## SDX: Status Quo & Outlook

Introduction to SIX Digital Exchange AG

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### Agenda

- 1. Introduction: From FMI to DMI
- 2. SDX Digital Asset Platform and Service Offering
- 3. Outlook
- 4. Q&A





## SIX Digital Exchange sets the standard for digital assets, embedded in the existing financial market infrastructure environment

Since it was founded in 2018, SIX Digital Exchange (SDX) is an integral part of SIX Group, the infrastructure operator of the Swiss and Spanish financial centers which is owned by 120 Swiss banks<sup>1</sup>.

In addition to market access, SDX offers issuing, trading and custody of digital assets based on innovative distributed ledger technology (DLT). The company operates the digital market infrastructure for digital assets with 120+ employees under a full FINMA license in the form of an integrated central securities depository and stock exchange<sup>1</sup>.

SIX Group's high security and reputational standards are a key element in the issuance, exchange and custody of high-quality assets within a regulated framework.

#### Our core pillars



#### **Fully regulated**

SDX as the fully regulated source of trust.



#### Full value chain

From issuance, via transfer and settlement to custody.



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### Digital assets – Tokenized cash

The market where all value is listed, exchanged and stored.



#### **B2B** model

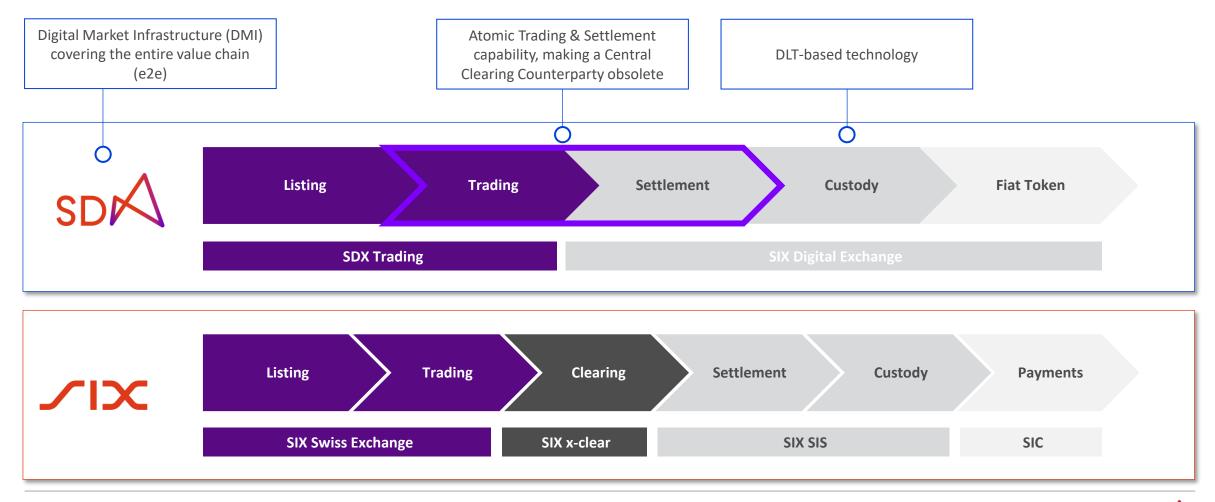
Purely focused on business clients on a permissioned chain.

As of March 2021

<sup>2)</sup> https://www.finma.ch/en/news/2021/09/finma-issues-first-ever-approval-for-a-stock-exchange-and-a-central-securities-depository-for-the-trading-of-tokens/



## SDX aims at simplifying the value chain, drive efficiency gains and pave the way for institutional digital assets





### We have built a fully integrated stock exchange and CSD



**Trading System** same as SSX<sup>1</sup> is using today, integrated to DLT<sup>2</sup> at matching point.

**Centralized orderbook** connected with distributed ledger technology to enable integrated trading \_\_\_\_

New market model that supports integrated trading and atomic settlement based on well know price finding mechanism

Market surveillance based on SMARTs, the system that SER<sup>3</sup> and SSX<sup>1</sup> is using today



**Market Data publication** fully integrated in existing SIX Exfeed



The first **regulated CSD** to distribute holdings of assets based on DLT where the members hold the assets under their private key

The first company in the world integrating tokenized CHF backed by deposits at SNB<sup>4</sup> to enable DvP<sup>5</sup> exchange of tokens

Fully tokenized **DvP settlement** on the CSD<sup>6</sup> laver



Fully integrated in the connectivity layer of SIX to enable quick onboarding of existing clients

