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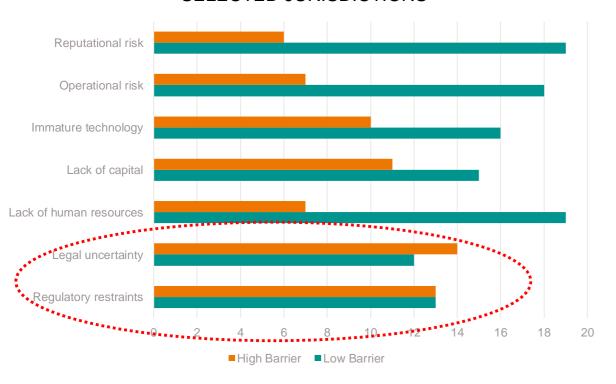
Session 4:

Designing Effective Regulatory Sandboxes for FinTech Innovations

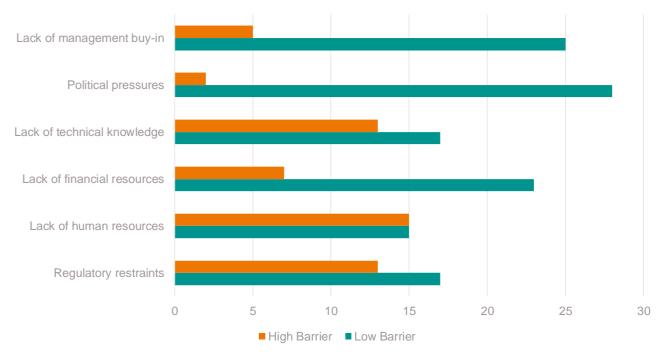
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Regulators see regulation as a key barrier to innovation

MAIN BARRIERS TO FINANCIAL INNOVATION IN SELECTED JURISDICTIONS



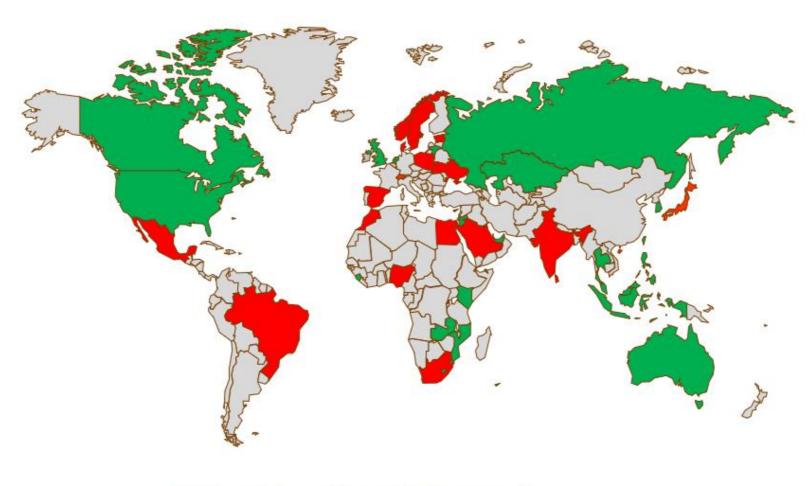
MAIN BARRIERS PREVENTING REGULATORS FROM RESPONDING TO INNOVATION EFFECTIVELY



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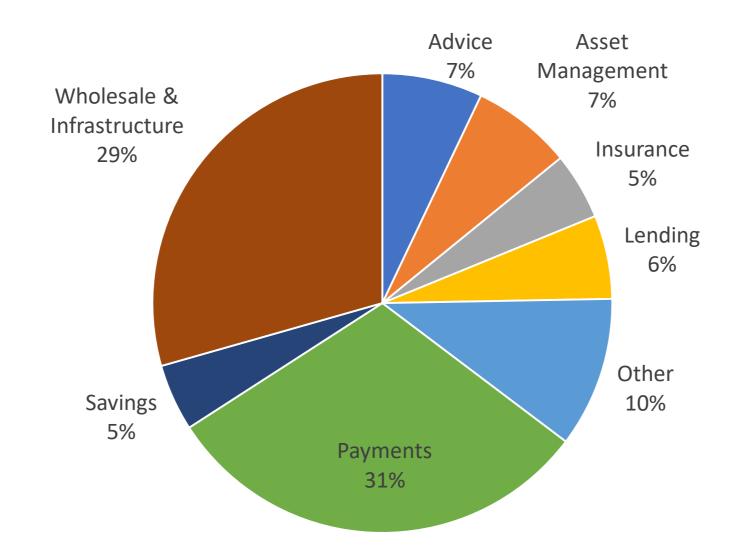
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Regulatory sandboxes around the world (March 29, 2019)



