



SWIFT for Corporates – Best Practices

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Agenda

- Introductions
- SWIFT Overview and Update
- Practical Business Applications
- Benefits of the SWIFT Service Bureau
- Implementation Best Practices
- Case Studies



SWIFT Overview and Update

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What is SWIFT?



The Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication (SWIFT) provides the communications platform, products, and services that allow organizations to exchange financial information securely. SWIFT also works to bring the financial community together to work collaboratively to shape market practice, define standards and create solutions.

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serving the
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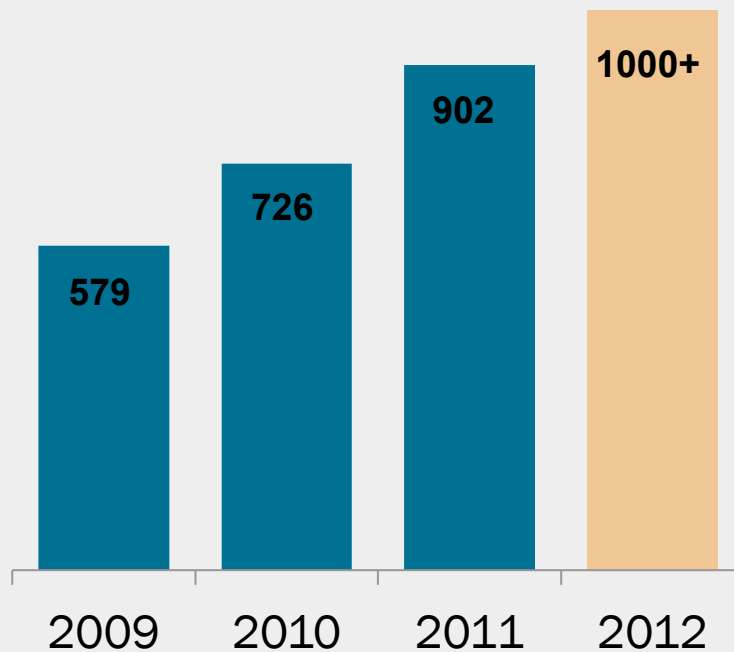
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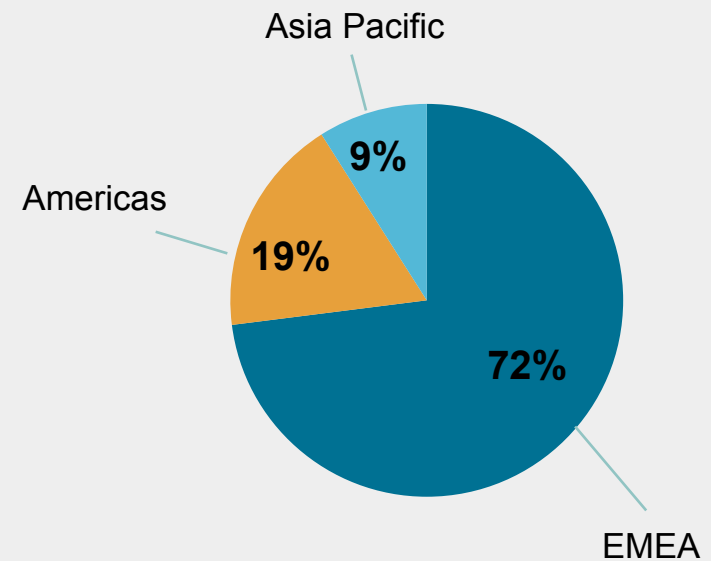
Corporate Adoption of SWIFT



registered corporate entities



Geographical split



Source: [SWIFT](#)

How Are Corporates Using SWIFT?



Leverage a single, standardized pipeline for bank communication

Information Reporting



Payments



Transaction Confirmations



Trade (LC) Processing



eBAM



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What's In It For Treasury & IT?



Typical Corporate Challenges

- Need visibility to global cash
- Operate in multiple countries
- Maintain multiple methods of bank connectivity

Value to Organization

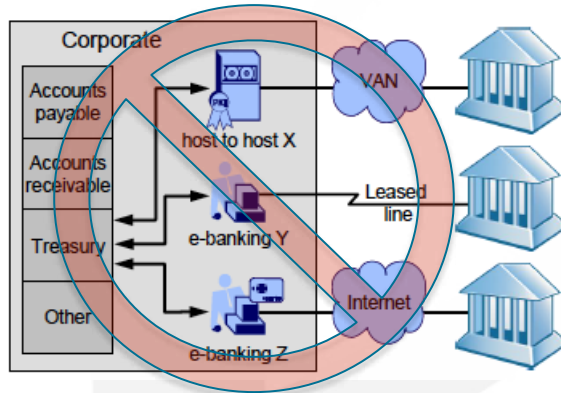
- Improved visibility and control
- Single interface
- Reduced costs
- Stronger security
- Greater efficiency
- More flexibility

Source: SWIFT

Develop a Business Case



1. Existing Reporting and Execution Platforms



3. Connectivity and Message Integration



2. Volumes and Counterparties



4. Noise and Acronyms



Trends in SWIFT

- Treasury 3.0
- Visibility to Cash
- eBAM – still evolving . . .
- Improvement in bank implementations for SCORE
- SWIFT connectivity expanding to middle market
- Deployment by domestic banks



Next Steps



- Evaluate SWIFT Value Proposition
 - One transfer system, platform, interface, solution and channel
- Assess Connectivity Options
 - Bureau, Direct (SWIFT Alliance Lite 2), Concentrator
 - Considerations
 - ▶ Budget
 - ▶ In-house SWIFT experience
 - ▶ Time frame
- Business Case
 - The benefit goes beyond pure cost considerations

Additional Business Applications for SWIFT

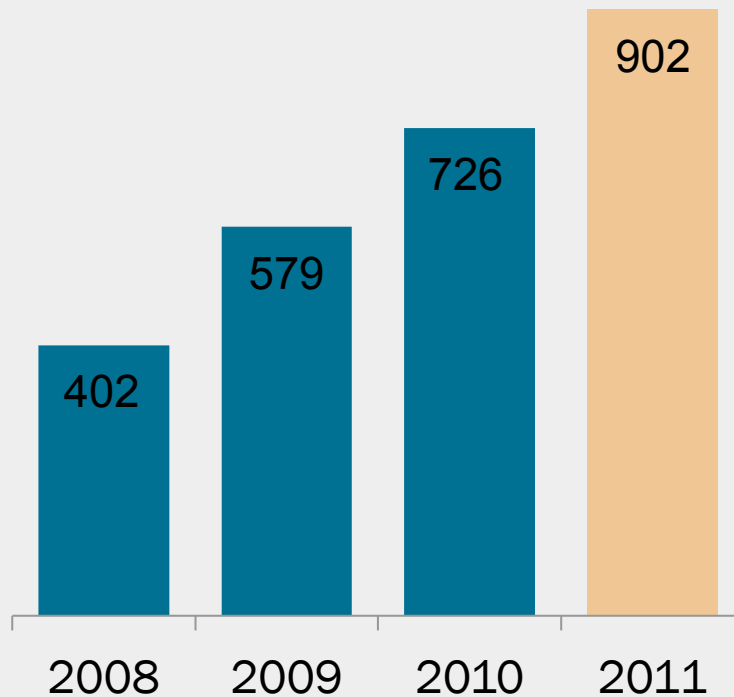
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Corporate Update

