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## Banco Central do Brasil's Innovation Agenda

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## **Digital world transformation**

- People are looking for a digital representation of value
  - Assets are becoming encrypted
  - Distributed ledgers allow assets to be verifiable and transferable, with divisibility
  - We are talking about extracting value from an asset in its digital form
    - Art, pictures, properties, ideas and even money
- Are we moving towards a tokenized economy?

If the tokenization thesis holds true then the 21st Century may see the creation of regulated, global, token-based, muti-asset networks.\*

\* The Regulated Internet of Value, Citi's Digital Policy, Strategy and Advisory, 06/21.



### **Tokenization of the economy**



- The main change is the tokenization of assets for trading
- Asset tokenization generates efficiency gains
  - Trade, register, contracts, collaterals etc.
  - Greater speed and transparency
  - Lower cost
  - More open processes
  - Programmability in the purchase and sale of assets

### An integrated agenda

The four fundamental blocks

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Pix Rail of programmable payments

#### Currency internationalization Payment

internationalization

#### **Open Finance**

Comparability and portability in real time

Drex Tokenization of the economy

#### Additional blocks for the future

Artificial intelligence

Data monetization



Establish rail of programmable payments





Enable new business models and innovations in companies' payment processes

Reduce costs



Contribute to payment **digitalization** and financial **inclusion** 

Boost competition and increase efficiency

### Pix gains space and increases its popularity

Pix growth promotes financial inclusion and enables small businesses

Per capita transactions – by countries







**4.4 billion** transactions in Fev/24, against 2.5 billion in Fev/23, **increase of 72.8 %.** 

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#### Pix and financial inclusion

#### **71.5 million** new users included with Pix.\*



of Pix and became PIX users.

Millions

160

140

120

100

80

60

40

### **Pix new functionalities**

Catalog

**API Pix** 

Regulation

Automatic Pix

certification in the

**Open Finance** 





Homologation

tests

**Full operation** 

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## Currency internationalization

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- Macroeconomy: international trade efficiency.
  - Why don't we have a single currency?
  - Which international currency will prevail?
- These topics lose significance with the connection of currencies.
- Connection of digital currencies.
  - There will be real time transactions with low cost.

# Currency internationalization

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Three challenges for the connection of international payments systems:

- Technology
  - Connection between DLT and centralized systems (solved)
- Settlements
  - Liquidity token pool (solved)
- Governance
  - Taxonomy (minimal rules for cross-border payments)
    - We need to advance on the topic

### **Open**finance Comparability and portability in real time





Standards and infrastructure that support the sharing of data and financial services by institutions authorized to operate by the BCB.



The Brazilian model is a global reference.



Greater financial and digital inclusion.



Convergence to marketplaces, with one or few environments for comparison of products and services.



Competition for channel and principality.

#### **Open**finance

#### Open Finance in figures



- 27 API developed and 12 under development.
- More than 42 million consents to share data.
- More than 1.4 billion API calls, on average, per week (phases 2 and 4).
- More than 68 billion API calls (phases 2 and 4).
- More than 800 participating institutions (all phases).

#### Capital markets and Open Finance:

 CVM and BCB are joining efforts to foster the Open Capital Markets initiative.

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### **Digital Real**

### Tokenization of the economy

#### Benefits in three dimensions:

- 1. Banking efficiency
  - To introduce the concept of tokenization
    - Risk management, collateral, financing, asset management, data analysis, settlement and products

#### 2. Efficiency in digital payments

- Bridge to De-Fi environment
  - > To bring decentralized finance into the regulatory perimeter
- Efficiency in financial intermediation
- 3. Efficiency in contracts and register



### **DREX** by Banco Central do Brasil

### **Digital Real**

#### **Tokenization of deposits**



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### DREX by Banco Central do Brasil

### **Pilot project**

#### Drex enters a new phase

#### **Objectives**

Next steps:

- Development of the Drex platform
- Dialog with society on Drex development

#### **Guidelines:**

- Multi-asset DLT Hyperledger Besu 1.
- Simulated transactions 2.
- 3. Asset fragmentation
- Access to services through IFs and IPs 4.



## Financial services aggregator

- Marketplace environment
- Competition by channel and for principality

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powered by Banco Central	DREX
<b>Spen</b> finance	
Consolidated position	Payment flows



Data wallet

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- The use of AI in the Super App can transform it in a financial advisor of the future.
- With programmability, connection with marketplaces and a comprehensive dataset, AI can be used in the 4 blocks for:
  - Financial consulting
  - Financial education
  - Process optimization (software and hardware) and improvements in the user experience.



- Data has become a great asset.
- Users are the owners of their data, but it is currently very difficult for them to monetize it.
- With marketplaces and connection between platform and digital wallet, clients will be able to store their data and monetize it.
  - Interaction of tokens with digital wallet

## Thank you!

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