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We're really excited to announce the first FinTech20 list for Ireland. As you many know the [FinTech50](http://fintechcity.com/) is a global concept that has grown and grown over the last 4 years. There is now a regular European FinTech50, on for the UK, India, Hong Kong and now! Ireland.

If you would like to submit your FinTech company for consideration see [here](http://irishtechnews.net/ITN3/fintech-20-ireland-apply/) for more details.

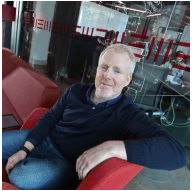
Why only 20 then for Ireland's first list?

For 2016 we want to ensure that Ireland's first list showcases the very best of what we have to offer in Ireland. For this reason we have assembled a top panel to consider, debate and ultimately shortlist the top Irish FinTech companies. We're optimistic that the list will be such a success that for 2017 many more companies will come to the panel's notice to be included. We're intentionally aiming for this list to be a lightning rod for all that is good and impressive about the Irish FinTech scene.

Who is on the panel?

We've pulled from the best and the brightest of those involved in the Irish banking, financial services, fintech innovation, incubators, accelerators and venture capitalists. Naturally we're not looking for

people to vote for their own pet projects, and for this reason we aimed to have as wide a panel as possible. We're delighted with the range and excellence of those who have kindly agreed to help us curate this first list.



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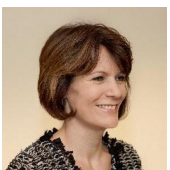
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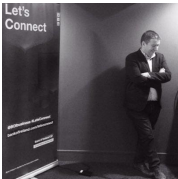
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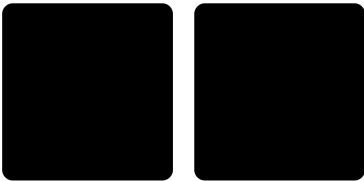
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