

FINANCIAL SERVICES | FINTECH | INSURTECH

1.	Brochures		
	Rising Sum value investing platform	2	
	Risk Informer cross-asset trading	5	
2.	Features and factsheets		
	Fintech magazine interview	7	
	Digital wallets ghosted feature	10	0
	SWIFT support tool factsheet	13	3
	Trading simulator factsheet	14	4
	Trade credit factsheet	15	5
3.	Blogs		
	Paysafe online and mobile payments	16	6
	RDT insurtech provider	20	0
	Xpress Money	22	2
4.	Web copy		
	Barclays Private Bank	24	4
	NETinfo omnichannel banking	25	5
	Davy Select investment platform	26	6
	Lloyds Banking Group	27	7
	Websure insurtech provider	28	8
5.	Newsletters, magazines, bulletins		
	Prism insurtech newsletter	29	9
	Matrix insurtech newsletter	30	0
	Electronic trading magazine	33	1
	SWIFT bulletin	32	2
	Lloyd's Market newsletter	33	3
	Deutsche Bank newsletter	34	4
6.	Adverts		
	Trading front end	35	5
	Trading simulator	36	6



Client: Rising Sum, innovative technology start-up

Project: Brochure copy and company name for a value investing platform





Building on Buffett's model

Successful investing is a blend of art, science and luck. Although chance will always play a part, your prospects as an investor are vastly improved if you adopt a proven strategy.

And when it comes to strategies, few have had more conspicuous success than value investing. Warren Buffett, the greatest exponent of the technique, has consistently outperformed the market by following his legendary acquisition criteria. Today, the 'Sage of Omaha' has a net worth of more than \$50 billion. That's no accident.

Introducing Rising Sum

At Rising Sum, an investment technology provider, we are following Warren Buffett's lead. Moreover, we have taken his winning formula one step further and created a platform at risingsum.com that rigorously and systematically applies the fundamentals of his approach.

Call it a marriage of art and science. By combining the principles of value investing with our screening technology, we give you unique investment insights and understanding. It's a highly focused view, one that penetrates a welter of data and brings the underlying potential of companies directly to your screen.

What lies beneath

We provide market knowledge to identify true (or hidden) value. This will guide your investments and help you make informed decisions. In short, just like Warren Buffett, you will be equipped to outperform the market.



In developing the platform, we have examined the needs of online investors and financial advisers. We have looked closely at how they pick stocks and we have reviewed the strengths and weaknesses of current tools and techniques.

As a result, Rising Sum sees through the blind spots in today's complex financial landscape. It's a platform for those who want to harness the power of value investing and profit from what other investors miss.

Finding hidden value

While there are many stock screeners, only Rising Sum is precisely calibrated for value investing. It collates quantitative and qualitative data and presents a comprehensive profile of investment opportunities in the equities marketplace.

The starting point is Berkshire Hathaway's acquisition criteria:

- ➤ Large purchases (with at least \$50 million of before-tax earnings)
- Consistent earning power
- > Good returns on equity and little or no debt
- ➤ A simple business proposition
- Sound management
- > An offer price

With Rising Sum you can screen entire indices and find companies that demonstrate historical and fundamental data consistency, or improvement, over time and key ratios.

You can also build and save your own custom screening models, tailoring the technology to individual investment styles and goals.

So, what's the secret to unlocking hidden value? You'll find it in Rising Sum's proprietary AlphaSlope indicators and Value Barometers.

Who is Rising Sum for?

Rising Sum is designed for financial institutions, money managers, independent financial advisors and independent investors.

If you're looking for the latest screening technology to maximize the strength and potential of value investing, our platform will add a powerful new dimension to your analysis and investment decisions.

Using Rising Sum's AlphaSlopes and Value Barometers, investors can apply the Berkshire Hathaway model to:

- > Identify companies that demonstrate consistent performance
- > Identify companies that are undervalued
- > Create graphs that show data based on up to 10 years of performance
- > Identify companies with the potential to improve performance



By showing more historical data than other screeners, we allow investors to spot where the real value lies.

When applying AlphaSlopes, you can measure a company's performance over time and determine consistent earnings and returns on equity. Then, together with Value Barometers, you can build up an overall picture by assessing margin of safety and intrinsic value.

Intrinsic value

This is the difference between book price and potential value — and it lies at the heart of value investing and the Rising Sum platform. By following AlphaSlopes and Value Barometers for chosen companies, you can test their intrinsic value across different timeframes and criteria. Then, armed with this fundamental data, you can pick undervalued stock.

Quality control

While AlphaSlopes and Value Barometers provide quantitative analysis, Rising Sum brings you qualitative analysis through regular Value Reports that profile the top screening results.

Adding more value

We also provide Value Alerts, which are real-time bulletins on developments such as earnings published outside market hours. The alerts ensure that you receive the right information to respond to material events.

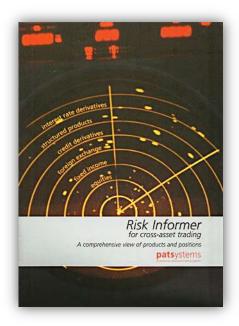
Rising Sum in action

Rising Sum identified both Lubrizol and IBM as value investments before Warren Buffett paid \$20 billion for them. It can do the same for you, providing the vital investment edge and market insights that mean the difference between loss and gain.



