Advocacy Plan for COVID-19 and Beyond

The ATM & Cash Revival

Key Actions and Themes

Following the devastating impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and taking into account the results of the member survey in April 2020, including the list of pain points experienced by members during the crisis, ATMIA is committed to the following actions in a broad, global ATM and Cash Revival Plan.

1. Cash Revival Plan

1.1 Continue cashless bans campaign – mandatory acceptance of cash at retail outlets in USA, Europe, Canada, UK & Australia.

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   Prioritisation: High

1.2 Making the deposit of cash (notes and coins) at ATMs other than those of your own account provider.

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1.3 Relaunch cash’s top values, e.g. financial inclusion, ease of use, high trust levels.

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1.4 Improved cash management and logistics to reduce costs; more use of strong software is vital to reduce cost impact of any future virus lockdowns, and handle what might be a gradual and/or unpredictable return to normal usage.

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2. ATM Revival Plan

2.1 Develop global ATM Hygiene & Safety Protocol, with Best Practices; hand sanitiser at ATMs; keypad overlays; use of sanitising additives added to notes in manufacture; note cleansing within the ATM; pre-staging of transactions; message that contactless (cards or phones) cuts down some of the contact but keypad still needs to be used.

2.1.1 Summary of finding of health authorities about safety of cash.
2.1.2 Investigate relevance of cleaning technologies, including UV, etc.
2.1.3 Pandemic Industry Response Best Practices (for future pandemics).

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2.2 Next Gen Reinvention of the ATM, including new functionalities for ATMs.

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2.3 Economic revival of the ATM industry.

2.3.1 Transparent and cost-related interchange calculation.
2.3.2 Direct charging & interchange for new functionality.
2.3.3 Cash recycling/cash deposits at ATMs.
2.3.4 Removal of taxes from ATMs (e.g. business rates in the UK).
2.3.5 Look at the impact of the pandemic on the increased push to move more teller transactions/interactions to the ATM.

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