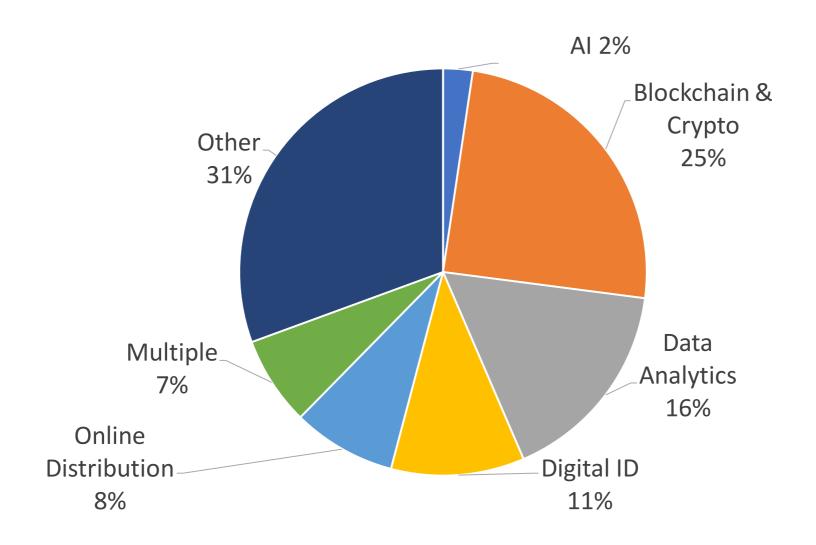
- Countries with regulatory sandbox
- Countries considering regulatory sandbox

Global sandbox participants (by sector)



Source: CGAP analysis (2019)

Global sandbox participants (by technology)



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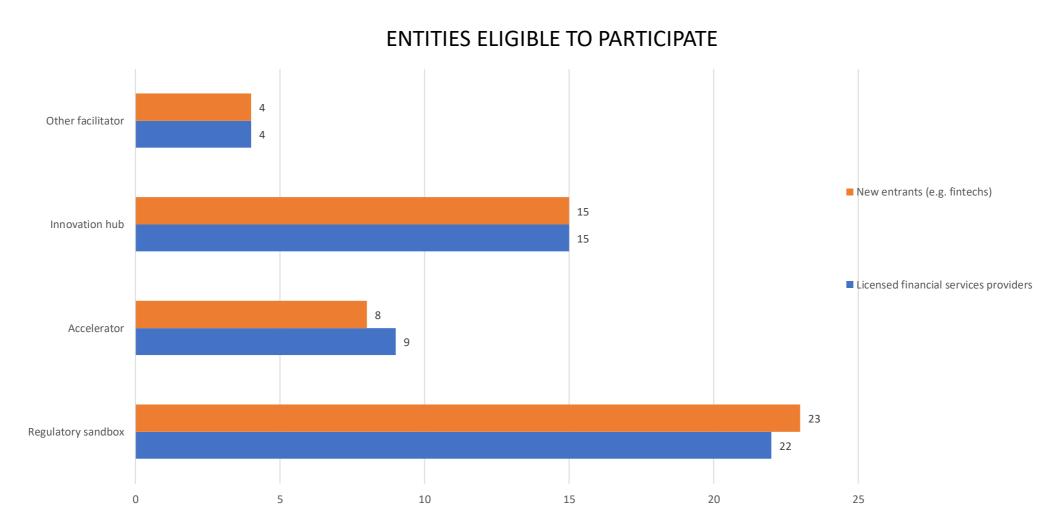
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Motivations don't always align with mandates