Client: Patsystems, global trading technology

Project: Cross-asset trading brochure





Making risk pay

No risk, no reward. The greater the risks, the greater the potential rewards.

That's the conventional wisdom in financial markets. But if you want to make risk pay, you must plot your strategies carefully and trade shrewdly.

Thanks to Patsystems, there's a powerful tool that allows you to see and control cross-asset risk. A tool that helps you navigate hazards and focus on rewards.

The name is Risk Informer.

Cross-asset risk reporting

Risk Informer provides a real-time view of risk and profit and loss across different asset classes and financial products. You have a single, consolidated view of data, drawn from disparate systems, and can decide the level of detail to suit your trading strategy.

All assets, all risks, all trades

The application operates across all asset classes, including fixed income, equities, foreign exchange, interest rate derivatives, credit derivatives and structured products. It can rapidly adapt to new instruments, whether standard or exotic, and integrate a wide range of analytics. The result is a comprehensive picture of risk to satisfy the needs of all types of trader and risk manager.



Choose your risk parameters

With Risk Informer you can see intra-day risk data at any level of granularity. Configurable risk views, such as credit exposure and curve risk, can be defined and set to the desired level. Similarly, you can configure levels of aggregation on an individual basis, or according to hierarchies such as trade-level data, rolled-up to the book, sub-desk and desk levels.

Dynamic data

Risk information is updated dynamically across positions and can be viewed at different levels of aggregation by drilling down. This includes drilling down to the data source. Pricing methodologies, parameters and risk metrics can be selected from different libraries, giving precise control. You can trace the factors that cause a metric to change, such as market data movement, a rate reset or a new deal.

Limits and alerts

Further control is provided by limits and alerts. The limits can be based on a wide variety of conditions and are checked against new trades, price movements or changes in contingent data.

Versatile, proven technology

Risk Informer operates seamlessly within the host infrastructure, harnessing trading data and analytics. It has been successfully implemented in a wide range of different environments, giving users the power to trade intelligently and securely.

Key benefits

- Consolidated view of traders' cross-product positions in real time
- Total transparency drill down to any level of granularity
- Focus on hidden portfolio exposures to target more effective hedging strategies
- Profit and loss/risk factors clearly explained
- Track market exposure and credit-based risk positions
- Stress-testing and simulations with actual portfolio position and validated models
- What-if scenarios, including trades, pricing models and input data
- Alerts-based notification of credit line and counterparty limit breaches



Client: Fintech Finance, quarterly magazine

Project: Interview feature with a bank





Fintech in the fast lane

New technologies and regulations are setting a furious pace for financial services. With change sweeping across Europe, the Swedish bank Nordea has been quick to respond

There's a signature line in the film Top Gun that could equally well describe Ewan MacLeod's approach to business: 'I feel the need – the need for *speed*.' As chief digital officer of Nordea, the largest bank in the Nordic region, MacLeod is a passionate advocate of the digital economy and the transformative power of today's technology. Whether he's discussing instant payments in restaurants (to eliminate the frustrating wait to settle bills) or technology for on-demand banking, MacLeod has clear views on how to create faster and more efficient services.

'Consumer power is the number one driving force today,' he says. 'Consumers expect a high level of digital communication and immediate service. Only a few years ago, before the on-demand age, people had no option but to wait for a service. Now, service providers must use technology to respond instantly to the needs of their clients.'

Change is coming from many directions, not least the regulatory front, and it's 'causing a bit of wheel spin', says MacLeod. Businesses have to adjust to new rules of engagement and a different landscape. For one, PSD2 and open banking is reshaping the marketplace, and many organisations are understandably worried about losing position and are unsure how to react.

But not Nordea. 'We're super focused on open banking and new business models,' says MacLeod. 'If you look at Facebook, Google or Amazon, they are all consumer experiences that we're now very familiar with and can learn from. The challenge for the financial world is to adapt to new consumer offerings that are competing with traditional models, and to do so in a more demanding regulatory environment.'



A good example of how Nordea is adapting – and moreover taking a lead – is the development of the bank's open portal. The first version of the portal, which is targeted at external developers, was launched earlier this year. It will be fully developed by 2018 and provide a channel for partners and third parties to develop new products and services. Not only does it meet the requirements of PSD2, it puts Nordea in pole position for APIs in the Nordic market.

'The portal reflects our vision of the future,' says MacLeod, 'and shows how we are collaborating with fintechs. It will provide our customers with a better service while allowing them to stay in control of their own data.' MacLeod firmly believes that customers should have more control of their data, provided that banks can still access data to improve services within the boundaries imposed by new regulations.

'We mustn't become mere consoles,' he warns, 'with customers pressing a button to either share or withhold information. The important thing is to maintain trust. From Nordea's standpoint, we are a trust partner, and we have a trusted role to play in managing our customers' data. The reality for financial institutions is that they can't always step out of the equation, as they have a duty to educate where necessary, and to use data to identify ways to provide a better service.'

Because banks have a long history of managing data, and trust is a cornerstone of the industry, MacLeod sees many opportunities to develop new data-driven services that would be welcomed by customers. The future, he says, doesn't belong exclusively to technologically sophisticated search engine providers or social media companies, which is why Nordea is constantly looking at ways to harness and manage data for the benefit of customers.

