



Payment systems in Slovakia

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Payment systems operated by the NBS

- Large-value payment system TARGET2-SK performes real-time gross settlement as part of the Eurosystem LVPS TARGET2
- Slovak Interbank Payment System SIPS
 - sole retail payment system in Slovakia



TARGET2-SK

- Since 2009 operated by the NBS
- > By the end of 2014 33 participants
 - 30 direct participants
 - 3 ancillary systems (SIPS, CDCP Slovakia's central securities depository, First Data Slovakia, s.r.o)



TARGET2 – SK - statistics

In 2014

- ➤ Processed 256,000 transactions with total value over €667 billion
- > Average daily traffic
 - by number 1,004 transactions
 - by value almost €2.6 billion
- In comparison with 2013 T2-SK traffic decreased by 20% in number (64,000 trans) and increased by 5.7% (€37.6 billion)



Slovak Interbank Payment System (SIPS)

- SIPS retail payment system for domestic and cross-border SEPA payments
- Clears payments through multiple clearing cycles
- Resulting cash positions undergo final settlement in T2-SK
- From November, 4 SIPS provides full compatibility for SEPA payment instruments (NBS became a direct participant STEP2) so by that date provides of processing SCT and SDD (domestic and cross-border payments)
- Since January 1, 2016 SIPS is going to process B2B transactions that enables direct debits of legal persons



Slovak Interbank Payment System (SIPS) - statistics

In 2014

- > By the end of 2014 25 participants
- Processed almost 194 million transactions with total value of more than €185,881 billion
- The volume of transactions increased year-on-year by 1.21% and the value rose by 4.2%
 - Increase in value was caused mainly by introducing new functionality to process cross-border payments (share of cross border payments was 15.36% in value and 4.52% in number)



Innovative payments in Slovakia

Contactless payments (P2B)

Contactless payment cards – prepaid/debit, stickers or dematerialised cards (mobile applications)

In case of mobile applications:

- MasterCard
 - with specific PSP MasterCardMobile app as "virtual purse" (payments by reading the QR code)
 - with mobile operator (as payment institution) MyWallet (NFC SIM) as prepaid card
- > VISA
 - with all mobile operators Wave2Pay (NFC HCE technology)
- Individual solutions of specific bank with two mobile operators for iOS: iCarte with iPhone; for Android: NFC SIM solution



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Contactless payments (P2P)

- > Solution of three PSPs with mobile operator (as data carrier):
 - VIAMO P2P payments (payments to mobile phone number) or P2B payments (QR codes)
- ☐ Other solutions (only P2P payments):
- > PSP with mobile operator (as data carrier)
 - App and SMS message
- > PSP and mobile operator (business agreement between them)
 - SMS message or message to Facebook
 - iOS, Android or access to internet banking
- ✓ In all cases payer must be client of particular PSP



Innovative payments in Slovakia

Slovakia – one of the leaders in contactless payments in European Union

- ➤ Almost 57% of POS terminals are compatible with contactless payment cards
- Number of contactless cards increased by almost 50% and by the year-end accounted for 64% of all payment cards
- ➤ In 2014 number of contactless transactions was almost 2.5 times higher (50.5 million) than in 2013 (21 million)



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