

# THE FUTURE of Payments

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND THE GROWING DEMAND FOR TALENT



## KEYNOTE

**8:00AM-9:00AM**

Registration, Check In & Breakfast

**9:00AM-9:15AM**

Introduction

**Robin Cheramie**, *Dean, Coles College of Business, KSU*

Welcome Address

**Coles Fintech and Payments Club**

**9:15AM-10:00AM**

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** AI in Payments

**Bruna Lopes**, *Innovation Director, MJV Technology & Innovation*

**Samantha McAvoy**, *US Key Account Manager, MJV Technology & Innovation*

**Leonardo Sa**, *Global Data & Analytics Executive, MJV Technology & Innovation*

## PANEL SESSIONS

**10:15AM-11:00AM**

**PANEL 1:** Disruption and Innovation in Digital Payments

**MODERATOR:**

**Humayun Zafar**, *Fintech Program Director and Professor of Information Security and Assurance, KSU*

**PANELISTS:**

**Blake McDaniel**, *AVP, FedNow Product Management*

**Chris Staymates**, *Chief Innovation Officer, Stax Payments*

**Steve Ledford**, *Former SVP Products and Strategy, The Clearing House*

**Jonathan Partridge**, *EVP and Chief Strategy Officer, First Entertainment Credit Union*

**11:15AM-12:00PM**

**PANEL 2:** KSU Sandbox Project (US Bank / Elavon)

**MODERATOR:**

**Dr. Solomon Negash**, *Professor of Information Systems, KSU*

**PANELISTS:**

Student Groups

**12:00PM-1:15PM**

Lunch

## PANEL SESSIONS

**1:15PM-2:00PM**

**PANEL 3:** Career Horizons in Fintech

**MODERATOR:**

**Laura Gibson-Lamothe**, *Executive Director, Georgia Fintech Academy*

**PANELISTS:**

**Jaime Yeager**, *VP Partnerships, InComm*

**Grant Sweet**, *Managing Director, Stone Resource Group*

**Reggie Whisenton**, *Senior Recruitment Consultant, Global Accounting Network*

**2:15PM-3:00PM**

**PANEL 4:** Digital Currency, Stable Coins, and Tokenization

**MODERATOR:**

**Dr. Khawaja Saeed**, *Chair of the Department of Information Systems and Security, KSU*

**PANELISTS:**

**George Kushner**, *Co-Founder, H2Crypto*

**Jeff Gapusan**, *Founder, Pip3line Advisors*

**Laine Donlan**, *SVP, Head of Embedded Finance Technology, Truist*

**3:15PM-4:00PM**

**PANEL 5:** Trends in Payments 2024

**MODERATOR:**

**Astrid Cuellar Benitez**, *Founder and President, Coles Fintech & Payment Club*

**PANELISTS:**

**Steve Nigri**, *Partner, NXT-Moves*

**Adwait Joshi**, *CEO, DataSeers*

**Sanjeev Jha**, *SVP Faster Payments Tech, Truist*

**Dobbin Prezzono**, *Chief of Staff & Head of Strategic Partnerships, SpeedChain*

**Ali Raza**, *Director, Protiviti*

## CAREER CONVERSATIONS

**10:15AM-12:00PM**

**STA 370 & 372**

**PRESENTERS:**

**Murtaza Nisar**, *VP, Chief Information Security Officer, Clario*

**Corey Tucker**, *Senior Cloud Security Consultant, EY*

**Sandra Edukye**, *Workforce Management, Planning, and Engagement Strategist, Truist*

**Aakash Shah**, *Chief Product Officer, ICBL*

**Ryan Edelson**, *Manager, Global Sales and Client Relationships, Fiserv*

**2:15PM-4:00PM**

**STA 370 & 372**

**PRESENTERS:**

**Steve Riddick**, *VP Strategic Payment Partners, Visa*

**Stacie McDowell**, *IT Development Director, Tokio Marine HCC*

**Sandra Edukye**, *Workforce Management, Planning and Engagement Strategist, Truist*