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Becoming One HSBC







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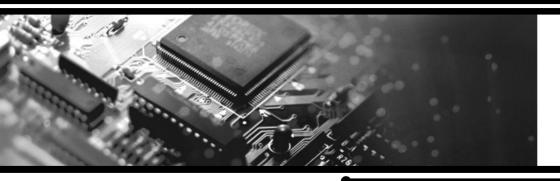
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Building a foundation for change



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Group Managing Director and Group Chief Technology and Services Officer

Addressing the objectives of the Group



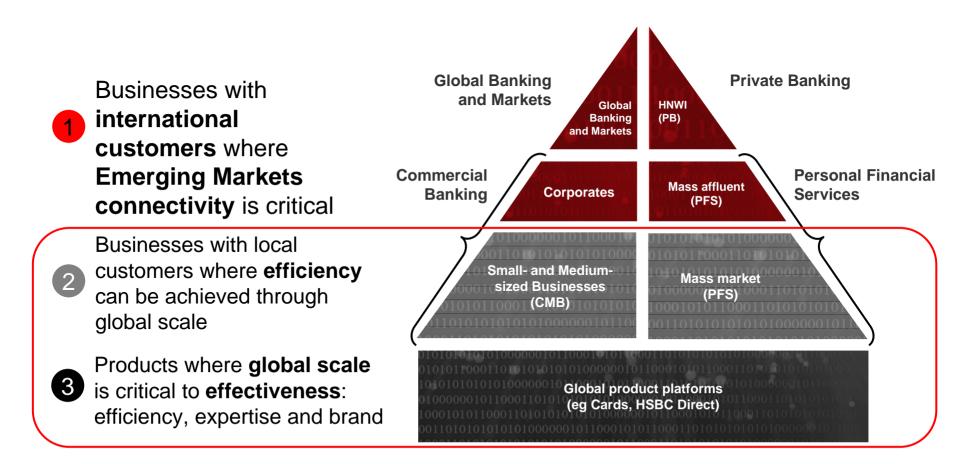


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HSBC Technology and Services (HTS)

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Strategy: delivering superior growth and earnings over time Business models that define our 'right to win'



How we measure the Group

Financial measures	Target range	1H08
Return on total shareholders' equity	15-19% through the cycle	12.1%
Cost efficiency ratio	48-52%	51.0%
Tier 1 capital (Basel II)	7.5-9.0%	8.8%
Total shareholder return	Above peer group average	Top 5

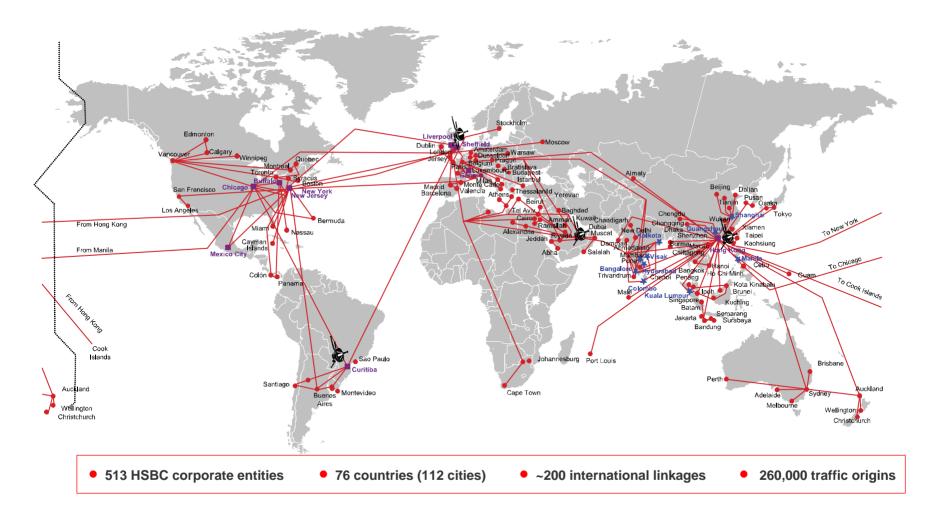
Focus for HTS:

