

Office of Financial Technology

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Today's Agenda



01 — The Office of Financial Technology

02 — Bank-Fintech Arrangements

03 — Q&A



Office of Financial Technology



Builds upon and incorporates the Office of Innovation



Enables the OCC to become more agile and promote responsible innovation



Serves as a central point of contact and clearing house for matters relating to financial technology





Early Considerations for Bank-Fintech Arrangements

- New financial technology products can offer many benefits but also have risks that need to be managed
- > Opportunities need to be balanced with safety and soundness, fairness to customers, and consumer protection
- > Effective strategic planning, appropriate accountability and oversight, and proper third-party risk management are some of the keys to success



Guidance for Bank-Fintech Arrangements

Third Party Relationships: Interagency Guidance on Risk Management

- > Outlines the third-party risk management life cycle
- Describes sound risk management principles to consider when developing and implementing third-party risk management practices

Conducting Due Diligence on Financial Technology Companies: A Guide for Community Banks

- > Provides information relating to six common areas of due diligence
- > Provides general considerations, potential sources of information, and illustrative examples relevant to community banks



OCC Resources

Third Party Risk Management

- OCC Bulletin 2021-40: Conducting Due Diligence on Fintech Companies: A Guide for Community Banks
- OCC Bulletin 2023-17: Third-Party Relationships: Interagency Guidance on Risk Management

New Product and Service Development

• OCC Bulletin 2017-43: New, Modified, or Expanded Bank Products and Services: Risk Management Principles

Cybersecurity

- OCC Bulleting 2023-22: Cybersecurity: Cybersecurity Supervision Work Program
- OCC Bulletin 2015-31: FFIEC Cybersecurity Assessment Tool
- Bank Information Technology (BIT) | OCC

Model Risk Management

 OCC Bulletin 2011-12: Sound Practices for Model Risk Management: Supervisory Guidance on Model Risk Management

Investments

• OCC Bulletin 2021-54: Investments: Venture Capital Funds





