Risks and efficiency gains of a tiered structure in large-value payments: simulation approach

<u>Discussion</u>

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TIERING OVERVIEW

- Study of risks and benefits in CHAPS Sterling highly tiered system:
 - 14 CHAPS Sterling settlement members
 - around 340 UK-resident banks!!!
- Importance of tiering studies for low tiered LVPS?
 - LVPS in Latvia all resident banks direct participants



MAIN RISKS IN TIERING

Credit risks:

- Settlement bank:
 - Direct impact on second-tier banks
 - degree of tiering leading to systemic risk?
- Second-tier bank:

- Credit problems of second-tier bank may spill over first-tier bank (possibility, impact?)

- Oversight measures from first-tier banks (secured or non-secured intraday settlements?)



MAIN RISKS IN TIERING

Operational risks:

• Settlement bank:

- inability of one or multiple settlement banks to send and receive payments (tiering concentration)

• Second-tier bank:

- impact and probability of one or multiple secondtier banks operational problems to settlement bank?

• Central payment processing infrastructure?



QUESTIONS

- 1. Are there researched out of CHAPS system or correspondent banking impact on changes in tiering?
- 2. Evaluations for tiering concentration impact on systemic risk?