Cybersecurity is one aspect of data management that must never be forgotten. 'There's nothing more important to us than our data,' says MacLeod, 'so we must protect it at all times. We do that by employing the brightest minds in the marketplace and forging strong relationships with security bodies worldwide. Cybercrime is the downside of our increasingly digital world, and it's the common enemy in our industry.'

More positively, MacLeod is enthusiastic about the creative possibilities offered by data. 'We should make more use of big data, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and all the other exciting stuff that's happening now,' he says. 'Intelligent use of data makes life easier, speeds up and extends services, helping us in countless ways.'

To take a personal example, MacLeod mentions automatic systems for budgeting and other tasks. 'I've recently moved from the UK to Denmark,' he says, 'and I don't know how Nordic systems work. I'm unfamiliar with the processes, how taxes work, how much things cost. That means I'm using loads of different spreadsheets, but what I really want is an integrated, seamless solution that automatically handles all my requirements. We should be creating smart solutions like this, bringing data together to solve day-to-day problems.'

Data insights can create many new dimensions for financial services. 'I'm not suggesting that Nordea should get into Amazon's space, says MacLeod, but we can certainly enlarge and refine our role. For instance, we can use artificial intelligence to enhance our primary role as banks and financial experts.



We're testing many ideas, and we've already deployed a pension service that uses artificial intelligence. This is a fast-moving space for all banks, and you can expect to see many more developments in the near future.'

MacLeod is strongly in favour of partnerships to promote development. 'It's our job to bring the best possible service to the customer,' he says. 'But that doesn't necessarily mean we have to do it alone. If we have a service idea, it's good to work with partners who can help us experiment with data and then create something that's right for customers and complies with regulations.'

MacLeod highlights Nordea's work with accelerators. 'We've had the Nordea Startup Accelerator programme for a couple of years now, and it's been a fantastic way to interact with startups and create something new.' Here again, MacLeod emphasises the need for speed. 'Don't take six months to sign a contract,' he says, 'or six months to get the company into the procurement process. We're normally geared to work with bigger organisations, where the wheels move more slowly, so we've had to change our approach completely.'

It's a learning process where innovation and speed must follow the rules. 'I'll give you an example,' says MacLeod. 'We had one company with a great idea, a phenomenal idea. But when the business sponsor heard the pitch, the response was: "Well done, great product, looks fantastic, it's illegal." So we had to go away and adapt the idea, and the feedback gave us the insight to do that. The sponsor loved the revised version and we're now working with this company. The trick is to use agile software development, working fast and with team focus; but never rush, never create a waterfall. Collaboration and controlled speed, that's the aim.'

Nordea is creating a clear framework for this collaborative approach. 'We have some announcements coming up,' says MacLeod, 'that will ensure we work correctly and productively with startups and all third parties. Our partnership model is as open as possible, which is a reminder to everyone in Nordea that we don't have a monopoly on ideas. Open banking also means being open to ideas. There's a Copenhagen Fintech Hub, a Stockholm Fintech Hub, a Fintech Factory in Oslo and so on. We're interested in all fintech initiatives, and we're constantly on the lookout for potential partners.'

Nordea is a bank on the move — quite literally in the case of its HQ, which made headlines recently when it was announced that it would relocate from Sweden to Finland. It's a bold step that will enable the bank to operate in a freer regulatory regime, and it typifies Nordea's forward-looking and progressive culture.

'We take a smart approach to everything we do,' says MacLeod. 'We don't believe in having meetings just for the sake of meetings, and we're committed to creating an environment where we get things done without unnecessary obstacles.'

It was this philosophy that led Nordea to abandon the traditional office setup. Since 2013, instead of having designated desks and personal spaces, people can sit where they want and thus interact more easily and creatively. You could say it's a neat physical demonstration of open banking, and one that chimes perfectly with Nordea's commitment to collaboration and constructive change.



Client: Paysafe, online and mobile payments

Project: Ghost-written executive article for Payments & Card Networks



What next for digital wallets?

The crown is slipping and cash is losing its kingdom. Although a recent Forrester poll revealed that 53 percent of people still favour cash, the future is unquestionably digital and paperless. The cashless society is coming and smartphones are providing the processing power and connectivity for contactless payments and digital wallets.

Millennial momentum

The transformation is driven by the buying habits and preferences of the millennial generation, who are digital natives and the most committed and sophisticated users of smartphones. However, while millennials and mobile technology go hand in hand, and smartphones are now the principal method of internet access worldwide, digital wallets are not yet mainstream.

The rise of wallets

The concept of the digital wallet has been around since the early days of online commerce, and can be defined as any payment made through a device at physical point-of-sale or through mobile e-commerce. The distinction is between 'proximity' wallets and 'remote' wallets. The former means direct interaction between buyers and sellers while the latter is when buyers and sellers are not in the same place.

A further distinction can be made between mobile web-browser payments and in-app payments. Near field technology (NFC) is the main power behind proximity wallets, allowing smartphones to make a wide variety of transactions and to store identity information.

Anything that was previously transacted by paper or card can be kept on smartphones, and with 2.6 billion smartphones in use worldwide, today's mobile phones are versatile user interfaces and engines for e-commerce. The likes of Apple, Android and Samsung, each with their own 'Pay' solution, are prime examples of the way the online market is moving.



Simplify and conquer

There are compelling reasons why digital wallets are destined for a bigger role in payments. Above all, simplicity. As Henry David Thoreau famously remarked: 'Our life is frittered away by detail... simplify, simplify' – a sentiment that could well be the business case for smartphones as the payment method of choice.

