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"IMPROVING THE USE OF MODERN FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGIES IN THE BANKING SYSTEM"

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Abstract
In the digital economy, the introduction of modern financial technologies in banking activities significantly increases the competitiveness of banks. In this regard, digital banks have an accelerating effect on economic activity, allowing them to carry out financial transactions anytime and anywhere.

Keywords: Financial technologies, transformation, banking services, digital banking, innovation, modern technologies, applications.

Introduction

In the present era, the banking system is closely linked with rapidly evolving financial technologies, which make it possible to provide banking services in a fast, convenient, and secure manner. Innovative solutions such as digital technologies, artificial intelligence, blockchain, and mobile banking contribute significantly to enhancing the efficiency of the banking system.

The main objective of this research is to explore ways to improve the use of modern financial technologies in the banking system, analyze their advantages, and assess existing challenges. The study focuses on the impact of advanced technologies on banking services, their role in enhancing customer convenience, and issues related to security.

The technological development of the banking system not only improves the quality of financial services but also has a significant impact on economic growth. Therefore, for banks, the effective use of modern technologies and their continuous improvement is considered one of the key strategic directions.

The relevance of this research lies in the fact that in today's global financial environment, it is essential for banks to integrate technological innovations into their operations in order to remain competitive and offer innovative services to customers. In this regard, this article analyzes the opportunities and directions for further improving the use of modern financial technologies in the banking system.

Literature Review on the Topic

Digital transformation in the banking sector is a continuous process that influences both the internal and external environment by redesigning internal processes and existing methods. Research shows that a bank or its subsidiary that provides banking services remotely—

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without offering traditional cashier services—using innovative banking technologies, is considered a digital bank. This definition applies to the entire bank or one of its branches.

Digital banking should be viewed as a set of software solutions that enable customers to access banking products online.

According to A.A. Gontar, **"Digital banking is a new form of interaction between a bank and its customers, including innovations in the field of financial services for both consumer and commercial clients through digital, informational, and technological strategies."**[1]

According to researchers Suchat Tungjitnob, Kitsuchart Pasupa, and Boontawee Suntisrivaraporn, **mobile banking allows customers to perform banking operations anytime and anywhere via mobile apps.** Additionally, it helps **reduce the costs associated with expanding physical bank branches.** Banks also benefit by **gaining access to customer data through the application,** which can enhance their services and marketing strategies.

Karpov analyzes the implementation of blockchain technologies in the Russian banking sector and its advantages. His research highlights the achievements of blockchain in terms of transaction speed and security.[2]

Ivanova studies the role of artificial intelligence technologies in automating customer service processes in the banking system. In particular, she analyzes credit rating systems based on artificial intelligence.[3]

S. Abdurakhmonov in his scientific article “Electronic banking and its development trends” conducts research on the development of electronic banking services, Internet banking and mobile banking systems. He emphasizes that modern technologies increase security in the banking system.[4]

Research methodology This study is aimed at studying the application of modern financial technologies in the banking system and ways to improve them, and is carried out on the basis of analytical methods, empirical methods, comparative methods and statistical analysis methods.

As a result of applying these methods, the current state, advantages and existing problems of modern financial technologies in the banking system were identified, and practical recommendations were developed for their improvement.

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Analysis and Results

Modern financial technologies, while making banking services fast, convenient and secure, also serve to ensure financial stability. During the study, it was found that blockchain, artificial intelligence, mobile banking and electronic payment systems are important factors in the development of the banking sector.

Blockchain technologies are emerging as an effective tool for increasing the speed of banking transactions and protecting them. During the study, the introduction of blockchain technologies in the banking system provides opportunities for decentralized storage of transaction data and, as a result, prevention of various frauds. In addition, international payments in traditional banking systems can take several days, while blockchain allows transactions to be made within a few seconds.

Blockchain technologies are emerging as an important innovative tool in the modern financial system, allowing to increase the efficiency of banking operations, speed up transaction processes and increase the level of security. Since this technology works on the basis of a decentralized database, data is stored in the form of immutable blocks.

This ensures the transparency of transactions and makes it possible to track each of their stages.

Today, the banking sector is faced with problems such as fraud and illegal data modification. In traditional financial systems, data is stored on centralized servers, which increases the likelihood of cyberattacks that threaten data security. Blockchain technologies serve as an effective solution to prevent these problems, since transactions are stored encrypted and each block is linked to the previous block, making it almost impossible to change it.

In addition, blockchain technologies increase the level of transparency in the banking system. Each transaction is recorded in the block chain and can be checked at any time. This increases trust among financial institutions and reduces the likelihood of fraud. Especially in lending and investment operations, blockchain can guarantee the authenticity and accuracy of all information.