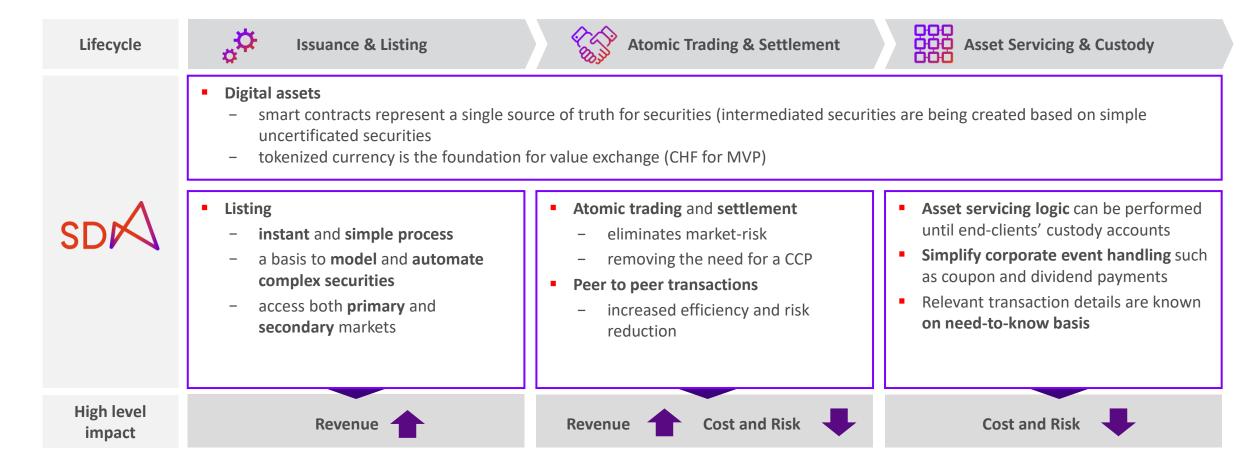
First proof of automated asset servicing based on smart assets for bonds and equities



- 2 Distributed Ledger Technology

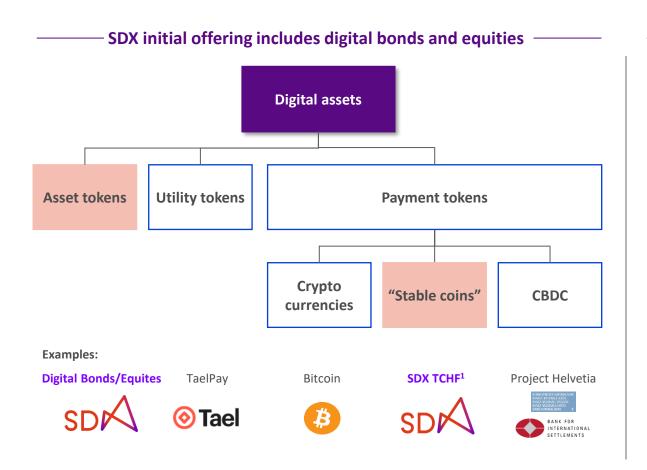


## SDX as known and trusted partner to build a Digital Asset Ecosystem and explore new opportunities





## SDX's initial offering focuses on securities tokens settled and custodied on a private, decentralized infrastructure



- **Comment**
- Digital assets are investable stores of value that can be traded on digital platforms
- Digital tokens include security tokens and utility tokens
  - Security tokens represent the ownership of assets such as equity, debt, realestate, commodities or exotic asset classes (e.g., collectables, patents, IP)
  - Utility tokens represent future access to a company's product or service
- Digital currencies include cryptocurrencies and fiat tokens
  - CBDC's are backed or issued by a government (as issued by central bank) –
    increasing number of central banks involved with CBDC research and
    development
  - Crypto currencies are independent digital currency with no underlying asset and no central regulating body (value established through supply and demand) – representing majority share of all digital assets today



## Collaborating with BIS Innovation Hub and Central Banks to lay the foundation for settling tokenized assets in wholesale CBDC







#### Helvetia Phase I (completed in December 2021)

- Issuing a wholesale CBDC onto a distributed digital asset platform;
- and linking the digital asset platform to the existing wholesale payment system (SIC)
- The initiative demonstrated the feasibility and legal robustness of both alternatives