- Leverage world-class technology across group
- Provide unparalleled global connectivity
- Focus on improving cost efficiency

Defining a new leadership position Chief Technology and Services Officer (CTSO)

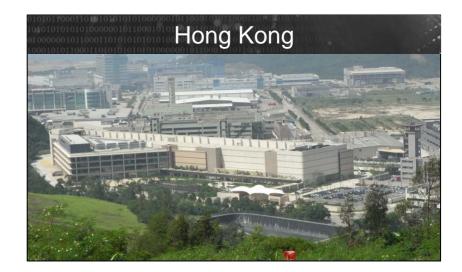
- New position formed on 1 October 2008, integrating the roles of the Chief Operating Officer (COO) and Chief Information Officer (CIO)
- Recognition of a technology-driven focus
- Managing the middle and back offices of the Group (over one-third of FTE)
- Supporting all geographic regions and global businesses
- Ensuring greater discipline in monetising our strategic investments

One of the world's largest, privately operated corporate networks



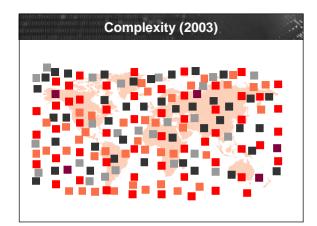
New regional data centres in full production



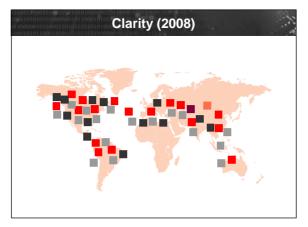




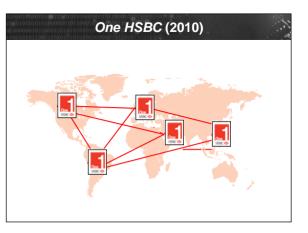
The physical manifestation of Joining Up



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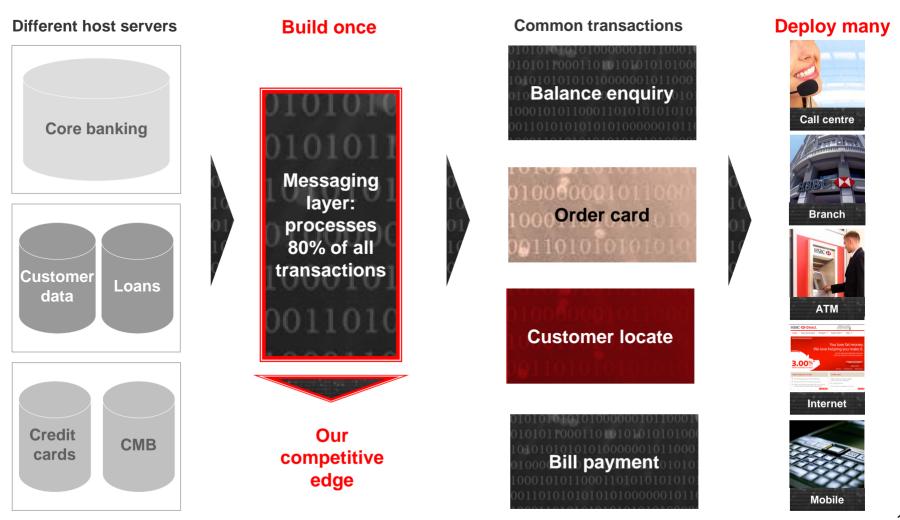


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- 1 desktop standard
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A common messaging layer: more efficient, faster deployments