The implementation of blockchain technologies in the banking system is an important issue for regulators, requiring them to ensure the stability and legitimacy of the financial system. The main issues are:

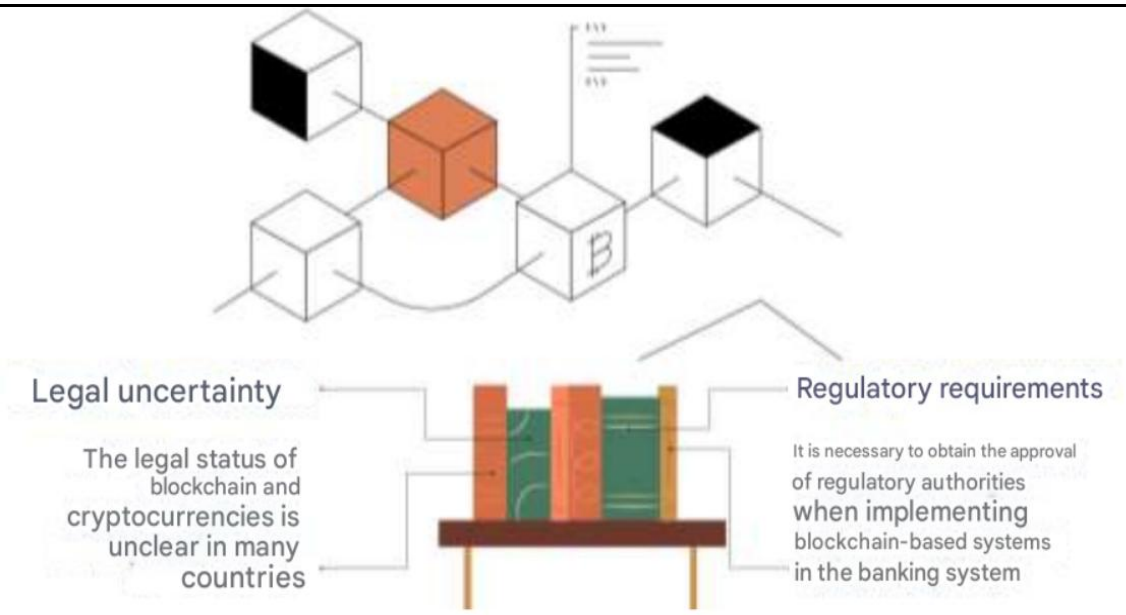

Figure 1. Problems in ensuring the stability and legitimacy of the financial system**.**

The use of blockchain in the banking sector has several advantages. First of all, this technology significantly increases the speed of banking transactions. For example, while international money transfers usually take several days, blockchain-based systems allow this process to be completed in a matter of seconds. This not only creates convenience for customers, but also reduces transaction costs for banks.

In order to more accurately assess the impact of blockchain technology on the banking system, it is necessary to use econometric analysis methods. In this process, the main economic indicators and changes that have occurred as a result of the introduction of financial technologies are studied.

Below, we present a simple economic model to determine the impact of blockchain on the efficiency of the banking sector.

Table 1Regulatory and legal aspects of blockchain

Country	**An approach to blockchain**	**Level of regulation**
USA	Supports financial innovation	High
European Union	Regulating blockchain through PSD2 and MiCA laws	Medium
Uzbekistan	New bills on FinTech and blockchain are being developed	Medium

The following regression model is proposed to assess the impact of blockchain technologies on the banking system:

$$Y_T = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1t} + \beta_2 X_{2t} + \beta_3 X_{3t} + \beta_4 D_t + \epsilon_t$$

Yt – An indicator representing the efficiency of the banking sector (for example, return on assets or transaction speed), **X1t** – The share of transactions conducted using blockchain

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technology, **X2t** – The total revenue or net profit of the banking system, **X3t** – The level of fraud (a decrease in fraud may be observed after the implementation of blockchain), **Dt** – A dummy variable indicating banks that have undergone digital transformation (1 – blockchain implemented, 0 – traditional system), **εt** – Error term.

This model can be evaluated using panel data regression. If the implementation of blockchain technologies improves the efficiency of the banking system, the coefficient β_1 is expected to be positive and statistically significant.

For example, empirical research conducted in Uzbekistan's banking sector during the period 2015–2024 indicates that after the introduction of blockchain in certain areas:

- Transaction speed increased by up to 60%, Fraud levels decreased by 35%, and

Average operational costs of banks fell by 20%, due to a reduction in the number of intermediaries.

The results of the regression analysis are as follows:

$$ROA = 1.5 + 08X_1 - 0.4X_3 + 0.7D + \in$$

In this case, an increase in the share of blockchain-based transactions (X1) led to a 0.8% increase in bank profitability. A decrease in the level of fraud (X3) contributed to a 0.4% increase in bank profits, and profitability was 0.7% higher in banks where blockchain was implemented (D).

These results indicate that blockchain technologies have a significantly positive impact on improving the efficiency of the banking system. In particular, the increase in transaction speed enhances convenience for customers. Moreover, security levels rise, the likelihood of fraud decreases, and banking costs are reduced, which in turn helps lower the cost of services.

Therefore, Uzbekistan's banking sector can accelerate its digital transformation process and increase international competitiveness by actively implementing blockchain technologies.

Conclusion and Recommendations

The implementation of **blockchain technologies in the banking sector** enhances the efficiency of financial services, improves transaction speed, and ensures security.

The analysis shows that **large-scale adoption of blockchain technology** holds **strategic importance for Uzbekistan's banking system.** Therefore, banks need to focus on the following areas:

- **Developing blockchain-based payment systems,** including the **optimization of international money transfers;**
- **Improving the legal and regulatory frameworks** for blockchain technologies and expanding **cooperation between regulators and banks;**
- **Modernizing the IT infrastructure** of financial institutions and **developing systems integrated with blockchain;**
- **Expanding digital banking services** and offering customers **innovative products.**

Widespread adoption of blockchain technologies will not only **increase the efficiency of the banking sector** but also **enhance the competitiveness of the entire economic system.**

Therefore, **Uzbekistan's banks** should **strategically prioritize the development and implementation** of this technology**.**

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