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Masterclass on Digital Currency / Retail CBDC

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Agenda

□ What is central bank digital currency (CBDC) and how does it compare to other digital currency/money (e-money, commercial bank money, crypto-assets, stable coins, etc.)?

□ Which central banks are exploring CBDC, why and how, and at what stages of development?

□ A deep dive into central bank CBDC launch, pilot and exploration motivations, design considerations and risk management. Risk management includes mitigating the risk that CBDC over-competes and disintermediates the banks and other financial sector participants.

□ A detailed review of the launches and pilots to date, including the RBI's.

□ A high-level view of the technology choices being made (centralised versus distributed ledgers, offline access, etc.).