change towards a "tech bank" with massive implications for Treasury/ALM



Mandate will move from balance sheet optimization to intermediation management



Real time trade execution and reporting processes will be automated



Funding execution will mainly take place via platforms



Steering will be operated by a small and highly skilled team



Team composition and talent requirement will change drastically

Let us step back and look for faster horses ...



Doing things leaner and smarter can already have a significant impact

Survey participant comments

- All digital enhancements will create greater effectiveness, accuracy and timeliness. We do not see them as cost saving initiatives.
- Automation will drive efficiencies, but we are mostly looking for deeper insights and better decisions.

Efficiency gains



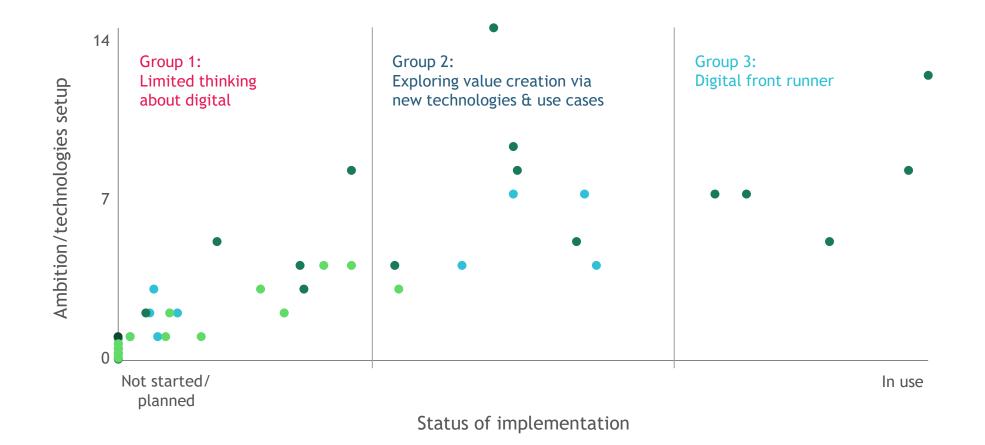
Expected over the next 3-5 years¹

Effectiveness gains



Expected to outweigh efficiency by 5-10x²

Not many digital front runners yet — three groups of bank Treasuries observed in the market



Large player
 Regional bank

Treasurers can leverage four groups of technologies to enable digital transformation

Collect

- Business Process Management Tools
- Optical Character Recognition
- Natural Language Processing
- Voice Recognition
- Image Recognition

Act

Robotic Process Automation

Analyze

- Data Mining
- Rule-based expert system
- Case based reasoning

Machine learning

- Supervised learning
- Unsupervised learning
- Deep learning
- Reinforcement learning
- Recommender system

Store

Blockchain/DLT

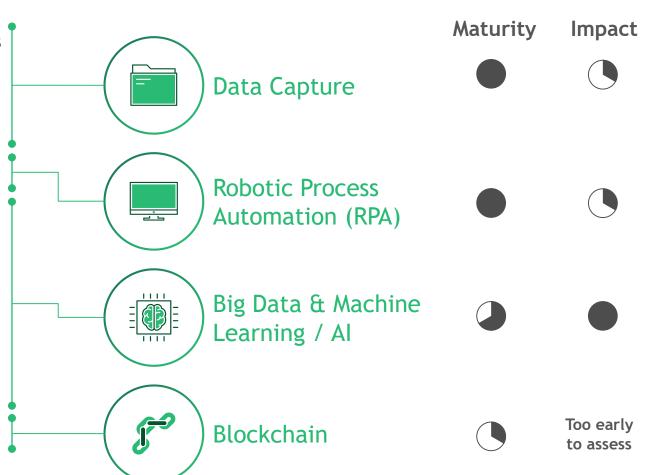




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Overview of Digital Treasury use cases - let us explore cash flow forecasting in more detail

Illustrative client examples

Shortterm liquidity

- Cash flow forecasting
- Collateral optimization
- Liquidity buffer decision support

Funding

- Business forecasting for funding planning
- Advanced investor analytics
- Funding decision support

Interest rate

- 7 IR cash flow forecasting
- 8 IRRBB hedging decision support

ALM

- Tokenization of the balance sheet
- FTP tool for large transactions
- Enhanced ALM modelling

Process

- Manual process automation
- Smart workflow tools
- Digital Treasury dashboard

Typical cash flow forecasting approaches...

Static/backwards-looking approach typically used for cash flow forecasting

Traditionally, banks estimate future cash in- and outflows based on:

- Contractual outflows
- Maximum daily outflows in the past
- Limited behavioral adjustments based on seasonal observations

... leading to a range of inefficiencies



Large cash reserve needed to protect against outflows



High volatility of LCR and short-term liquidity risk KPIs



Operational inefficiencies due to limited insights

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