

# STABLECOINS FOR BANKERS

A VIRTUAL CONFERENCE | JANUARY 13, 2026



## To our attendees:

As indicated on the agenda below, a handful of our conference sessions will be followed by an invite-only virtual roundtable. In this closed-door setting, a smaller group of select attendees can participate in a live, interactive discussion with the speaker(s) and each other.

We hope to include each conference attendee in whichever roundtable session they selected as their top choice when they registered for this event. Please watch your email for the invitation and instructions on how to join.

### TIME (EST)

### AGENDA FOR JANUARY 13TH

9:00 – 9:29 AM

#### UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STABLECOINS AND TOKENIZED DEPOSITS

**Speaker:** Subramanian (“Subbu”) Narayanaswamy, executive director, personal lending, fraud strategy, Wells Fargo

9:30 – 9:59 AM

#### A CHECKLIST FOR CRAFTING RISK AND COMPLIANCE STRATEGIES

**Speaker:** Ravi Nematikanti, chief product and technology officer, Abrigo

What do risk and compliance executives need to know as banks and credit unions consider their options for activities involving tokenized deposits and/or stablecoins? What are the considerations for liquidity management, fraud detection, AML, etc.?

10:00 – 10:29 PM

#### LESSONS FROM EUROPE: WHAT’S HAPPENING IN THIS MORE MATURE STABLECOIN LANDSCAPE?

**Speaker:** Myles Harrison, chief product officer, Amina Bank in Zug, Switzerland

The use of stablecoins is growing in Europe, driven by regulatory clarity and institutional interest. There are at least a dozen euro-denominated stablecoins, and a consortium of 10 major European banks, including BNP Paribas and ING, are collaborating to launch their own stablecoin in the second half of 2026. How is all this activity impacting the market there and what are the implications for the U.S.? Amina, which has a Swiss banking license and offers crypto services within a traditional regulatory framework, shares some perspective.

10:30 – 11:10 PM

#### WHAT TO EXPECT FROM REGULATORS IN 2026

**Speaker:** David Sewell, U.S. head of financial services regulatory for the law firm Freshfields

An overview of the new legislation relating to stablecoins and tokenized deposits, including the pros and cons for the banking industry, and what to look out for from the various regulatory agencies in 2026.

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11:30 – 12:10 PM

#### BANKER TO BANKER: PRACTICAL PERSPECTIVES FOR COMMUNITY BANKS AND CREDIT UNIONS

**Speaker:** Wade Peery, chief innovations officer at FirstBank in Nashville and a founding member of the USDF Consortium

With every new thing in banking comes a lot of hype and bombast. But what about all this actually makes business sense for the thousands of smaller institutions out there without the resources of a JPMorgan Chase? In an interview format, FirstBank’s Wade Peery, who has been involved with digital assets from the early days, will break down this complicated topic banker to banker. He’ll talk about what’s happening that he believes will force all banks to deal with this issue whether they like it or not. He’ll highlight some interesting findings from a study about the liquidity impact for banks. And he’ll share what he’s hearing from lawmakers and policymakers in his trips to DC.

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### HOW STABLECOINS WILL IMPACT PAYMENTS

**Speaker:** Divyarani Raghupatruni, *senior director of product, data and orchestration, Alacriti*

Stablecoins are moving quickly from headlines to everyday financial activity — and they're beginning to influence how payments are issued, moved, and settled. For banks, the question is no longer if they matter, but how to participate safely and strategically.

Join us as we break down how stablecoins fit alongside existing rails like the RTP network and FedNow Service. We'll look at real banking use cases — from cross-border to settlement to new deposit models — and discuss what it takes to stay compliant, manage risk, and protect customer trust.

You'll walk away with a practical view of where stablecoins are heading, what they mean for your payments strategy, and how to prepare your institution for the next phase of modernization.

1:00 – 1:45 PM

### THE PATH TO REALISTIC ADOPTION STRATEGIES

**Panelists:**

- **Sarah Grooms**, *chief administrative officer, banking strategies, Wintrust Financial in Rosemont, Ill.*
- **Homam Maalouf**, *chief product and data science officer & co-founder, Lead Bank in Kansas City, Mo.*
- **Jimmy Stallings**, *president of the payments group & board member, Stride Bank in Enid, Okla.*
- **Wade Peery**, *chief innovations officer, FirstBank in Nashville, and a founding member of the USDF Consortium*

In this session, a panel of banking executives discuss how their institutions are approaching this space and figuring out what, if anything, makes sense for them to pursue. What are the potential use cases from their perspective? What are they thinking about when and how to invest?

What about the challenges of competing for internal resources and the change management of it all?

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2:00 – 2:40 PM

### CORE PROVIDERS: WHAT'S THEIR STRATEGY FOR TACKLING STABLECOINS AND TOKENIZED DEPOSITS?

**Moderator:**

**Peter Glyman**, *founder & CEO, Coinbase, and former managing director of corporate strategy for Jack Henry*

**Panelists:**

- **Jesal Meswani**, *head of payment products and solutions, CSI*
- **Mihail Duta**, *director, global solution consulting, payments, Americas, Finastra*

How do core providers foresee stablecoins impacting banks and credit unions under \$10 billion, or even \$20 billion, of assets? How will stablecoins affect the infrastructure of these institutions and how can they prepare for the transition? What role will core providers and other fintech firms play in helping financial institutions? What sort of new offerings are expected to be part of the first wave and how soon?

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3:00 – 3:40 PM

### HOW TO BRIEF YOUR BOARD ON STABLECOINS AND TOKENIZED DEPOSITS

**Speaker:** **Matthew Wolf**, *director, blockchain and digital assets at RSM US*

A briefing that includes the most important things for board members to know about this topic right now.

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### FROM STRATEGY TO EXECUTION: HOW BANKS ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH STABLECOINS

#### Speakers:

- **Neil Chopra**, *financial markets economist, Fireblocks*
- **Erica Khalili**, *chief legal officer & co-founder, Lead Bank*
- **Sarah Grooms**, *chief administrative officer, banking strategies, Wintrust Financial*

The discussion will focus on how stablecoins fit into everyday banking operations such as payments, liquidity management, and client services, and what signals are driving institutions to show clear intent to move forward. The session will also address how banks are thinking about stablecoins versus tokenization — whether these are complementary paths, sequential steps, or alternative approaches depending on the use case.

Drawing on both bank perspectives and Fireblocks' marketwide visibility, the conversation will highlight the top five questions banks are asking today, how those questions differ across institution size and role, and where banks are most actively advancing discussions around stablecoins and tokenized deposits.

The goal is to ground the conversation in what's actually happening across the market — separating real momentum from noise — and provide attendees with a clear sense of where their peers are moving and why.