When all the digital information needed for transactions is stored in one place, buyers and sellers have the prospect of frictionless one-click purchasing.

Gone is the need for consumers to enter a wealth of tedious details, while retailers benefit because fast, contactless transactions encourage greater volumes of business. The result is a seamless checkout experience. In addition to convenience, transaction costs are reduced through straight-through processing, because tapping or scanning a mobile device removes the need for intermediaries.

Convenience versus security

So much for simplicity – what about security? Whenever digital technology moves into new areas, there is always the fear that innovation will outpace security. Cybercriminals are of course quick to exploit any weaknesses, so consumers are understandably wary of trusting new payment methods.

The simple truth is that there is no such thing as 100 percent security; just as someone can pick your wallet, they can also steal data from digital wallets. However, wallets that contain credit card numbers loaded via an app are safer than chip-enabled cards. This is because the numbers are protected by tokenization, and they can't be written down or pilfered by a skimmer.

While card data is vulnerable to thieves with small NFC readers, smartphones are more secure; but that's not to say they can't be hacked, as has been the case with the NFC feature on some Android phones. This happens when a malware-infected app is downloaded and uses the phone's NFC reader to harvest credit card details and send them to the attacker.

When digital wallets incorporate multiple levels of authentication, they are among the most secure payment methods available today. With all technology, no matter how complex, the basic principle of effective security is the same: *something you know, something you have, something you are.* In other words, a password-token-biometric combination.

When this three-step approach is developed rigorously and consistently, and in parallel with digital wallet solutions, particularly for smartphones, it provides a highly secure environment for payments and should be enough to allay security fears.

Integration and compatibility

Convenience and simplicity are more likely to be compromised by market fragmentation and poor levels of interoperability rather than by security. Digital wallets can only function with compatible systems, which means widespread adoption and acceptance depends on successful integration across different processors and merchant and customer hardware.



The marketplace today is highly fragmented, with numerous providers pushing proprietary offerings, and there is no single infrastructure or wallet environment that ensures systems can talk to each other. What consumers need is a unified mobile commerce experience.

Making it happen with Paysafe

The Paysafe Group is helping to build a global wallet community and create the simplicity, security and compatibility that are the foundations for greater confidence and participation in mobile payments.

The growth of Paysafe's wallet business is reflected in figures reported for 2016. The digital wallet division contributed revenue of \$311 million, representing 31 percent of the group's total for the year, up five percent from the previous year. And digital wallet volume rose 15 percent to \$22.9 billion.

Merchants who accept payments through Paysafe's digital accounts can access millions of consumers through a single interface, and there are more than 100 local payment options, multi-language customer support, and full chargeback protection.

Paysafe is building the marketplace through continuous innovation and expansion. Consumer-facing apps, essential for smartphone usage, are a key focus. Recent developments include functionality such as multiple upload options and new versions of the group's Skrill and NETELLER apps.

Another focus is the integration of wallet solutions into merchants' mobile checkouts, and the integration of third-party technology to improve interactions and customer experience. Paysafe also provides software developer kits that enable quick and efficient integration through secure, ready-made code that can be used as is or adapted to individual requirements.

Finally, as further evidence of the demise of traditional payment methods, there is the paysafecard brand. The card brings another dimension to wallets by allowing consumers to convert cash into digital currency to pay for goods and services online, without having to provide any bank or credit card details to the merchant. Consumers can buy online and then bring the bar code on their smartphone to a POS to pay for their e-commerce purchases.

The way forward for wallets

With the growth of e-commerce and the ubiquity of mobile devices, digital wallets have an assured future. But greater integration and better awareness and education are needed before consumers and merchants fully understand the potential and feel comfortable about security.

Paysafe's digital wallets are showing the way forward, and provide additional functionality beyond wallet-to-wallet payments. This includes easy-to-use options such as frictionless recurring payments, VIP and loyalty programmes, linked virtual and plastic payment cards, and mobile-optimised solutions. Consumers can also send money to other wallet users worldwide using just an email address.

As digital enablers such as Paysafe continue to push boundaries and create app-based solutions and compatible systems, the mobile marketplace will mature and smartphones will increasingly become trusted financial tools.



Client: SWIFT banking network

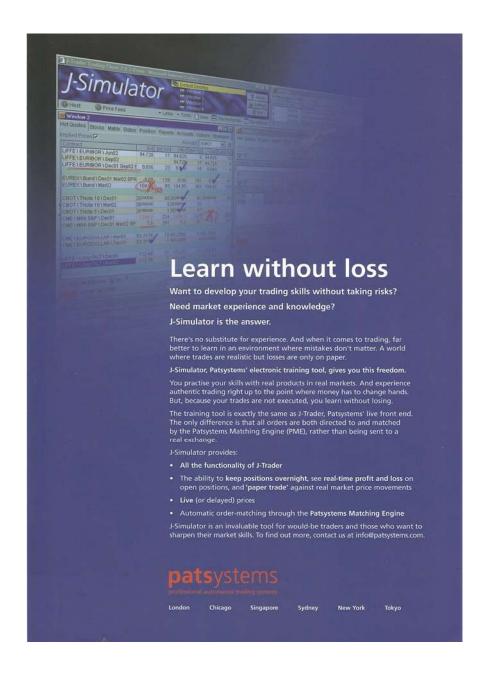
Project: Factsheet for a SWIFT support tool





Client: Patsystems, global trading technology

Project: Factsheet for a trading simulator





Client: Markel International, Lloyd's syndicate

Project: Factsheet for trade credit insurance





Client: Paysafe, online and mobile payments

Project: Corporate blog

Why REST is a foundation for payments success

Our world is now connected in more ways than anyone would have imagined 20 or 30 years ago. Thanks to internet technology and the explosion of digital communication, we can share information instantly across geographies, time zones, communities and businesses.

