

EU's Digital Future: Euro, AI, and Sustainable Finance Trends

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1. Which of the following is a key objective for the EU in developing a digital euro?

- A) To replace all physical cash entirely.
- B) To promote European firms and reduce reliance on US payment systems.
- C) To exclusively facilitate cross-border transactions within the Eurozone.
- D) To offer a platform for cryptocurrency trading and investment.

2. What is a significant trend in European fintech predicted for 2024, particularly concerning Artificial Intelligence?

- A) A complete ban on AI in financial services due to ethical concerns.
- B) The integration of AI to enhance back-office operations and customer-facing experiences.
- C) A shift away from AI towards purely human-driven financial advice.
- D) AI's primary role being limited to fraud detection only.

3. In the realm of sustainable finance, what has been a notable development in the EU as of December 2024?

- A) The complete phasing out of all ESG-related regulations.
- B) Key legislative building blocks like the EU Taxonomy, CSRD, and SFDR are now in place.
- C) A significant reduction in investment in green bonds due to market volatility.
- D) The EU has abandoned its sustainability goals in favor of economic growth.

4. According to recent economic forecasts for the EU, what is the projected trend for headline inflation in 2024 and 2025?

- A) A significant increase in inflation for both years.
- B) A steady decline in inflation, with the euro area expected to reach 2.4% in 2024 and 2.1% in 2025.
- C) Inflation is expected to remain above 5% for both years.
- D) A slight increase in inflation in 2024 followed by a decrease in 2025.

5. The European Parliament recently adopted reforms to revise the EU's economic governance framework. Which of the following is a key component of these reforms?

- A) Replacing the European Central Bank with a new fiscal authority.
- B) Revising the preventive and corrective arms of the Stability and Growth Pact (SGP).
- C) Eliminating all fiscal rules for member states to encourage spending.
- D) Introducing a single, unified EU tax system for all member states.

6. Which of the following is a major trend identified in European fintech for 2024, related to how payments are integrated into other services?

- A) A focus on exclusively card-based payment systems.
- B) The emergence of embedded payments, seamlessly integrating into various platforms and devices.
- C) A significant decrease in the adoption of digital wallets.
- D) A return to paper-based transaction methods.

7. What is a key concern for the EU regarding its economic competitiveness and future, as highlighted in recent outlooks?

- A) Over-reliance on renewable energy sources.
- B) A long-term fall in competitiveness, with challenges like labor shortages and regulatory burdens.
- C) Excessive government spending by all member states.
- D) A lack of technological innovation across the continent.

8. Regarding the digital euro, what is a key feature emphasized for user privacy and transaction confidentiality?

- A) All transactions will be publicly recorded on a blockchain.
- B) Transactions will be identifiable by the European Central Bank for security purposes.
- C) The system will include an offline mode offering confidentiality similar to cash transactions.
- D) Users will be required to disclose their personal financial history for every transaction.