




How Leading Organisations can Successfully Embed FinTech Applications and Solutions

Thursday 14th October 2021, 10:00-11:30 (BST) | Zoom

DLF is collaborating with Rise, created by Barclays to bring together a collaborative innovation network of pioneering FinTech startups and large enterprise organisations to accelerate collaboration, navigate complex regulatory environments, and unleash disruptive innovation.

SESSION AGENDA

10:00-10:05	Welcome and introduction
10:05-10:35	Presentation and Q&A: Grant Thornton
	 <p>Niresh Rajah Managing Director Grant Thornton</p>
10:35-11:00	Presentation and Q&A: Paysme
	 <p>Derek Stewart CEO & Founder Paysme</p>
11:00-11:25	Key Fintech Leadership Academy findings: Digital Leadership Forum
	 <p>Justin Hunt Founder Digital Leadership Forum</p>
11:25-11:30	Conclusions and close

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SPEAKER BIOS

Niresh Rajah – Managing Director, Grant Thornton - Managing Director, Head of Data, Regulatory Change, Reg Tech and Digital Assurance Practice, Grant Thornton UK LLP, Board Advisor and Non-Executive Director. Niresh is an executive leader in Financial Services and Consulting with 20 years of experience focused on Data, Digital, Regulation, Automation, Innovation and Transformation. Before joining Grant Thornton, Niresh spent 10 years at Barclays and Lloyds Bank. led a number of capabilities as Deputy Chief Data Officer covering Regulatory Change Developments, regulatory change execution, chief data office (data management and governance), data driven solutions (data analytics, and data science), automation of controls and the RegTech capability (Innovation Hub). Including Brexit changes and GDPR. Niresh has an MBA from the University of Oxford and is an advisory board member of a number of FinTech and RegTech judging panels evaluating scale-up and start-up companies.

Derek Stewart - CEO & Founder, Paysme - Derek is the CEO, founder and largest investor in Paysme. From 2000-10, he was the co-founder and CEO of BNY Mellon Alternative Investments growing from a startup to investing \$2bn of client assets globally. His public track record managing hedge funds spans 17 years with only one down year in 2008. Derek has been active in the financial services and technology industry for over 30 years investing personally and professionally in a range of funds and early stage businesses, with multiple exits.

Grace Batchelor - FinTech Platform Manager, Rise, created by Barclays - As the Platform Manager at Rise London – Barclays’ ecosystem of FinTech startups working to disrupt the future of the financial services industry – Grace is responsible for delivering the strategy aimed at supporting and nurturing the growth of early-stage startup companies. Grace is passionate about building communities that support businesses in their growth through mutually beneficial connections and collaboration. After joining Barclays on the graduate programme, Grace spent the first 4 years of her career developing and refining her marketing and communications skillset whilst building a strong internal and external network. As part of the Barclays innovation team, Grace plays a role in influencing the future technology strategy of the bank through the identification of new disruptive tech trends and businesses, thought leadership and industry connections.