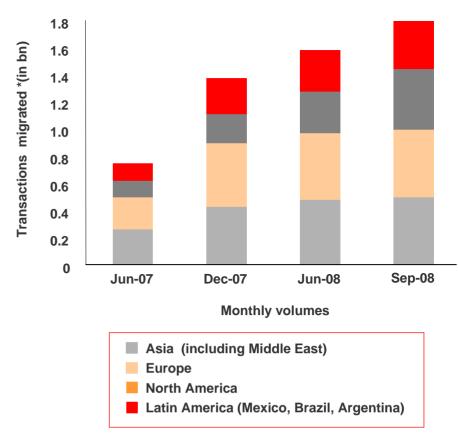


Transactions processed through a common messaging layer

Our competitive edge

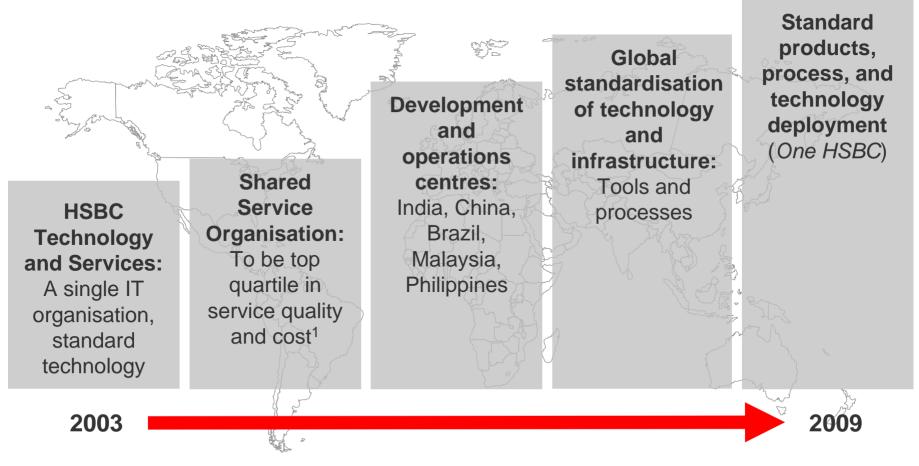
Higher percentage of transactions processed through a common messaging layer:

- Any product
- Any channel
- Any geography



80% of all transactions¹

The foundation of One HSBC



1) Benchmarked annually by independent industry surveys

Development and operations centres Centres of excellence in low cost countries

Global Technology (GLT)

- Grown from 2,400 FTE (YE 2004) to 8,900 (1H08) of a total global development workforce of 21,000 (1H08)
- Participate in development of all Group systems
- Attrition rates of 10%, less than half industry average (21%)
- Skilled participation in development, testing, support, project management, analysis, architecture and finance
- Over 50% of our global development workforce in low cost countries



- Grown from 11,400 FTE (YE 2004) to 33,200 in 2008 (1H08)
- Provides service excellence to 40 HSBC Group companies
- The largest global research team is based out of Bangalore, India
- On a daily basis, the Payments centre handles transactions from 11 regions in 126 currencies
- Expertise from transitioning over 1,000 processes spread across 10 regional entities, varied operating models and service lines

Defining One HSBC



One HSBC



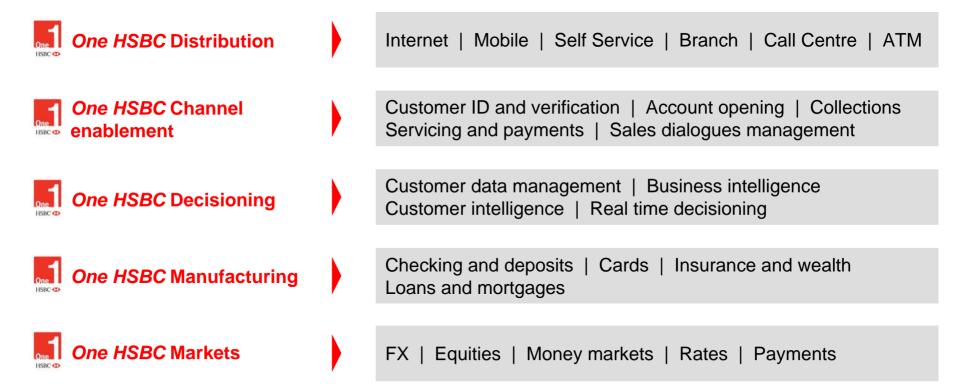
- Re-engineer product and process
- Design rigorous business and technical standards
- Scale for the largest and the smallest countries
- Implement in Group wide releases
- Release in multi-currency, multichannel, multi-language standards

The One HSBC Vision

- One Group, One Goal, One HSBC
- Reduce barriers to entry
- Leverage global distribution capability
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One HSBC process and technology Global platforms



