

# Voice Biometrics Opus iA Conference

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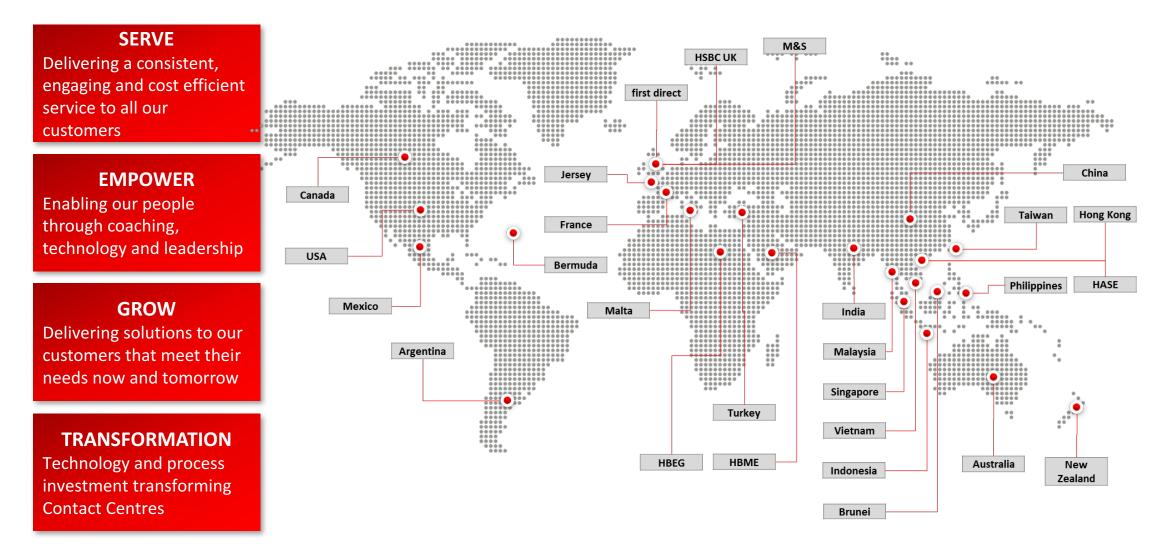
- Investor Update June 2015 set out strategic actions to further reshape, resize and simplify our business to redeploy resources to focus on growth opportunities
- Through these actions we're adapting to changes in the external business and regulatory environment, helping achieve our mediumterm financial target
- One action to resize and simplify is to deliver USD 4.5-5 billion in cost savings, we're now expecting to achieve annualised saves of USD 6 billion by end of 2017
  - We're achieving this by putting customers first and doing what's best for them, Digitising the bank and optimising our network footprint and our people
  - Using technology to give a better experience, making it easier to access and manage their money through Digital and our human assisted channels
  - Making it easier for colleagues to do their jobs, including using technology to remove repetitive and manual tasks so we can spend more time helping customers





### **RBWM Global Contact Centre Business**

Empowering our 16,000 people to drive customer satisfaction and digital transformation



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# Voice ID – simplifying customer identification and verification through biometrics

Improving customer experience, reducing cost and risk exposure

- No usable authentication system, including biometrics, is invincible.
  Biometrics are probability based, analysing many unique characteristics
- To realise both customer and risk benefits we designed customer journeys and a multi-layered authentication strategy with 2 independent voice biometric verification solutions and a fraud detection layer
- Collaboration from day 1 across Business, Customer Experience, Operations, Risk, Compliance, IT, HR, Marketing and Nuance teams



### **Voice ID Components**

**IVR – VocalPassword** – within a new enrolment IVR, customers repeat the same phrase (e.g. 'my voice is my password') between 3 and 5 times to create a voice print. In some markets customers choose the passphrase language.

On subsequent IVR calls customers are prompted to repeat the phrase to complete verification rather than input a PIN or answer security questions



**Non-IVR – FreeSpeech** – used by contact centres without an IVR (e.g. first direct) and when a call is transferred from an IVR to an agent. Voice prints created during a minimum 2 calls with agents, no need for customers to take any new action. Subsequent verification completed during natural conversation with agents without the need to ask any password characters, significantly reducing need for memorable security questions.

A verification decision is received typically between 5 and 10 seconds of callers net speech

#### **Fraud Detection**

- Background Model (BGM) checks the callers voice to both the customer's voice print and to a representation of all of the voices held on the BGM to provide a verification decision
- Channel Playback and Footprint Algorithms help reduce risk of recorded playback of the IVR VocalPassword passphrase
  - FraudMiner provides configurable real time and offline checks of callers against known fraudster call recordings
  - Increased data feeds to existing HSBC fraud detection systems



# Voice ID is much more than just technology and speech science



Cultural change and communication are key to explain

- PIN/Passwords Vs probability based biometrics authentication
- Achieving balance between ease of use and improved security controls
  - False Accept and False Reject rates
- Courage needed with a False Accept, remember overall customer, risk and financial benefits
- Importance of training, procedures and communications to explain biometrics confidently to customers and respond to press and other media biometric coverage
  - Learn from each one and update customer and employee communications
  - Sustained multi media campaigns
- New operating model, roles and accountabilities to optimise performance
  - Reporting, analysis, actionable insight and clear governance
  - Recalibration across the end to end solution
  - Translate speech science, simplify language and performance forecast



### Voice ID

Getting it right is worth the effort, time and investment

### **CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE**

Ease and speed to enrol and verify with added security More likely to recommend

### EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT

Less frustrating and lengthy failure handling More engaging conversations REDUCED COST Increased Self-Service Less failed verification Reduced calls and handle time

### **REDUCED FRAUD**

Telephone fraud reducing, volume and value

29% FreeSpeech enrolled customers represent 63% of inbound call verifications, immediate frequent caller benefit

Higher volume IVR calls successfully verified by VocalPassword is 11% and increasing

4.4m successful UK Voice ID verifications since September 2016 launch

HK launched March 2017, US April 2017

Deployments continue to more markets, Global Businesses and Functions to leverage investment

A key step to improving customer journeys across channels