One of the key building blocks in this transformation is Representational State Transfer (REST). The REST API is the power behind Facebook, Amazon and Google, and has built countless other businesses and brands.

SOAP has lost its shine

REST APIs use the web to send request and response messages between clients and servers. The client and server can use any language or platform as long as the communication is via HTTP. The predecessor to REST was SOAP, and it had limitations. The main problem was that it used a cumbersome and long-winded XML message format, a weakness that is particularly evident in mobile communication where file size and bandwidth are critical. In short, SOAP slows down processing time – clearly a bad thing for payments processing.

SOAP has now largely been replaced by REST. Although the way gateways communicate with card schemes has changed little in recent years, API development has opened a universe of possibilities for developers, and REST is providing a firm foundation for the ecommerce boom. Today, if companies want to compete in the digital space, they need to use REST-based APIs. XML-based SOAP web services have neither the scale nor the versatility to support fast-moving digital businesses.

The advantages of REST

REST architecture is simple, lightweight and facilitates the following critical elements in a system: scalability, ease of use, ability to modify, visibility, portability, reliability and flexibility, and overall performance.

REST has the advantage of being interoperable and self-sufficient; it doesn't need to talk to other systems to understand a command, is easy to modify, and contains all the necessary information and references in one plugin module. In fact, REST demystifies the software developer's kit, touted by processors of all sizes as the way to integrate payments and to power mobile solutions. Because the kits are built to be self-sufficient, they use REST architecture.

Self-sufficiency means that other processes will not be affected by changes in one module, and any upgrades to a different functionality will not shut down an entire system. For business, that means



responsiveness, reliability and portability. REST APIs are therefore ideal if you want to use mobile apps to develop your business and support payments.

REST is best for developers

If you've ever tried to find support for old technology, you'll know that it's either non-existent or piecemeal, and invariably comes with a big price tag because developers, engineers and the market have moved on. From a business perspective, the demand for support is now so niche that companies either charge extra or no longer offer it.

REST APIs are the way forward and are loved by the development and architecture communities because they are versatile and offer speed to market. Paysafe's online Developer Centre provides comprehensive and interactive REST API reference material with code samples and snippets you can try. In addition, software developer kits are available in more than six programming languages on GitHub, making it simple to integrate into any system.

Powering ecommerce and mobile applications

Mobile communication will increasingly be a feature of payments, so ecommerce-enabled business must integrate with REST APIs and mobile software developer kits. Combining REST APIs with webhooks (event notifications) can improve overall information and communication flow, as messages are sent to a registered recipient whenever something occurs in the merchant account. Declines, approvals, notices: all become real-time and actionable information. This helps to limit fraud and improve fulfilment, customer analysis and general operational efficiency.

Building digital payments with Paysafe

Merchants of all sizes must embrace digital payments to stay relevant. Today, that means migrating away from SOAP/XML systems and adopting REST architecture. You should talk with your payment processor about integrations and time scales so that you can have a smooth transition. If your processor is unable to give you a REST API or if you are thinking about integrating payments with your business, contact Paysafe and learn how we can support you with our REST-based APIs, software developer kits and related tools and resources.



Client: Paysafe, online and mobile payments

Project: Corporate blog

Payment priorities for the sharing economy

Recent research by PwC suggests that the value of the global sharing economy will grow from \$15 billion in 2013 to \$335 billion in 2025. This dramatic rise underlines the way peer-to-peer platforms such as Airbnb and Uber are revolutionising supply chains and creating new business models.

But the change is not without operational challenges. Behind the fanfare and promise of the sharing economy, where buyers and sellers are creating exciting new marketplaces, there is a fundamental requirement for secure and dependable payment systems. Which is why businesses need a trusted financial partner to facilitate trade and to handle the flow of funds.

Payments in the international sharing economy are complex. Money must be divided between different accounts, currencies and geographies, and payment systems vary. And there is also the need to comply with a growing body of legislation such as the Payment Services Directive (PSD).

Preparing for sharing

At Paysafe, we make the payments process as smooth as possible. Whether supporting the old economy or the new sharing economy, there are three essential stages for a successful payments infrastructure:

- 1. Onboarding sellers
- 2. Accepting payments
- 3. Settling transactions

Let's look at each one in more detail.

Onboarding

This covers due diligence and the need to collect key customer information (ie, the requirement to 'know your customer'). The payment provider/partner will complete all necessary due diligence checks against the seller in order to meet, amongst other things, obligations for anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing. Payment partners must understand high-risk activities, such as crowd funding, and then carefully manage those risks. At the same time, sellers will want to onboard swiftly and seamlessly.

Acceptance

Buyers have their preferred methods of payment, which differ from country to country. Although payment acceptance may seem like a fairly standard service, payment providers that have built local card-acquiring networks may be able to offer better payment conversion to buyers in different geographies. Another consideration is how payments will be displayed in customers' bank accounts or



card statements. Chargeback transactions are avoided if you add the company name and order reference IDs to the transaction, and this is a key part of the consumer experience that is controlled by the payment provider.