One HSBC products Facilitating compelling customer propositions



 Personal Financial Services: HSBC Premier
 Global service | Multi-country proposition | Single view Unparalleled features

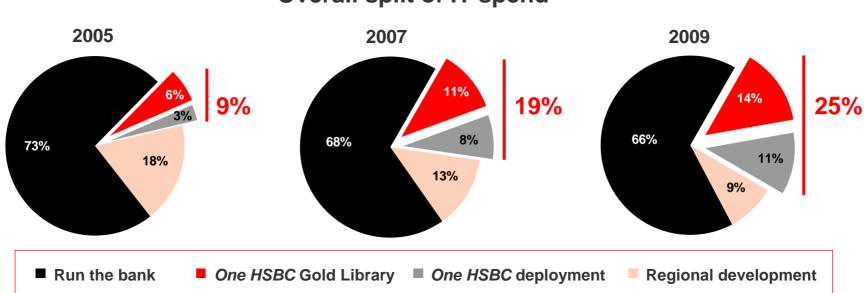
 Commercial Banking: Leading international business
 Global links | Automated forms

 Global Banking and Markets: HSBC*net* E-Treasury | Business intelligence | Sales services

 Global Banking and Markets: Markets
 FX | Equities

Shifting from 'local to global systems' and from 'run the bank to change the bank'





Overall split of IT spend¹

From 2005 to 2009:

- Increase One HSBC spend to 25%
- One HSBC deployment spend to more than treble
- Regional spend decreases as legacy systems retire

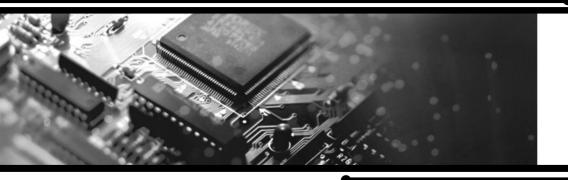
The opportunity the foundation yields Enhanced cost efficiency

- Exploit direct channels and rationalise physical distribution
- Increase automation of manual processes
- Retire of legacy systems and processes
- Improve leverage of offshore development centres
- Transition to 'paperless' environment

Opportunity to achieve hundreds of millions (US \$) in savings from 2009



One HSBC: The power of change



Kevin Newman

One HSBC Director and Group General Manager

Objectives of the programme



- Eliminating the barriers to entry
- Leveraging our global distribution capability
- Improving the customer experience
- Improving cost efficiency

Design guidelines of One HSBC

- · Relentlessly challenge the status quo
- Provide solution at first contact
- Build once, modular and joined up
- ZERO exception processes
- Eliminate the need for back office
- Give the customer options not products
- Eliminate the need for manuals
- Incorporate Test and Learn tactics
- Provide the same tools to customer and staff
- Build green (paperless)

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Eliminating the barriers to entry





- Piecemeal deployments costly
- Re-design and customisation costly
- Customised systems continually require customised upgrades

One HSBC

- Integrates systems into a single 'Gold Suite' package
- Clusters multiple countries in regional implementations
- Provides standardised upgrades that are faster and cheaper
- Enables single deployments for global use
- Deploys 'best in class' capabilities in all markets
- Significantly reduces the cost of entry into a new market

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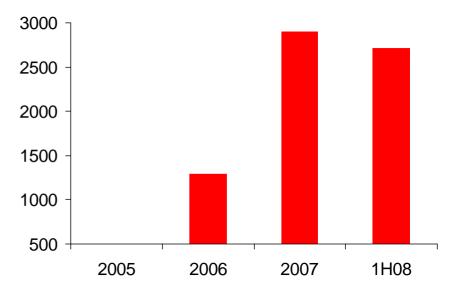
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Leveraging our global distribution capability Commercial Banking

Growth through Global Links

- A common platform for cross-border referrals and streamlined account opening
- In 1H08, cross-border referrals increased 126% in number and 83% in value to US\$5.6bn
- Live in 64 countries



