

Special Report (sample)

Disruptors in WealthTech

2022

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Background

- Advent of technology has brought in significant transformations across all financial services. While the financial technology (FinTech) evolution continues to happen, it has been accelerated by various start-ups harnessing advancements within technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning (ML), cloud, big data and blockchain.
- The proliferation of start-ups within the FinTech start-up ecosystem (with over 20,000 start-ups around the globe) has made it challenging for investors and other stakeholders to identify the ones that are exclusive. Within this context, Aranca has conducted a comprehensive assessment of over 500 start-ups (establishment year 2015 onwards) in the following three leading FinTech areas that cumulatively attracted over \$14 bn investment in H1 2020:
 - > WealthTech: Solutions that enable easy investing and personal wealth management (investment CAGR, 2015-2019: 31.5%)
 - > InsurTech: Solutions pertaining to the insurance industry such as distribution of insurance products or automated claim procedures (investment CAGR, 2015-2019: 27.8%)
 - > RegTech: Solutions related to the automation of regulatory compliance (investment CAGR, 2015-2019: 33.6%)
- Based on the assessment, Aranca has released a series of special reports that cover potentially disruptive start-ups in each of the above three areas.

Introduction

About this report:

- This report provides a comprehensive overview of 40 potentially disruptive start-ups active in the wealth management area. These start-ups are characterized by their use of technology to create value-added high-impact solutions that differentiate them from the rest.
- The following two types of start-ups, based on their use of B2B or B2C or both business models, have been covered:
 - Technology provider: Provides a platform or architecture on which products/services can be built
 - End-product provider: Provides a ready-to-use product enabled by advanced financial technology
- Each company has been profiled separately by outlining details around its financials, business, services/products and recent activities. Furthermore, a 15-point assessment within the Aranca 5-Factor Assessment Framework has been provided for each player.
- Established players, financial institutions, and established technology providers have not been captured.

Relevant audience:

- Incumbent financial institutions and established technology providers
- Venture capitalists (VCs), and institutional and individual investors

Customization:

• The report contents can be customized based on user requirements. Accordingly, report coverage shall be reduced or expanded to the specific areas of interest.

Potential Disruptors in WealthTech

(illustrative overview; not exhaustive)



Research Methodology

Key Steps	Description					
Mapping WealthTech Start-ups	 A comprehensive search was performed on various platforms to map the start-ups. No geographical restriction was applied. Start-ups with establishment year 2015 onwards were considered, however, this was not considered strictly in order to capture all significant players. Financial institutions, and established technology providers were excluded. Mapped start-ups were scrutinized for relevancy based on technology and service/product offerings. The following is an example depicting the relevancy of start-ups covered: Relevant: A start-up that provides a platform on which data is aggregated and AI is harnessed to determine patterns, run various models, and display investment opportunities Non-relevant: A start-up that provides a platform on which only data is aggregated and displayed 					
Screening and Qualification						
Profiling the disruptive start-ups	 Each relevant start-up was profiled in detail by covering its business model, products/services, operations and financials. The Aranca 5-Factor assessment was conducted for each potential disruptor. Observations and insights based on Aranca's analysis were also provided. 					
Information Sources	id sources such as: Crunchbase, Pitchbook, Factiva, IIS, Bloomberg, and Tracxn Aranca's internal knowledgebase and industry experts mpany websites, and product and news/media sections					

Aranca 5-Factor Assessment

	Criteria	Low		Score		High	Description		
		1	2	3	4	5			
Financial	Total Funding						Higher the total funding received till date, higher the score		
\$7	Funding Rounds						Seed funded start-ups score the lowest		
M	Type of Investor						Funding by family/friends score the lowest		
	Number of Investors						Start-ups with more than five investors score the highest		
	Revenues						Start-ups with higher revenues score higher		
Business	Business Model						Start-ups with unique business models score higher		
	Sectoral Diversity						Start-ups catering to more sectors score higher		
Technology	Intellectual Property						Start-ups with higher number of patents and trademarks score higher		
	Novelty						Start-ups offering novel technologies, products, or services score higher		
cosystem	Policies/Regulations						Start-ups operating in the FinTech space score higher		
	Digital Readiness						Start-ups operating in digitally matured spaces score higher		
rganization	Global Presence						Start-ups with global presence in over seven regions score higher		
	Number of Employees						Start-ups with more than 50+ employees score higher		
	Active Years						Matured start-ups score higher		
	Web Traffic - Monthly						Start-ups with over 6,000 monthly visits (website and/or apps score higher		

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About

- Bambu is a white label robo-advisory solution provider
- It provides services via a **Software-as-a-Service (SaaS)** platform and **application program interface (APIs)**. These services are ready-to-use or custom-built as per requirement and are provided under pay-per-use terms.

Solutions

- Robo-advisors help investors to find the right investment strategies without a human advisor. These strategies can be deployed without writing a single code or can be tailored as per requirements using diversified API libraries.
- The technology processes large volumes of data (portfolio and investment products) and derives valuable insights and opportunities for the investor using AI & ML.
- Financial advisors can better serve clients using this technology by saving both time and cost.

Aranca Comments

- With strong financial backing, dual service (platform & APIs) and innovative products, Bambu has the potential to reach millions of end-users in the years to come.
- The company aims to scale up its production and venture into other financial sectors.

BAMBU - Overview





Website: https://bambu.co/

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Financials:

- Total Funding Amount: \$ 13.4 mn
- Funding Round: Series B
- Last Funding: July 2019

- Top Investors: Franklin Templeton Investments, PEAK6 Investments LLC
- Revenue: ~ \$ 2 mn

Business:

- Model: B2B
- Sectors: Banking, Investment, Insurance
- Regions: Singapore, USA, UK, UAE, Indonesia, Philippines

Products:

- Bambu Go: Ready-to-use robo-advisor without any need of further development or integration
- Bambu Build: Customised robo-advisor built as per requirements
- Portfolio Builder: Analysis and comparison of various portfolios and investments on a single dashboard
- Intelligent Advisor: A single dashboard aggregating different data and use of AI to discover investment opportunities
- API Library: Open library that enables development of cutting-edge tools for wealth management

Miscellaneous:

- Collaborated with **DriveWealth**, a financial services API developer, in 2018
- Partners include Refinitiv, Apex Clearing, Franklin Templeton, TCS and Amazon Web Services

Normalized Total Score: **78**/100

Aranca 5-Factor Assessment (Normalized Scale)

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Financial, 92



Business, 60



Technology, 50



Ecosystem, 90



Organization, 75

		Criteria	Low		Score		High	Total
		Total Funding	1	2	3	4	5	
¢ -	Financial:	Funding Rounds						
1 /1	Completed eight funding roundsGenerated revenues of around \$ 2 mn	Type of Investor						23
		Number of Investors						
		Revenues						
	Business	Business Model						
	 Works only with financial institutions Products currently serve around 3–4 sectors 	Sectoral Diversity						6
212	Technology More than three trademarks	Intellectual Property						
 Ready-to-use robo-advise 	Ready-to-use robo-advisors, diversified API libraries	Novelty						5
Ecosystem Currently operates in	Ecosystem	Policies/Regulations						
	 Currently operates in FinTech-friendly countries 	Digital Readiness						9
	Organization	Global Presence						
	 Operates in South Asian, Middle East and American regions 	Number of Employees						45
strength		Active Years						15
	 Average rate of Monthly visits 	Web Traffic - Monthly						



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