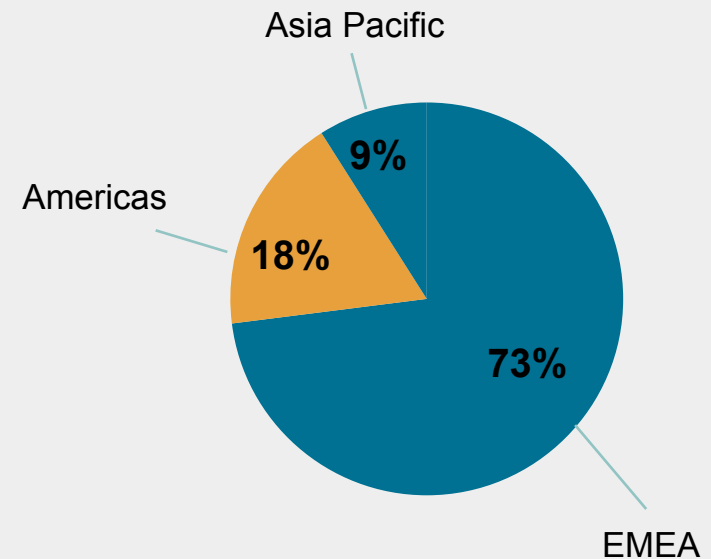


Adoption has provided an average of 344% ROI for some global corporates who have implemented SWIFT¹

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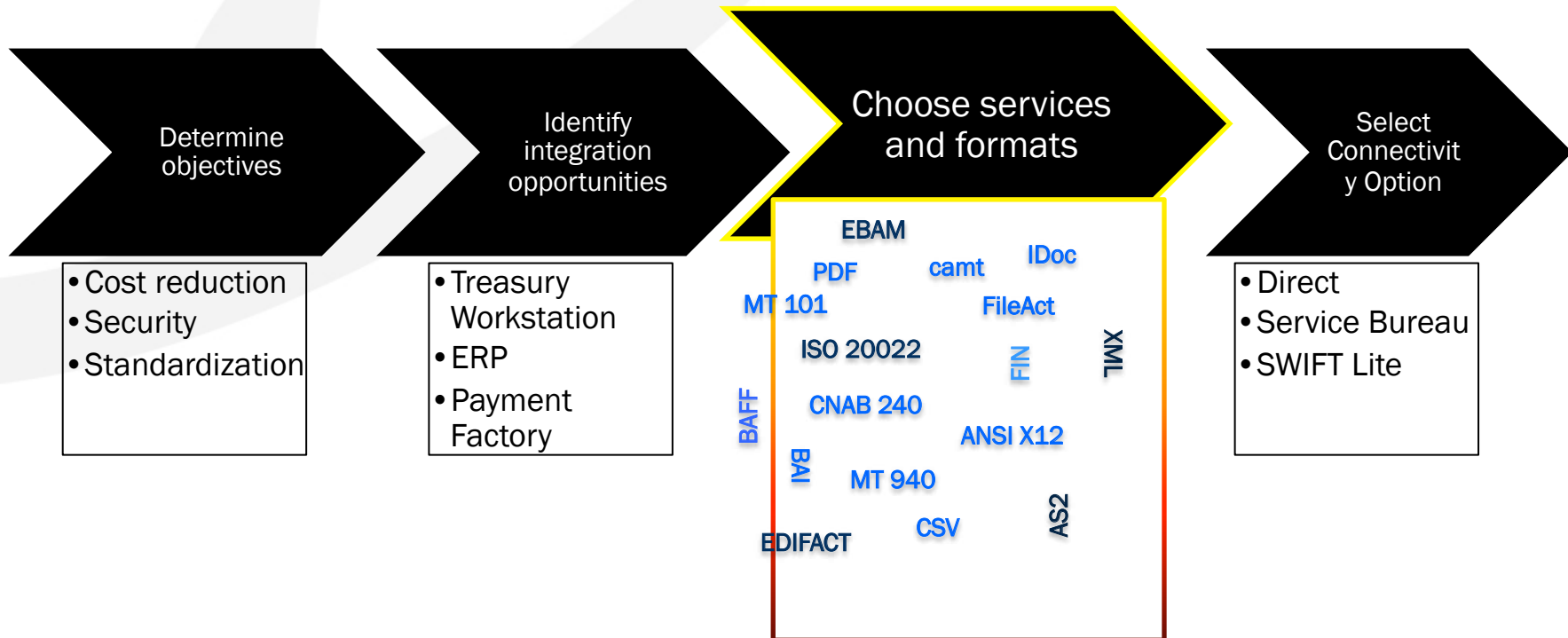
¹ Based on published ROI studies of seven major corporates: Microsoft, DuPont, Arcelor, GE, Petronas, T-Mobile, Iberia
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SWIFT Services Defined



- **FIN** – Single messages sent in SWIFT format (MT =Message Type). Typically used for high value urgent payments (wires) and PDR/ CDR information reporting
- **FileAct** – Bulked files sent through SWIFT network using swift wrapper. Can be any agreed upon format. Typically used for payments files, information reporting, ARP, U.S. ACH and Lockbox
- **eBAM** – *Electronic Bank Account Management*
- **3Skey Personal Identification** – *Authentication at individual level*
- **SWIFT Lite2** – *Direct connectivity option sold by SWIFT-Cloud-based with optional VPN*
- **Exceptions and Investigations** – *Automated query and investigation messages for wire status*
- **TSU** – *Documentary credit and guarantee messages for corporate-to-bank communication*

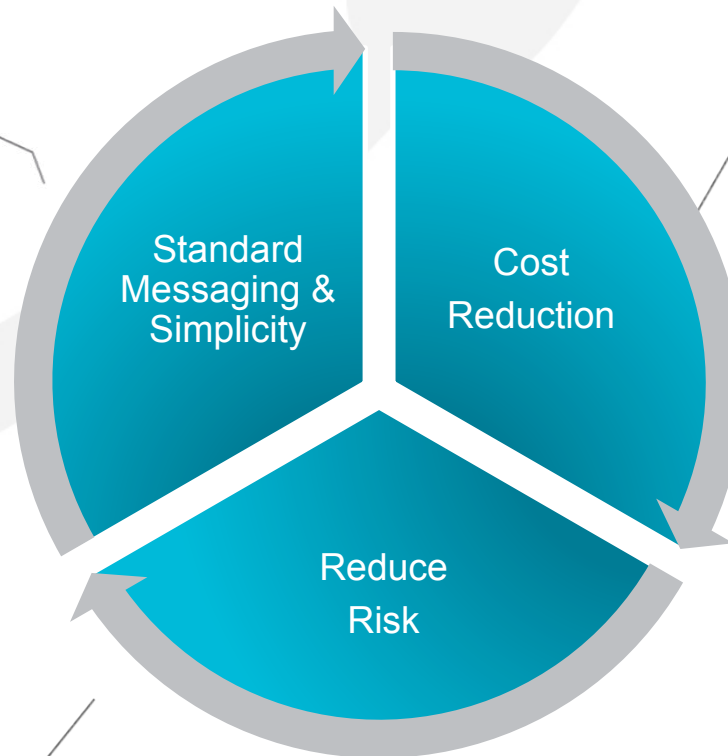
Pre-Implementation Project Plan



Defining your own solution – Objectives



- Utilize a **single, non-proprietary interface** to banks
- Increase **straight-through processing (STP)**
- Leverage robust **security, industry standard message types (SWIFTNet FIN) and file formats (ISO 20022 XML, EDI, NACHA, BAI)**