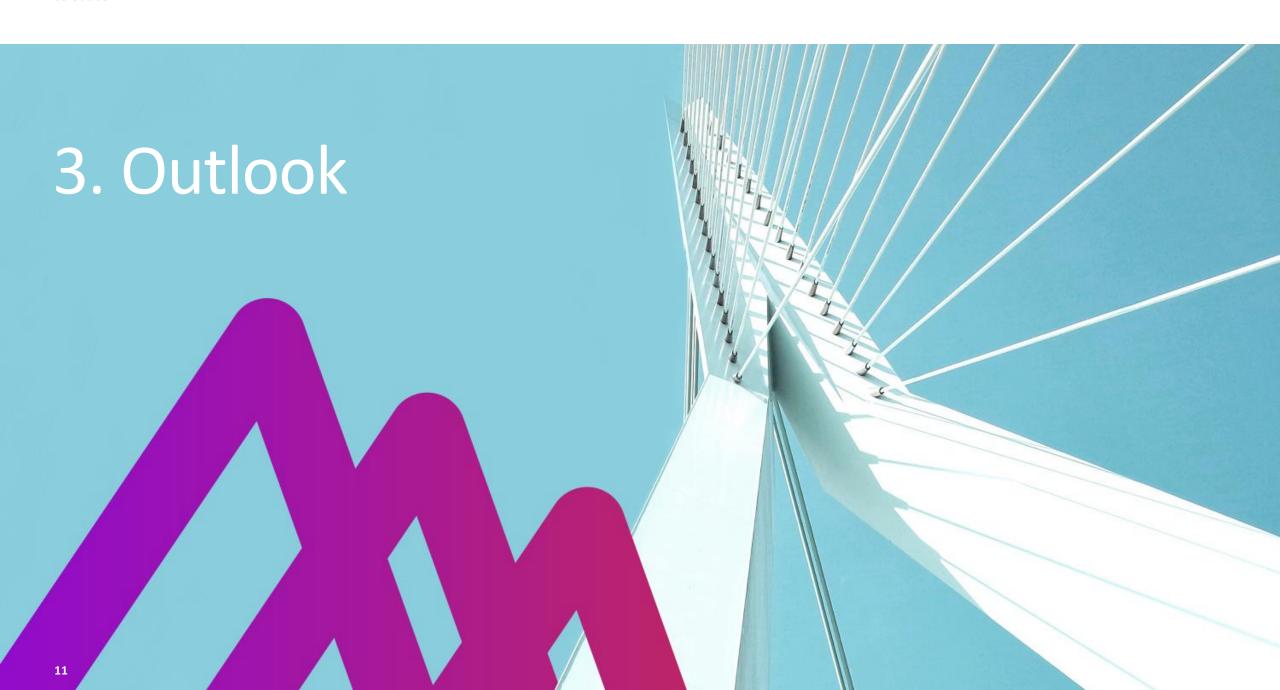
#### Helvetia Phase II (completed in January 2022)

- Integration of wholesale CBDC (wCBDC) in core banking systems
- Settlement of interbank, cross-border and monetary policy transaction using wCBDC
- Legal assessment of solution design and considerations on alternative settlement options

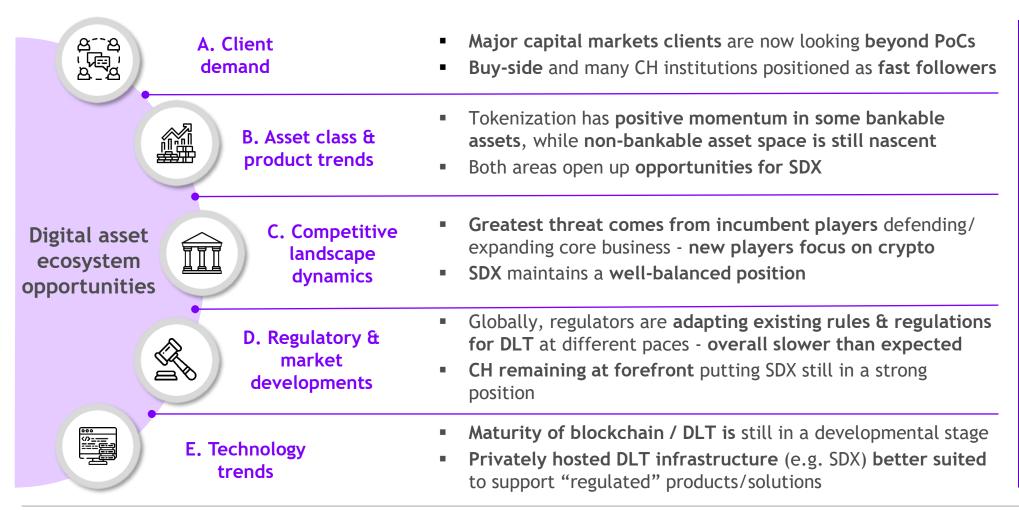
#### Jura (completed in December 2021)

- Settlement of cross-border and cross-currency transactions in wCBDC on a single multilateral platform
- Emphasis on governance, including controls for central banks, when issuing wCBDC on a platform that is owned and operated by a third-party





### New Opportunities: Adapting the evolving developments in the digital asset industry (incl. challenges)



Market dynamic reconfirm SDX's early mover positioning & investment to build the next generation financial market ecosystem



## SDX's 3 pillars strategy aims at capitalizing on market-driven opportunities

**Exploit** 

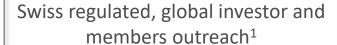
#### 1. Digital Securities

Fixed Income & Equity & Others



SDX as the leading regulated marketplace for digital securities & the future SIX Group infrastructure

Institutional client base: banks, securities firms, issuers



#### **Build**

#### 2. Crypto



SDX as crypto provider across the value chain: liquidity access, risk management tools, custody and ancillary services

Institutional client base: banks, market makers, crypto brokers

Swiss springboard, global outreach<sup>1</sup>

#### **Explore**

### 3. Non-Traditional Assets / Alternatives



SDX as catalyst for DLT-based new business models for non-traditional asset

Institutional & corporate client base, issuers

Swiss springboard, global outreach<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Subject to relevant regulations Digital Securities: intermediated securities; Crypto: Crypto currencies, e.g. BTC; Non-Traditional Assets: non-bankable & non-intermediated assets that might be traded but lack definite and standardized infrastructure



# Questions and Answers





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