Settling

Finally, once transactions have been verified and processed, the seller needs to be paid. This can be done through the seller's bank account or with a digital wallet held in a local currency. Market participants will need to consider their costs (including exchange fees and the relative value of different currencies) as well as the availability of networks to reach sellers in another geography.

Focusing on the future

Paysafe is committed to the needs of the sharing economy. Our marketplaces team, based in London, is working closely with businesses to support and develop new ways of working, and is building an infrastructure for money to flow between buyers and sellers in alternative marketplaces. This will enable companies in the new economy to concentrate on growing their businesses without worrying about handling payments and becoming financial institutions by default.



Client: RDT, insurtech specialist

Project: Corporate blog

How big data and insurtech can boost customer loyalty

The relationship between insurers and their customers is not always a happy one. Buying cover is a mundane necessity rather than a willing investment, and it's not easy to cultivate meaningful relationships when the touch points are limited to the initial purchase, renewals, or when making a claim.

Moreover, it doesn't help when some insurers resort to the cynical practice of dual pricing; in other words, attracting new customers with big discounts while exploiting loyal customers with price hikes when they renew their policies.

The practice was highlighted recently by *Insurance Times*, and has been investigated by the FCA and widely discussed and censured by industry commentators.

Dual pricing is a big reputation issue for personal lines insurers and a sure-fire way to lose customers in the long run. Instead of pursuing smash-and-grab profits, insurers should build revenue by maximising – not undermining – customer loyalty.

Keeping the 20 percent happy

Research shows that around 20 percent of customers end their relationship each year with an existing carrier and move to a new one. But enlightened insurers are now focusing on customer experience and using big data and insurtech to promote their businesses.

Far better to boost the balance sheet by consolidating relationships rather than by manipulating prices. And of course, once a long-standing customer discovers that its loyalty is being exploited, the chances are you'll lose it for good.

So, how can insurers get closer to their customers? The answer is through data enrichment, better data analysis, and greater connectivity – all areas in which RDT excels.

The hunt for data

Data has always been the bedrock of insurance. Whether it's addresses, financial status, or customer demographics based on age, residence, occupation or other variables, such details help insurers to establish a relationship as well as assess risks. And now that there is more data than ever, the challenge is to combine it and create a single view of the customer.

The more you know, the stronger the foundation to build customer relationships. Through Equator, RDT's data centralisation hub, insurers have access to the widest range of information, enriched from sources such as LexisNexis and Experian.



Processing the data

Once you have gathered and filtered the data, you need analytics to make sense of it. Insurtech helps you build group and individual profiles. You can identify patterns and trends that help to refine products and tailor them to customer needs.

A more personalised brand of insurance can then emerge, with insurers minimising churn by anticipating what customers want and then reinforcing existing relationship by providing the right service at the right time. Increasingly, this may involve products and services that go beyond simply underwriting risks and paying claims. Data opens the door for new types of relationship, giving digital insurers a wider platform for business. In all these areas, RDT is continually exploring ways to extract value and help insurers retain existing customers and win new ones.

Time and motion

Communicating in the way customers want and when they want is another route to increase loyalty. Today, across financial services, relationships are built on communications that are mobile, on-demand, omnichannel. Customers want everything in one place: they expect convenience, simplicity, speed. And they will be quick to shop around if their current provider falls short.

Here again, RDT is creating technology bridges – not least by developing advanced app technology for personal lines clients. As an example, see the Markerstudy case study.

Big data and insurtech are redefining the traditional role for insurers and enabling them to become more broad-based and responsive service providers. It is a change that will help to win the confidence and loyalty of customers.



Client: Xpress Money

Project: Corporate blog

How to send money from Australia to Vietnam

Australia has a significant Vietnamese population thanks to the refugee resettlement programme following the takeover of South Vietnam by communist North Vietnam in 1975. According to the 2016 census by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, 294,798 Australian residents claimed Vietnamese ancestry.

Many of these residents will support friends and relatives in Vietnam with regular money transfers. So, what are the quickest, safest and most cost-effective ways to send money from Australia to Vietnam?

Bank to bank

A bank transfer is probably the first thing you think of. However, there are drawbacks. Sending money from a bank account can take up to five business days and is more expensive than other money transfer services. Moreover, the majority of people in Vietnam do not have bank accounts. In 2014, the World Bank reported that only 31% of adults have accounts out of a population of 90 million.

Money transfer services

Instead of giving your business to a bank, along with a hefty transfer fee, you can send money to Vietnam using an agency. For example, with Xpress Money you combine speed and security with convenience and cost efficiency. The process couldn't be easier, as Xpress Money has a growing network of partner agencies spread across Australia and Vietnam, which means you're never far from a cash drop-off or collection point.

You simply visit your nearest agent, hand over your money and provide the receiver's details. You will be given a 16-digit XPIN for security, which you share with the receiver. The money is then transferred instantly. To pick it up, all the receiver has to do is visit one of the many local agencies and use the XPIN and provide proof of identity. Alternatively, money can be sent to a bank or it can be delivered to the receiver using a door-to-door service. Among Xpress Money's local bank partners are Vietnam International Bank (VIB) and DongA Commercial Joint Stock Bank.