- **Reduce internal costs and gain efficiencies** from process re-engineering and improvement
- **Eliminate multiple communication channels** for banking integration
- **Decrease ongoing costs** from diverse application administration, maintenance and training

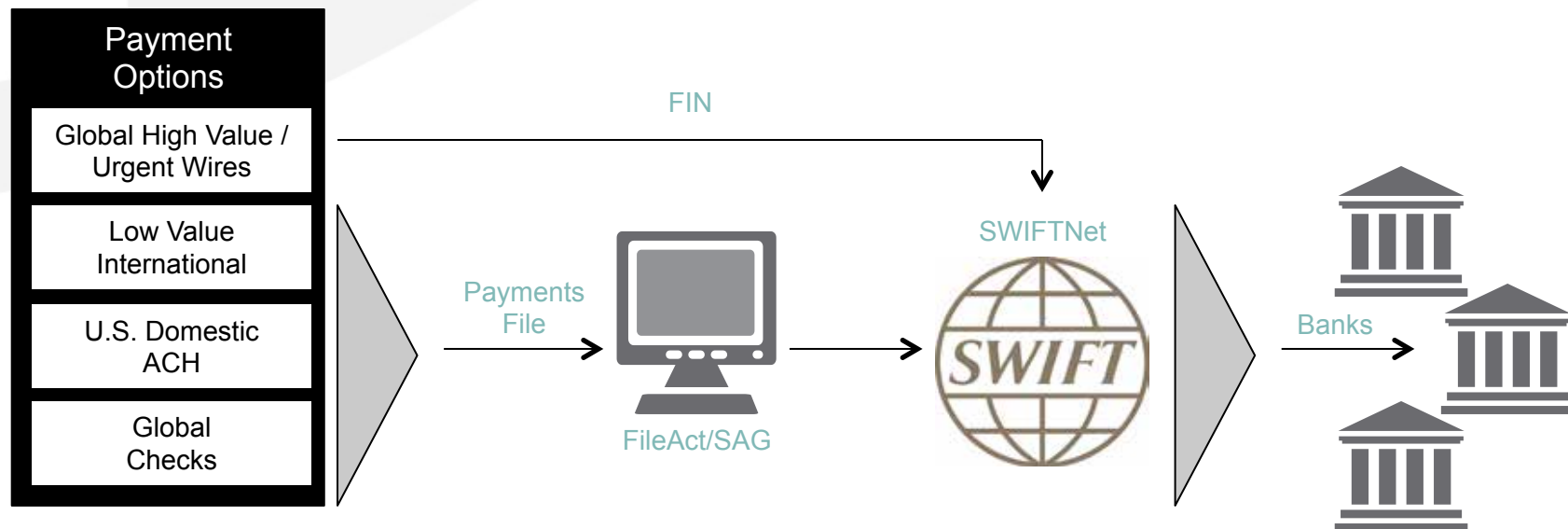
- **Reduce compliance issues and interface risk**
- Streamline **business continuity planning**
- Provide **robust security and resilience**

Business Application – Payments



- FIN - Send and receive secure message types
- MT 101: is only debit type allowed in SCORE
 - High value payments
 - Non-U.S. low value payments
- MT 900 Debit advices
- MT 910 Credit advices
- MT 210 advice to receive
- MT 199 cancellations/investigations

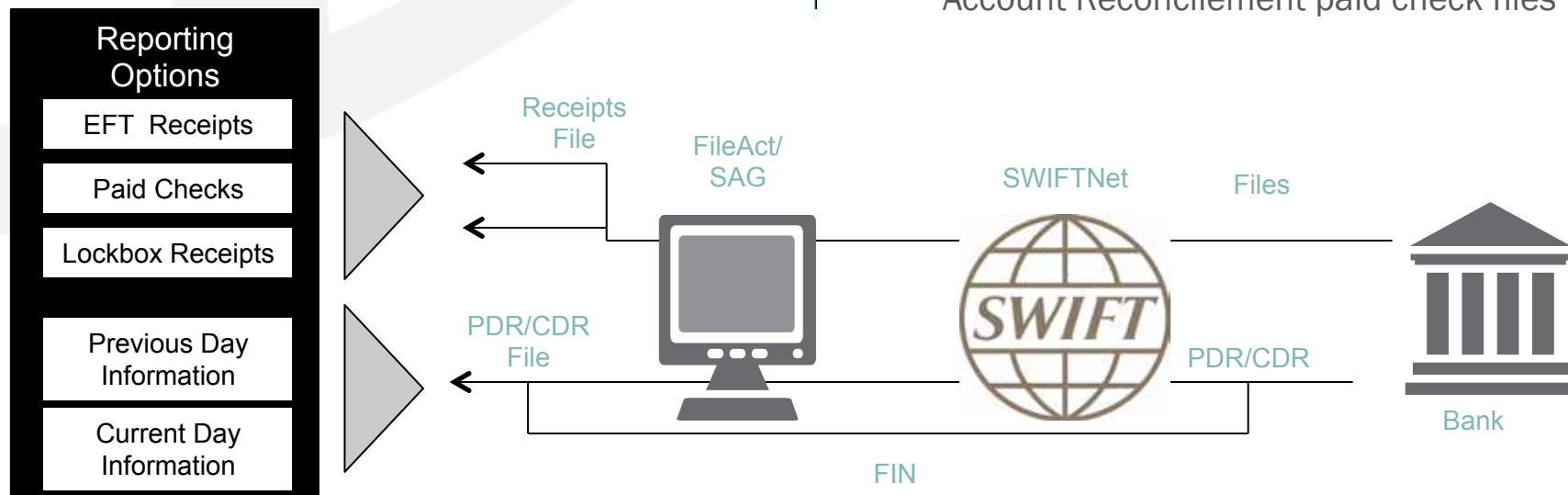
- FileAct - Send and receive files in supported formats
 - ACH: U.S. low value ACH files, acknowledgements and reports in NACHA Format
 - Global integrated payables files and acknowledgements in EDI 820, ISO 20022 XML, iDoc, etc.
 - Account reconciliation check issuance, daily paid and cycle-end output files typically bank proprietary format



Business Application – Receivables and Information Reporting

- FIN - Send and receive secure message types
 - MT 940 Previous Day Information
 - MT 942 Current Day Information
 - MT 941 Current Day Balance

