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A quick update...

As most of you know by now, the Steering Committee has approved a revised implementation plan, whereby we would prioritise the stabilisation of the production environment by the end of January 2018. This included the deployment of bug fixes and full core functionality. The banks have all communicated their individual timelines for code deployment and we're on target to commence with the revised test plans. Penny-testing between the various friends of the program will continue.

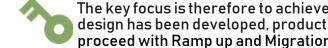
Parallel to this initiative, banks have been working on the rules and migration plan requirements and all are track to have completed the migration technical specifications as per this revised implementation plan.

Over the next couple of months all our activity will be categorised as depicted below:



This plan in principle:

- Reduces the instability experienced in production by focusing all resources and effort on stabilisation of the core assets already in production for a period of time.
- Places a high priority on addressing and reducing the number of production incidents.
- Mitigates against future production instability by placing renewed focus and rigour on testing through a re-designed testing approach, which will start anew for ALL assets on 5 February 2018 and run until completed by end of July.
- Facilitates the scenario where elements that are proven in testing, can be moved from UAT to full production if participants are satisfied with testing results and are confident that unmanageable stability problems, will not be introduced again.
- Provides for a new test approach that is fundamentally different in the sense that it compels ALL participants to follow the same testing programme step-by-step.



The key focus is therefore to achieve a stable environment where all the functionality as per the full design has been developed, productionalised and operationalised. This will enable the industry to proceed with Ramp up and Migration, with an increase level of confidence.

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