Number of CMB referrals

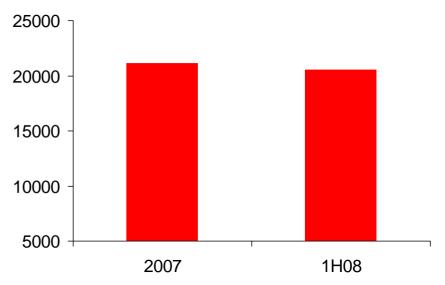


Leveraging our global distribution capability Personal Financial Services



Growth through joining up **HSBC Premier**

- A common platform for cross-border referrals and streamlined account opening
- Credit history "transferred" around the world
- Real estate purchases facilitated in any market
- Live in 47 countries



Number of HSBC Premier referrals

Leveraging our global distribution capability HSBCnet

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- Drives increasing levels of direct access by our customers
- 40,000 customers (corporates and financial institutions) and growing
- Recognised as 'best in class'



Best Online Platform (tied) in the US Large Corporates Category

2008 Online Services Benchmarking Study



Second in the Global Banking category

2008 Online Services Benchmarking Study

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Improving the customer experience HSBC Premier



Enabling global transfers (instant Me2Me)

- Situation: Customer has multiple accounts in multiple currencies
- Functions: View all customer accounts
 - Transfer funds in real time
 - Competitive FX rates
- Benefit:
- Instantaneous, paperless transfer on a single screen

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Improving the customer experience Multi channels



- Offering a multi-channel customer experience
- Situation: Customer has multiple devices
- Functions:
- Access via internet
 - Access via mobile device

Benefit:

 Identical customer experience across channels



Improving the customer experience Collections

- Providing an overview of all the customer's accounts
- Situation: Customer account is past due
- Functions: Review delinquent account
 - Review additional accounts
 - Log action





Improving the customer experience Collections



Current collections solution

- Multiple 'green' screens
- HSBC employee unable to view other customer accounts

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Improving the customer experience Collections



One HSBC solution

Benefits:

- Quick collecting on a single screen
- Provides customer view of delinquent and current accounts for a quick and accurate solution

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Improving cost efficiency Call centre

Standardising call centre practice for optimum efficiency

- Situation: Customer loses debit card
- Functions: Find customer record
 - Cancel lost card
 - Issue new card
 - Log action



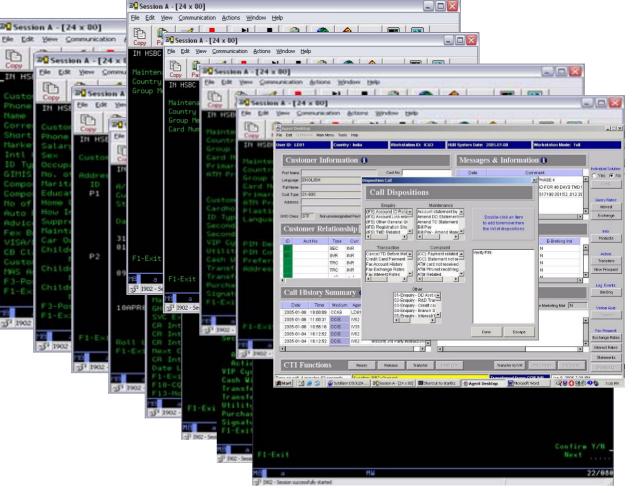
Improving cost efficiency Call centre



Former process

- 1. Verbal Quiz 1
- 2. Verbal Quiz 2
- 3. Verbal Quiz 3
- 4. Verbal Quiz 4
- 5. Verbal Quiz 5
- 6. Search Card 1
- 7. Search Card 2
- 8. Block Card
- 9. Replace Card 1
- 10. Replace Card 2
- 11. Replace Card 3
- 12. Replace Card 4
- 13. Manual Dispositions

Estimated time: 6 minutes



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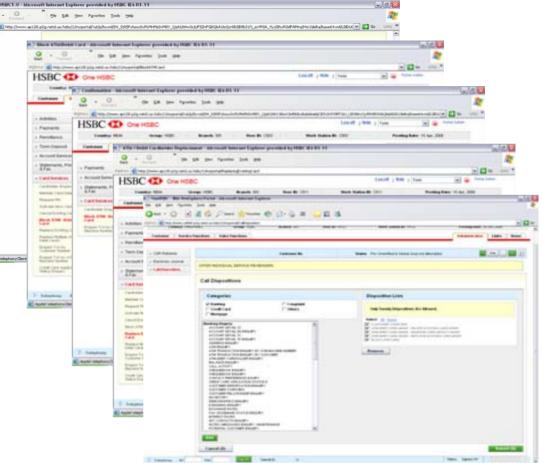
One HSBC solution