- FileAct - Send and receive files in supported formats
 - PDR/CDR: Previous and Current Day information in BAI, ISO 20022 XML, bulk MT 940/942 format
 - Lockbox: data files in BAI2 format
 - Comprehensive Receivables Files is ISO 20022, BAI, EDI 823
 - Account Reconciliation paid check files



Business Application – Other

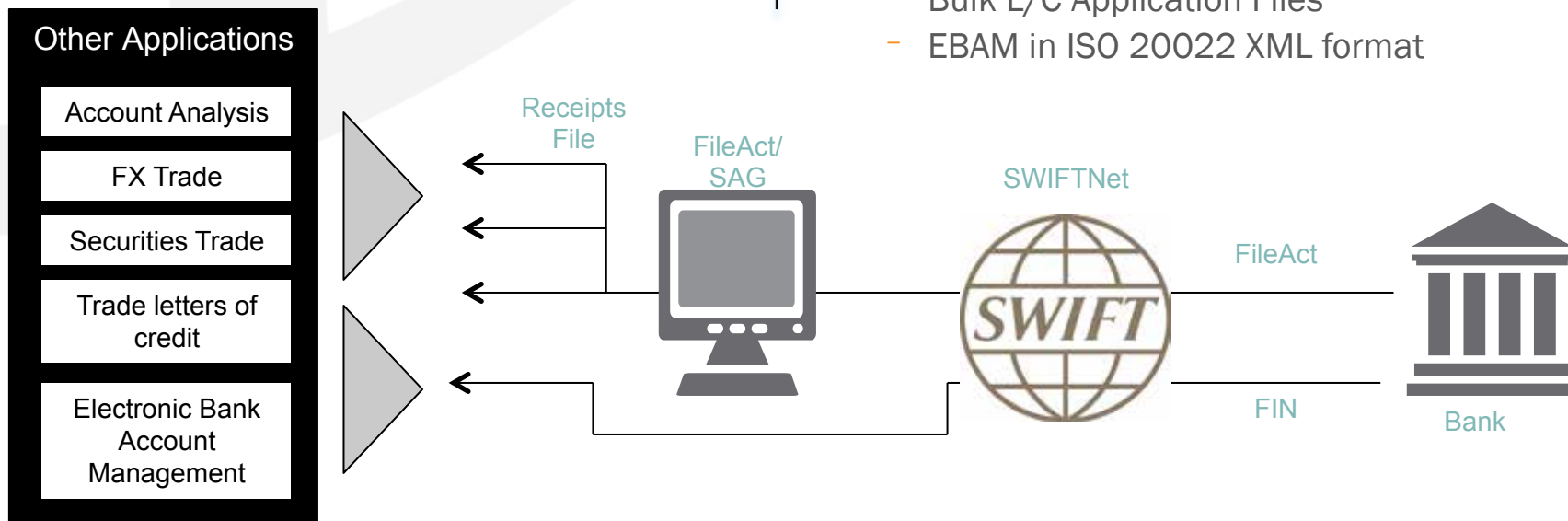


FIN - Send and receive secure message types

- MT 300 FX Trade Confirmations
- MT 515 Securities Trade Ticket confirms
- MT 798 Trade L/C messages

FileAct - Send and receive files in supported formats

- Account Analysis Statements
- eStatements in PDF format (EOM and ARP)
- Trade and Supply Chain
- Purchase Order Files
- Export Document Files
- Bulk L/C Application Files
- EBAM in ISO 20022 XML format



Defining your own Solution –Connectivity



Complex		Simple	
	Private Infrastructure SWIFT Alliance Gateway	Shared Infrastructure Service Bureau	SWIFT Alliance Lite
Description	Direct connectivity with hardware and software maintained in-house	In-direct connectivity using a third party which manages hardware, software, security and maintenance	Direct connectivity through the web. Hardware, software, security, maintenance owned and operated by SWIFT
Live In	9-12 months	4-6 months	4-6 weeks
Volumes	Unlimited	Unlimited	Targeted to 200 items per day or less
Cost Points	One-time hardware and software purchase; security, maintenance costs; SWIFT annual, monthly and transaction fees; bank fees	Service bureau fees; SWIFT annual, monthly and transaction fees; bank fees	Reduced SWIFT annual, monthly and transaction fees; bank fees

Getting Started



Important Considerations

- Implementations timelines vary from weeks to years
- Implementation approaches vary
- Small “phases” may help achieve benefits faster

Beware of pitfalls

- Not all banks support all SWIFT services
- Standards are often just suggestions
- Formats: i.e. BAI has more detail than SWIFT FIN messages (MT940/MT942)
- Don't try to do too much at once i.e. Big Bang
- Don't forget to use your resources: peers



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SWIFT Service Bureau: Key Benefits

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- 1,000+ financial institution clients
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- 1,300+ Employees
- HQ - Jersey City, NJ
- Privately owned by GTCR: \$9B PE firm

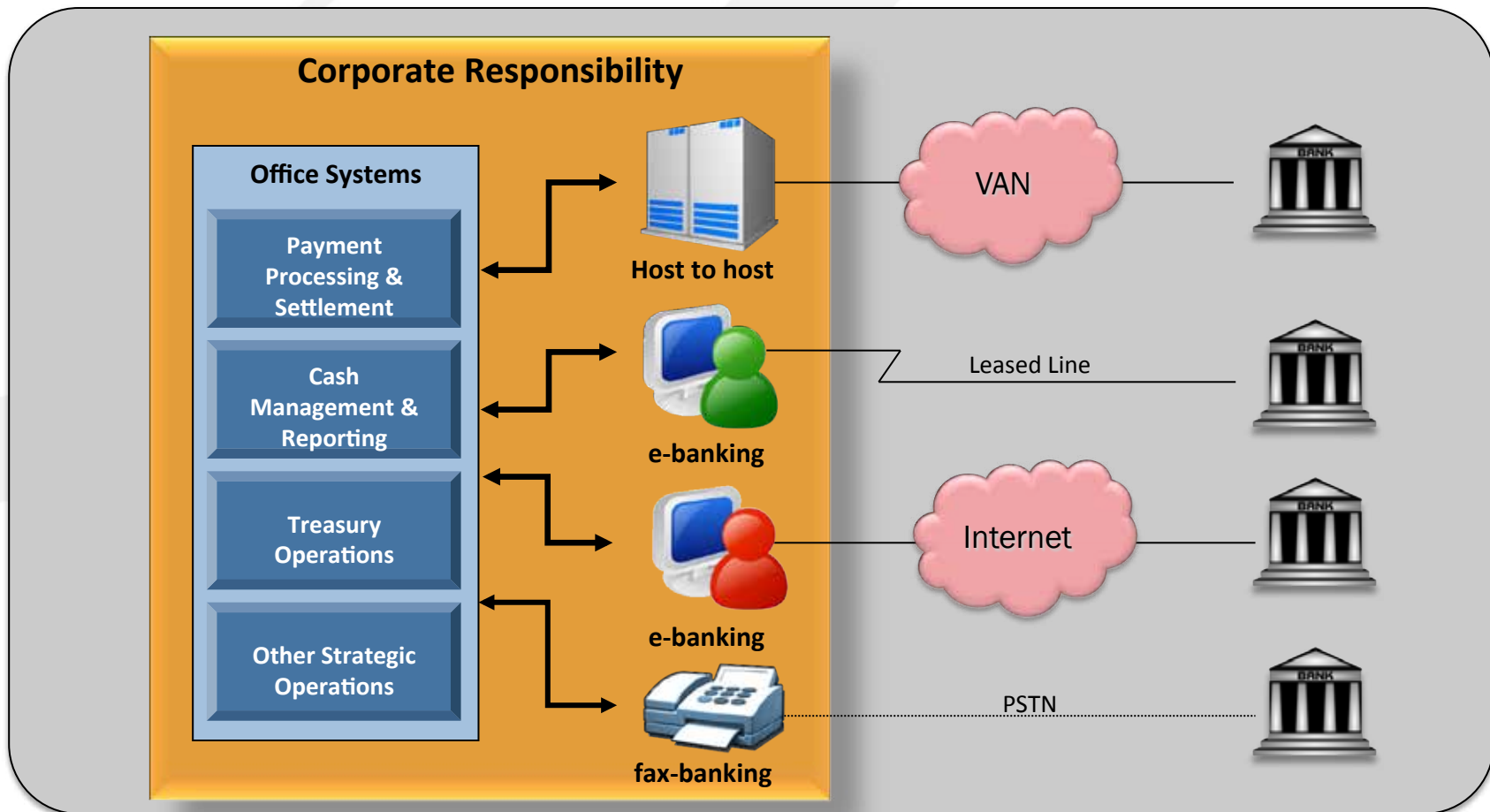
About the Fundtech SWIFT Bureau Services