Mobile transfers

Mobile wallets offer another way to transfer money. Vietnam has a very high mobile penetration – around 44% of the population have mobile phones, which is larger than the percentage of people with bank accounts. Customers with smartphones can install an app to facilitate instant payments.

Value and customer service

When sending funds with Xpress Money, customers pay low fees and get the best exchange rates, which means the sender spends less and the receiver gets more. Money Xpress has a global average cost of just 2%, one of the lowest in the industry. The overall global average among providers is 7.45%, with banks having the highest average remittance rate at 11.18%, as reported by the World Bank in 2017. As



well as a competitive rate, Xpress Money's customers receive 24X7 support and can track remittances from Australia to Vietnam, so they can be sure a money transfer has been picked up. Find out more here.



Client: Barclays Bank

Web copy for Barclays Private Bank Project:



What we offer

Barclays Private Bank is committed to your success. Wherever you are, we bring together the right people, ideas and opportunities to achieve your ambitions. With the global strengths and skills of Barclays behind us, we provide a worldwide service from our regional centres in Europe, India, the Middle East and North Africa. It's a highly focused and collaborative approach that draws on a wide range of advisors and specialist services. At the heart of this relationship is a dedicated Private Banker, who will work closely and creatively with you to protect and build your wealth.



Philanthropy Service

Philanthropy means different things to different people, reflecting the diverse ambitions and backgrounds of our clients and their families. We help you find the right approach and focus.

Whatever your philanthropic aims, we can help you understand the key issues and guide you with a strategy that meets your needs. This includes:

- Information on practical, flexible and effective giving including guidance on the best structure
- Help to identify your own philanthropy profile, including cause areas, extent and profile of
- . How to measures success and ensure your giving is meaningful to you and your family How to engage family members, including children, to create an inter-generational legacy which can promote social responsibility
 Bespoke literature and exclusive events to help you widen your understanding of philanthropy.

CREATIVE WORDS

Client: NETinfo, omnichannel banking

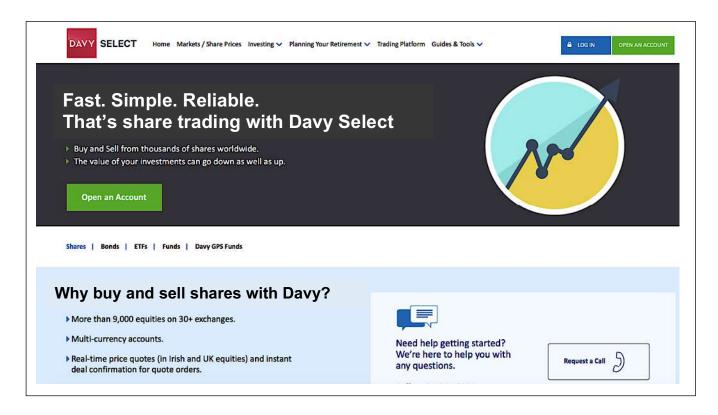
Project: Web copy and business definition

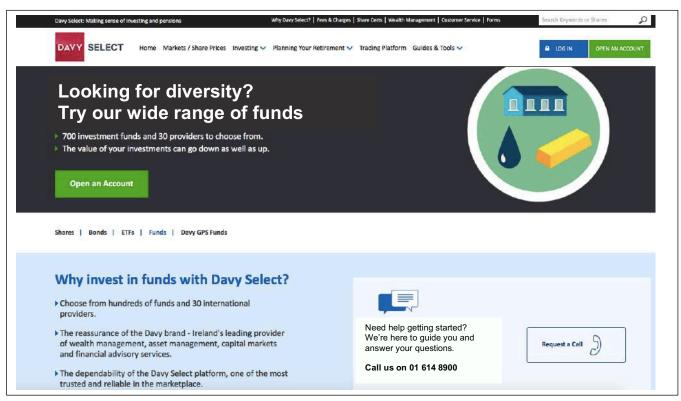




Client: Davy Select, financial services provider

Project: Web copy for an investment platform







Client: Lloyds Banking Group

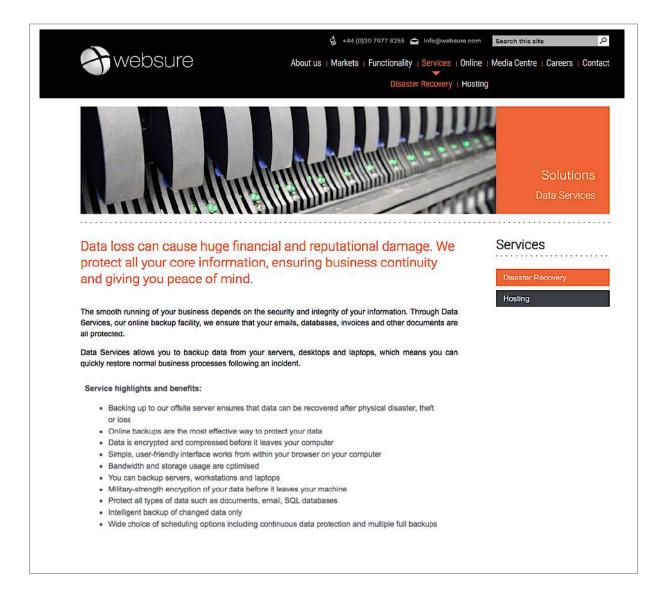
Project: Customer 'Insights' website copy





