

23-25 March

### **Aim and content**

This year, the 5th Meeting of the Fintech Forum will discuss stablecoins and Bigtechs. It is essential to distinguish between stablecoins and crypto-assets in order to understand the features and risks of stablecoins from different angles, as well as their impact on the financial sector. After clarifying the concept of digital payments (distinguishing between central bank digital currencies, crypto-assets and stablecoins), the central banks will discuss regulatory challenges and possible public policy responses. All of these points will be analysed during the first two days of the event, while the focus on the last day will be on the implications of Bigtech activity on financial services.

At the end of the event, an organisational session will be held to agree on the format and subject matters CEMLA's Fintech group will deal with over the course of 2022.

### **Professional profile of attendees**

The meeting is aimed at Fintech Forum members and a senior CEMLA membership representative, who work in financial innovation, regulation, payments, IT and other related areas.

The Fintech Forum is intended to be a venue where central banks discuss research in Fintech and related issues that are a matter of concern for them, informing about risk analyses and the regulations required to ensure the smooth operation of payment systems.

### **Organisation and format**

The meeting is organised jointly by CEMLA and the Banco de España, and will be held online.

The programme is structured around thematic panel discussions and paper presentations, followed by a debate with the Forum participants.