- World's largest SWIFT Service Bureau provider
- Supports 250+ Financial Institutions, and over 70 Corporates
- Data centers in North America, Switzerland, UK

Typical Corporate-to-Bank Connection Model



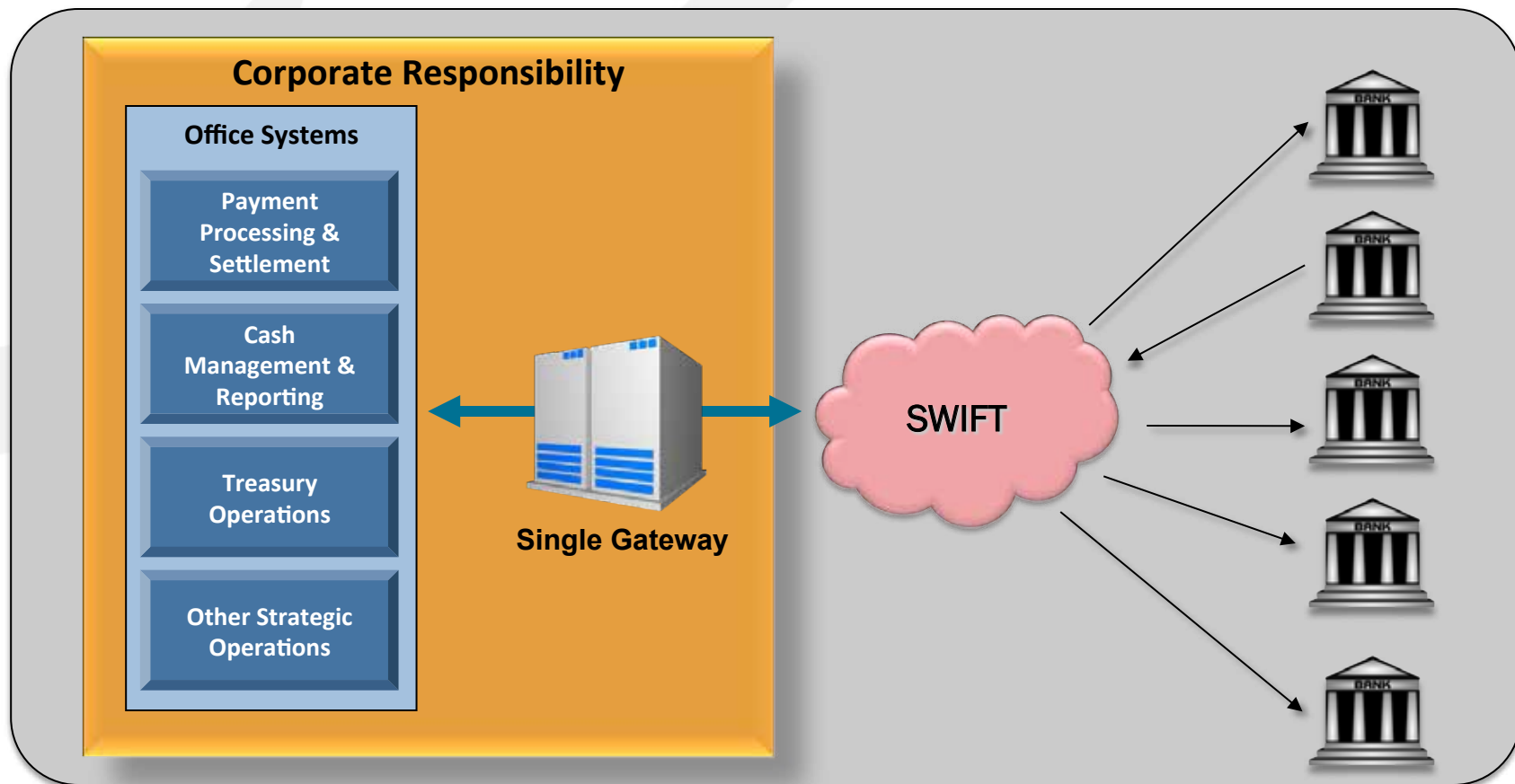
Corporate responsible for multiple protocols, standards & systems.