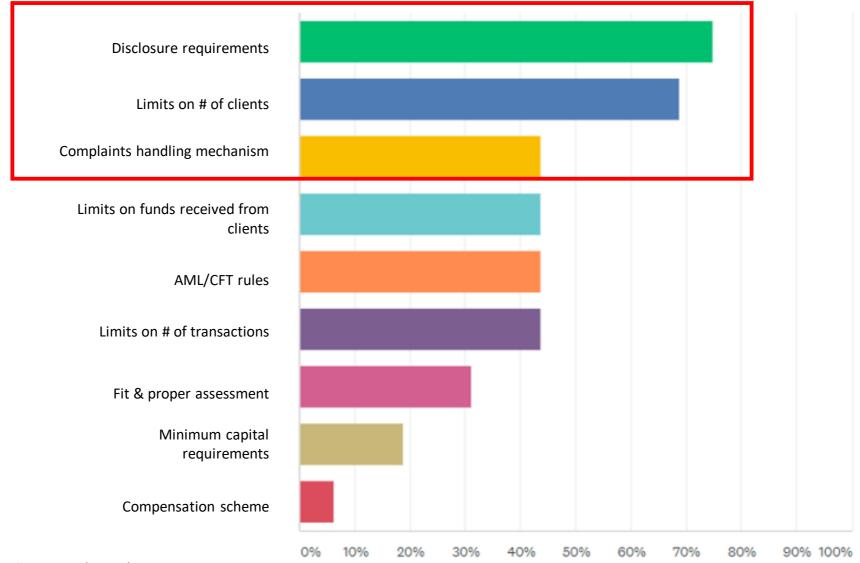




Most sandboxes are available to FIs and start-ups

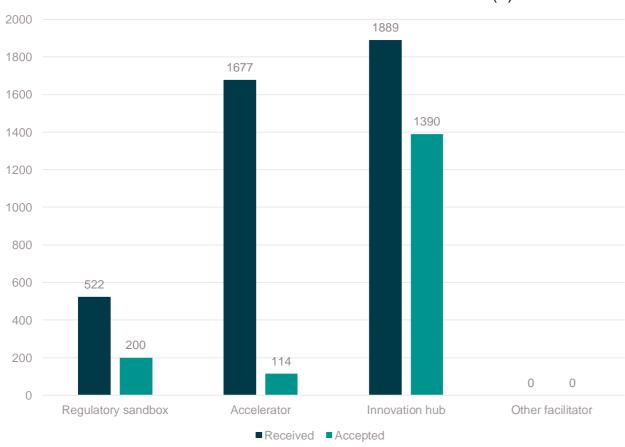


Do sandboxes create loopholes?

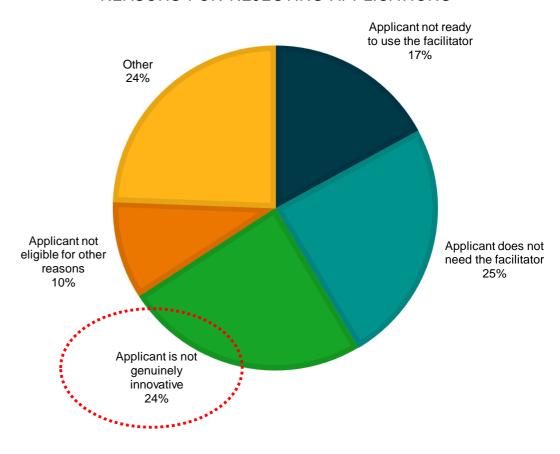


Sandboxes serve fewer firms than other facilitators

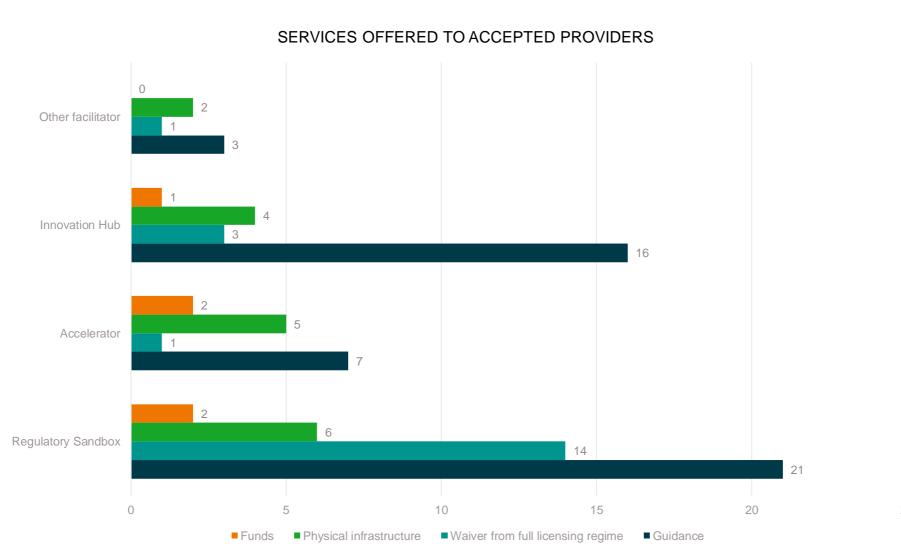
FORMAL APPLICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED VS ACCEPTED FOR THE INNOVATION FACILITATOR(S)



REASONS FOR REJECTING APPLICATIONS



Informal guidance may be the primary benefit



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Different models emerging



Innovation Promoting

- Encourage new market entrants
- Reduce initial cost of regulation
- Validate new business models and technologies
- Often cohort-based and/or linked to other market development initiatives







Policy Promoting

- Identify regulations that inhibit beneficial innovation
- Encourage policy modernization
- Open application with few participants – focus on resolving regulatory frictions *prior* to reaching sandbox



Thematic

 Leverage sandbox for (i) promoting specific innovations (i.e., SME finance) or (ii) accelerating adoption of regulatory enablers (i.e., eKYC, QR codes, etc.)