- 1. Automated Verbal Quiz
- 2. Block Card
- 3. Block Card Confirmation
- 4. Replace Card
- 5. Automated Dispositions

Benefits:

- Faster, easier transaction for staff and customer
- Increases productivity of staff

Estimated time: 4 minutes





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Improving cost efficiency Call centre



Transaction performance improvement

Transaction type	Time (in seconds) Old One HSBC		Improvement		
Transaction enquiry	115	90	22%		
Stop cheque request	190	160	16%		
Change phone banking status	95	65	32%		
Block and replace debit card	360	240	33%		

*Average call handle time

Study conducted at Mumbai, India, May 2008

One HSBC products Facilitating compelling customer propositions



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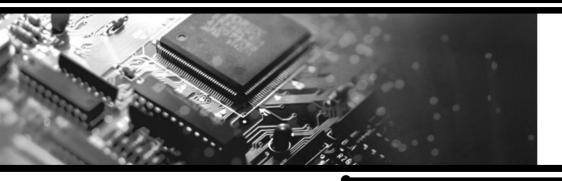
Gold Suite, regional and global deployments

Becoming one bank operating in multiple countries

Multi-channel, customer-centric, efficient, convenient

Transaction time, reducing necessity of staff assistance

The implementation of change



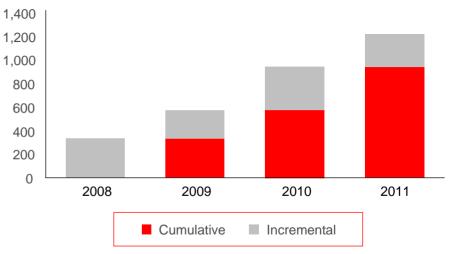
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One HSBC deployment velocity

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- Already over 200 One HSBC implementations in 2008
- More than double expected in 2009
- Over 90% of all deployment work to be completed by YE 2011



Deployments per year

Eliminating the barriers to entry: One HSBC Gold Suite Upgrading core banking systems faster and at lower cost



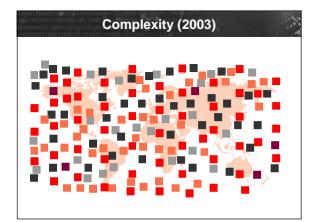
Countries where implemented	2009/2010 planned countries for One HSBC upgrade
Qatar, Mauritius, Egypt, Singapore, Taiwan, Vietnam, Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia*	Bahrain, Oman, Lebanon, Pakistan, Jordan, Iraq, SABB, Kuwait, India, UAE, Nicaragua, Greece, Malta, Jersey, Spain, France, Canada, USA

*Other countries already deployed include Australia and the Philippines

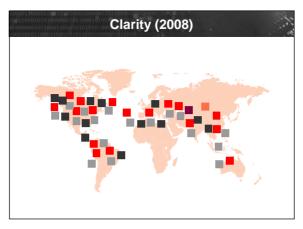
- Substantial reduction in costs over deploying systems individually
- New One HSBC Gold Suite fully implemented in 36 months on a rolling basis (versus previous time of 5 years)
- Converted countries will upgrade every 18 months

The physical manifestation of Joining Up

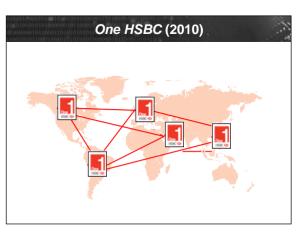




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The size of the opportunity



- Sustainable cost efficiency with the One HSBC roll-out
- New One HSBC Gold Suite fully implemented in 36 months on a rolling basis
- Expansion into new markets is enabled at a lower cost
- Opportunity to achieve hundreds of millions (US \$) in savings from 2009

The implementation of change

Summary

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