SWIFT Connection Model



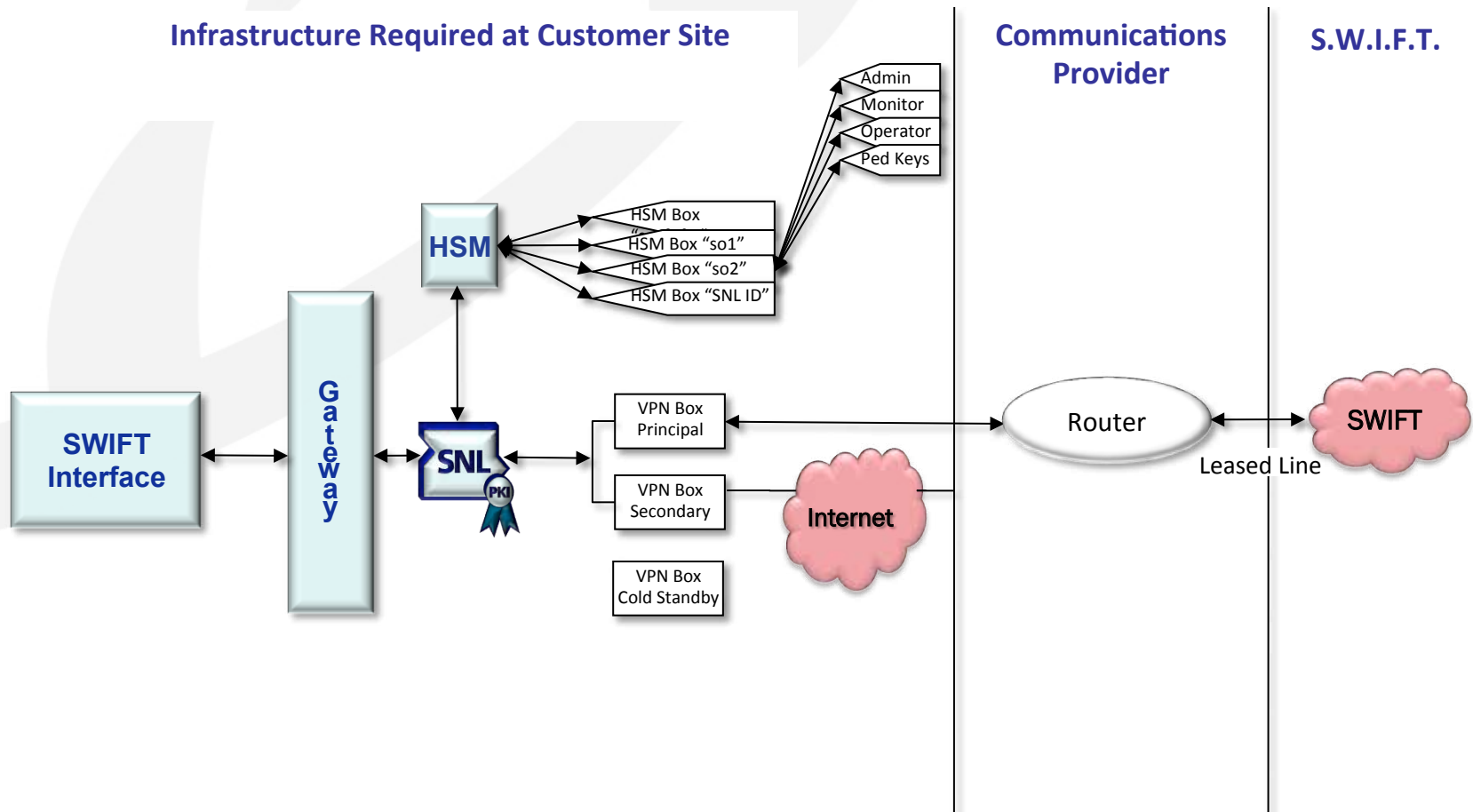
*SWIFT provides a single channel for multi-bank communications
.....but the corporate is still responsible for operations and maintenance*



Direct Connectivity: In-House Infrastructure



Infrastructure Required at Customer Site



Note: similar infrastructure would also need to be duplicated for backup.

The Remaining Problem?

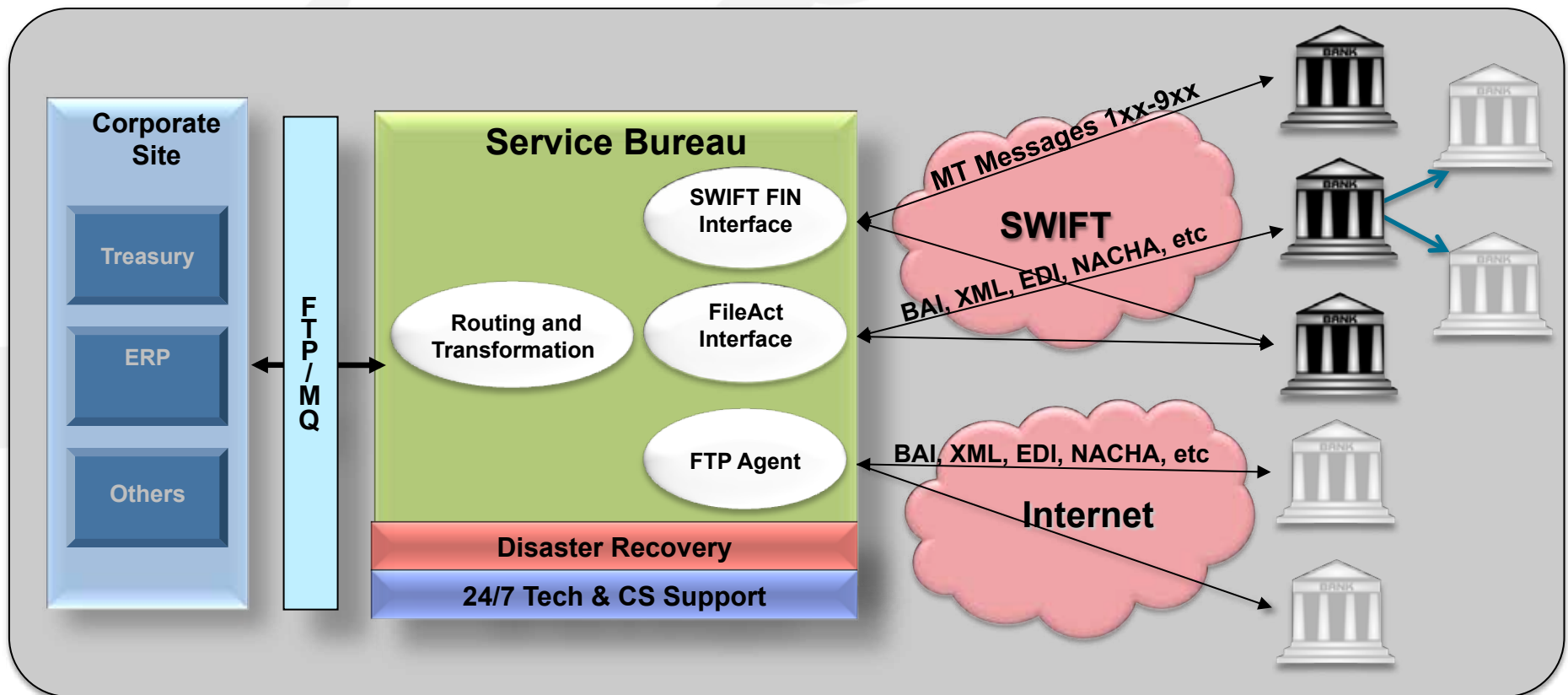


- SWIFT connectivity infrastructure is expensive to maintain and operate
 - Both a primary and secondary/DR infrastructure
 - Plus, any additional services that may be required in the future, such as message transformation, upgrades, etc.
- Extensive SWIFT and banking knowledge required
 - Corporates do not have this experience in-house
- Requires dedicated personnel for ongoing technical and user support
 - Most corporates only have shared resources in IT and operations
 - Lack of dedicated resources leaves company vulnerable to increased down-times that affect overall treasury operations