Client: Websure, London Market insurtech provider

Project: Products and services copy



CREATIVEWORDS

Client: RDT, insurtech provider

Project: Newsletter concept, editorial plan, all copy

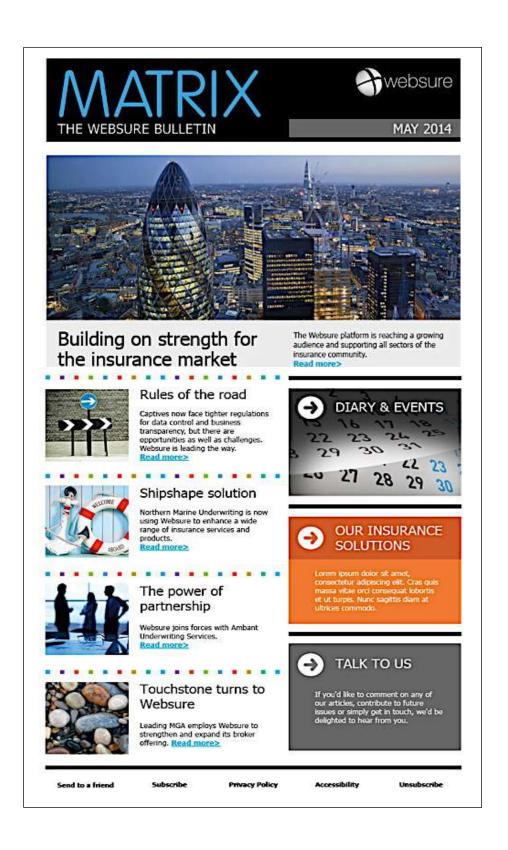




CREATIVEWORDS

Client: Websure, London Market insurtech provider

Project: Digital newsletter concept and creation, editorial plan, all copy





Client: Patsystems, global trading technology

Project: Newsletter concept and creation, editorial plan, all copy







Client: SWIFT, global banking network

Project: Copy for a regular operational bulletin for the SWIFT community



CREATIVEWORDS

Client: Markel International, Lloyd's syndicate

Project: Editorial plan and all copy for a quarterly magazine



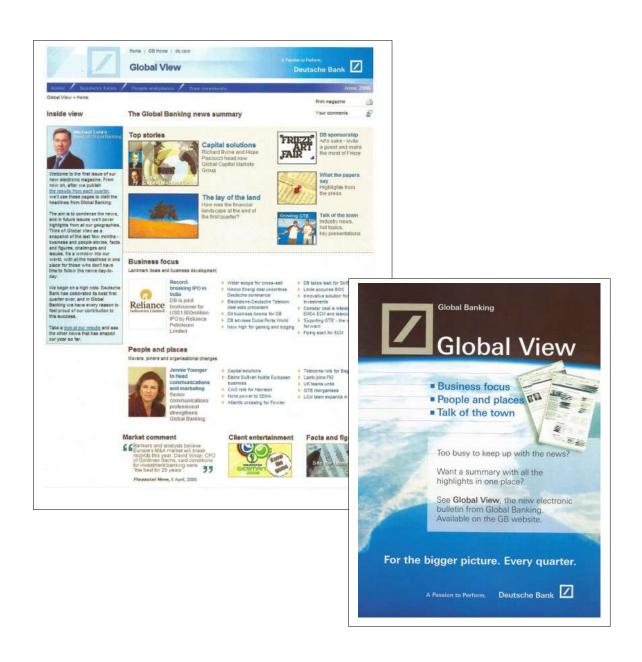






Client: Deutsche Bank, Global Banking Division

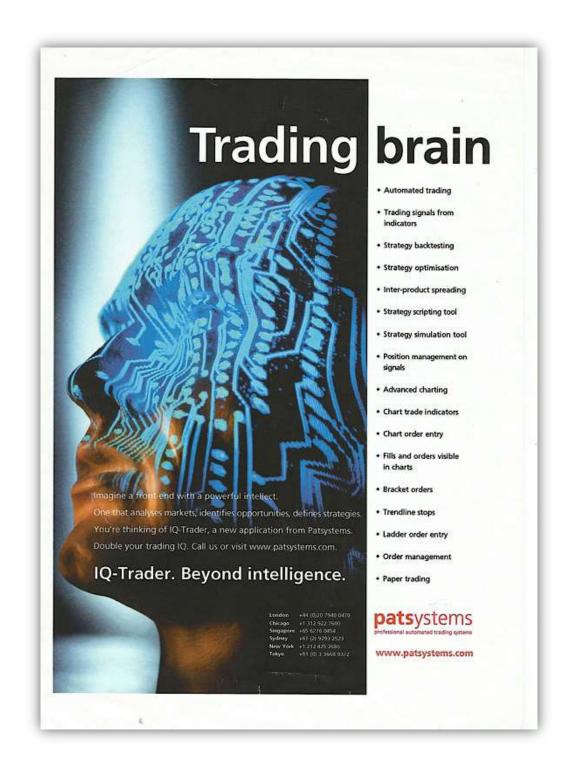
Project: Concept for a quarterly electronic newsletter, editorial plan, all copy



CREATIVEWORDS

Client: Patsystems, global trading platform

Project: Advert for an advanced front end





Client: Patsystems, global trading platform

Project: Advert for a simulator to help traders learn without loss