Financial Messaging Enabled by Fundtech



A single window to bank connectivity



Service Bureau Model: Benefits



- **Lower total cost of ownership :**
 - Reduces labor and operations costs otherwise used to operate an in-house/direct connection
- **Unified Processing Architecture to all SWIFT network services and capabilities**
 - Interfaces to FIN, FileAct, Interact/MX, Browse services
 - All SWIFT message types: MT101, MT940, etc., and non-SWIFT: EDI, BAI, XML, etc.
 - Message conversion, mapping, destination logic
- **SWIFT expertise and experience, including:**
 - General guidance
 - Expert project management and implementation services
 - Bank-specific best practice
- **Rapid deployment / Time to Benefit**
 - Using Service Bureau's existing expertise and infrastructure
- **Security, Reliability, Availability**
 - Ongoing support for disaster recovery, upgrades, standard changes and general maintenance
 - Hosted in secure data centers with "always production ready", redundant disaster recovery locations
- **Additional services readily available when/if needed:**
 - Long-term Message Archival
 - Compliance/OFAC Checking
 - Direct Bank Connectivity to non-SWIFT Banks

The Implementation Process

Implementation General Approach



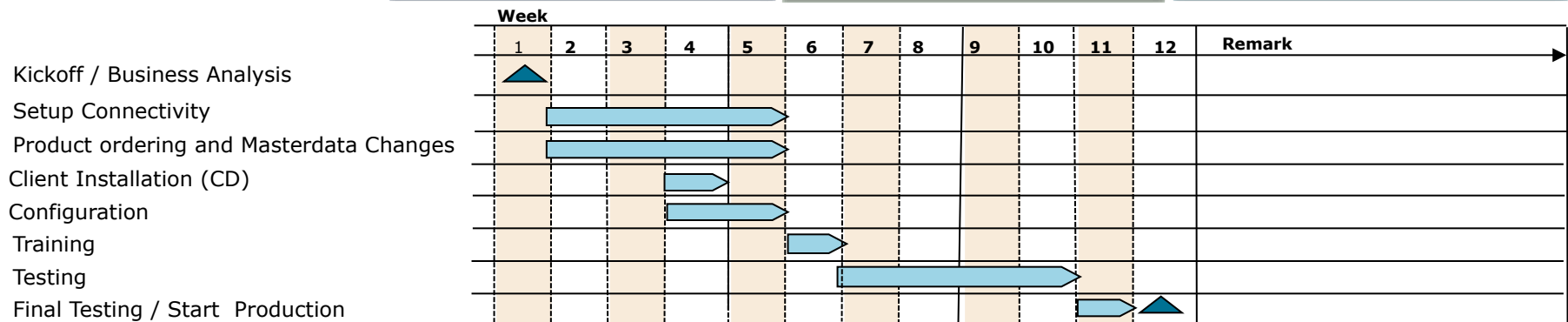
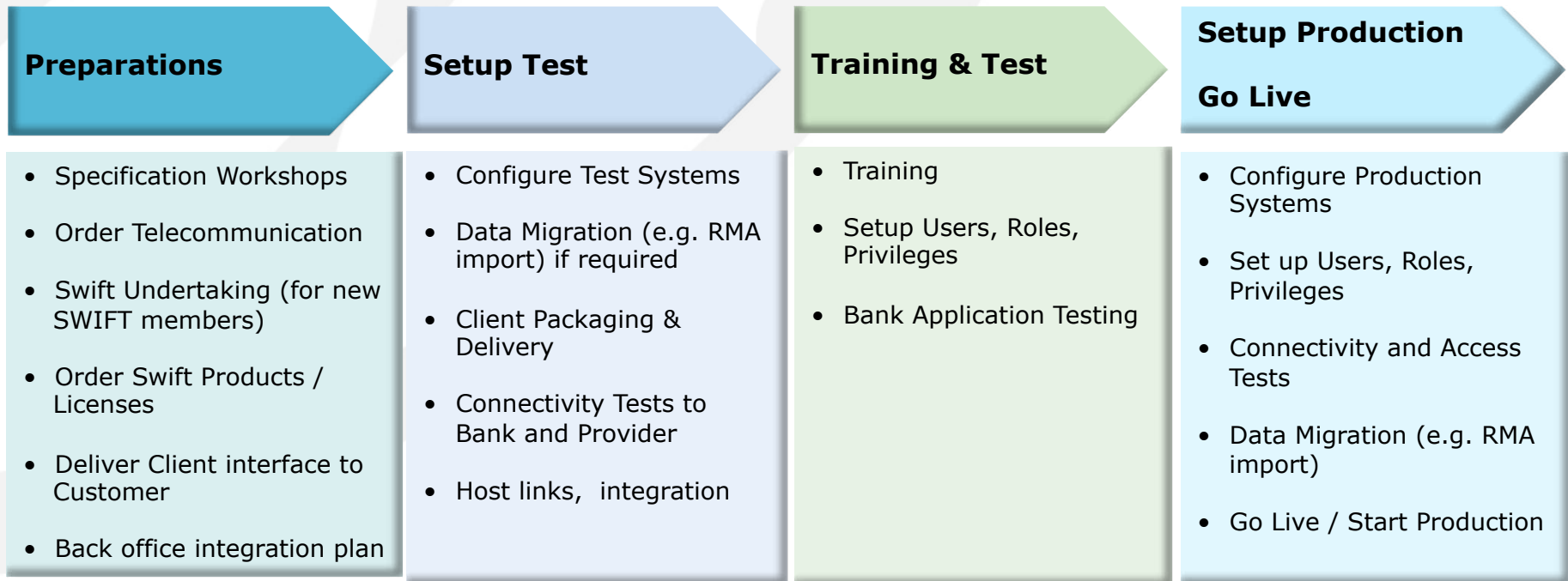
- The general timeframe for setting up the basics and the first “pipeline” is 8 weeks, which assumes:
 - Simple workflow(s)
 - Straight-through-processing
 - One or two banking partners
- Best Practices Project Management
 - Certified Project Managers (PMP®)
 - Standard Project Management Methodologies (PMBOK®)
 - With Standard Project Deliverables/Milestones

Implementation General Approach



- The Project Manager will typically manage, monitor and control through key deliverables which include:
 - Project Roles, Responsibilities and Contacts
 - Project Assumptions, Risks, Issues, and Constraints
 - Project Requirements Traceability Matrix
 - Project Decision Log
 - Project Activities List
- The Project Manager will facilitate a Project Call
 - Generally set up every-other week or weekly
 - Includes review of Activities list, any other updated Project “Collateral” such as Decision Log

Implementation Methodology



Implementation Project Structure



■ Project Structure Recommendation:

- First a Pilot Bank or set of banks
- Followed by a rolling program of on boarding.
- Pilot establishes system integration to the Bureau and to SWIFT and allows a learning curve for the on boarding of subsequent Banks in an efficient manner.
- FIN and FileAct are executed in separate paths

■ FIN Specifics

- On boarding a new Bank with FIN is transparent to the Service Bureau.
- The customer uses the Bureau's RMA utility to exchange authorisations with the Bank and is then free to exchange FIN messages.

■ FileAct Specifics

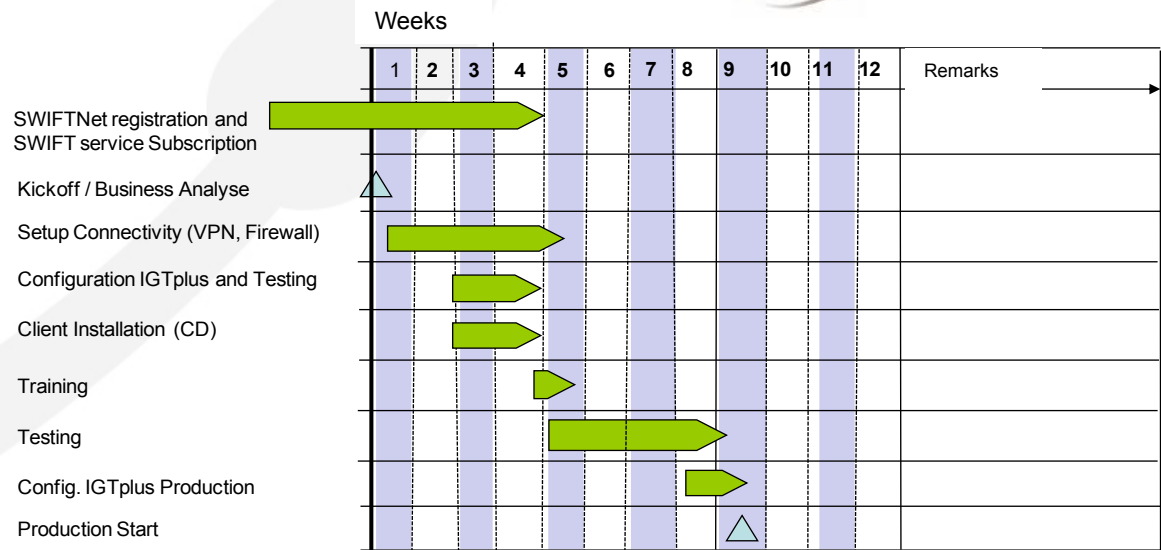
- On boarding a new Bank with TFA is transparent to the Service Bureau if the "parameter file" option is used.
- If the "directory scan" option is used, then coordination with the Service Bureau (via HD or the PM) is required to establish the folder structure and file transfer process.

Sample SWIFT SB implementation FIN and FileAct



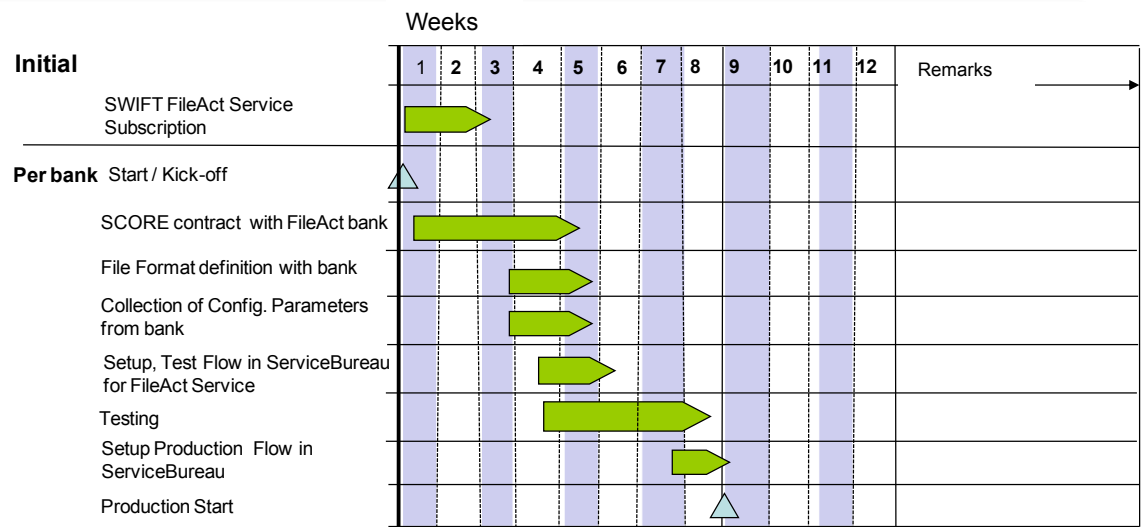
Base setup (SWIFT FIN and FileAct) and roll-out treasury payments, cash and liquidity (SWIFT FIN)

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Roll-out commercial payments (FileAct) per bank

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Case Studies

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- A leading global technology and services company
- Headquartered in Austin, TX
- Revenue: \$62+B

Dell Treasury

- Goal/Strategy: balance centralization with local execution to optimize activities across the globe and proximity to the business
- Focus on corporate-wide and strategic needs to optimize results
- ~35 global team members
- ~700+ bank accounts globally and ~70 Banking partners

The Strategic Opportunity



Drivers

 **Cost Reductions**

Controls 



Technology

Globalization

Efficiency

Standardization

Strategic Direction

- Centralized Bank Data
- Consolidated Treasury tools
- Centralized Payment factories
- Enterprise Wide Visibility
- Reduction of IT interfaces
- Reduction of paper
- Straight-Through-Processing
- Eliminate duplication of effort
- Single, standard connection point through the SWIFT network

Why SWIFT?



- Single highly secure, reliable alternative to multiple proprietary bank portals
- Standard communication protocols
- Bank agnostic standard
- Quickly manage the connectivity of banking relationships

SWIFT Approach



- **Connection Options Considered:**
 - Direct: In-House Connection
 - Indirect: SWIFT Service Bureau

- **Final Approach Taken:**
 - Indirect connection, using a SB to:
 - Reduce upfront and ongoing costs
 - Expedite time to implement
 - Gain additional SWIFT Expertise
 - Ongoing support
 - Transformations
 - 3rd party middleware
 - Integrated existing tools
 - TWS
 - ERP
 - Leverage in-house project managers coordinating project, banking relationships, 3rd party vendors, testing and production.

Recommendations



- Set your Treasury Vision
- The consideration of Swift should be taken in as part of a holistic approach to technology in Treasury
- Look for fast return on investment
 - Set the foundation of Swift
 - Then build on that foundation with functionality phases
- Do your homework; go to Seminars, webinar, conferences; benchmark with those that have done Swift implementations

Connecting is as easy as 1,2,3

1. Engage a Service Bureau
 - Enables low cost quick connectivity
 - Leverage expertise
 - Setup (enroll, documentation, etc...)
 - PM with Banks
 - RMA exchange; etc
2. Focus first exclusively on Electronic Bank Statements (MT940/42s)
 - Consolidated bank views
 - Leverage your consolidation Banks; Sling your raw MTs
3. Define Balance Reporting (Either purchase or prototype with MS toolsets)
 - Concentration views
 - Bank
 - Currency
 - Country
 - Liquidity views
 - Change in balances
 - » Day over day
 - » Month Over Month
 - » QTR over QTR
 - » Year over Year



Q&A & Wrap-Up



Q&A

Upcoming SWIFT-Related Events



- 1. SWIFT for the Corporate Treasurer**
May 17, 2012
New York, NY
<http://seminar0512.eventbrite.com/>
- 2. Global Treasury Foundations and Technologies for the New Normal**
May 31, 2012
Cupertino, CA
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- 3. AFP Annual Conference**
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