

HARNESSING THE INSURETECH HYPE FOR MICROINSURANCE

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### **BUZZWORDS OF INSURETECH**



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1. Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning

2. Peer to Peer (P2P)

3. On-Demand Protection

4. Chatbots

5. Internet of Things



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Artificial Intelligence/ Machine Learning



# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE/ MACHINE LEARNING

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# What's happening in the traditional insurance space?

• Leveraging new and unstructured sets of data.





- 400m customers with 4bn+ policies
  - **380m** policies written in one day for Nov 11, 2015 shopping festival in China
- 8bn USD valuation of Series A financing



# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE/ MACHINE LEARNING

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- Endless possibilities: Product Customization, Individual Risk Assessment...
- Big challenge: Reliable Datasets
- Example:







Peer-to-Peer



# PEER-TO-PEER (P2P)

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### What's happening in the traditional insurance space?

- Different definitions, but some common features
  - "Mutual in a tech environment"?
  - Dividing into smaller pools that share in risk and reward
  - Portion of premiums covers small claims, portion for insurance co.
  - Upfront premiums vs. pay-for-claims
  - Friends/family vs. random groups
- Examples of 33-80% savings over traditional products, created by groups' shared incentives to minimise fraudulent claims.
- Questions remain:
  - How do you scale pools while also maintaining the benefits of social solidarity?
  - How do you leverage groups for claims efficiency?
  - How do you translate and simplify the concept for emerging consumers?





# PEER-TO-PEER (P2P)

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- P2P already exists in various forms
  - ROSCAs, VSLAs, ASCAs, Stokvels, Burial Societies
- Market research in South Africa:
  - Groups want transparency
  - Simplicity and efficiency
  - Want rewards for group success, but no penalties for bad members
  - Key to success: linking to unique existing structures in local markets
- Red flags:
  - Balancing low-touch with the value of social interaction
  - Balancing complex concept without smartphones/visuals/high data costs





On-Demand Protection



# **ON-DEMAND PROTECTION**

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What's happening in the traditional insurance space?

• **Trov**: Create digital database of assets and turn on/off cover as needed



• **Cover**: Insure anything by taking a photo of it





# **ON-DEMAND PROTECTION**

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- Alignment with emerging consumer mindsets
- What have we seen already?
  - Short-term accident insurance:
    - Safari Bima
    - Cover2Go
  - Agriculture insurance:
    - ACRE/Kilimo Salama
- Smartphones will open more opportunities
- Challenges:
  - Requires more frequent decision-making to "turn on" insurance coverage
  - Adverse selection: buying cover before risky events



Chatbots



# CHATBOTS

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## What's happening in the traditional insurance space?

- Insurance examples: Spixii, Lemonade, etc.
- Facebook Messenger:
  - 34,000 chatbots in first 6 months
  - Challenges persist with bad user experience, but successes are evolving
  - Best Use Cases:
    - Driving people toward subscriptions
    - Facilitating small transactions
    - Customer service

#### So what is SPIXII?

SPIXII is an automated insurance agent dedicated to making insurance quicker, easier and more personal than ever before.

With a simple conversation, find out what insurance would be right for you in an instant. Finally no more form-filling. No more confusing jargon. This is insurance made simple.

Do you remember the last time your computer crashed? That moment when you wonder if all your documents and photographs have backed on the hard-drive. Remember the sense of relief when you check and see that they're all still there?

Insurance is life's hard-drive. And we believe you should have all the information at your fingertips on how to get the right one.

That's Spixii's mission. It's insurance, but not how you know it.





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# CHATBOTS

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### The microinsurance perspective

• Low-touch vs. High-touch

- Key Considerations:
  - Literacy rates
  - Smartphone penetration
  - Target market age
  - Trust



Spend Rs. 100 this month to qualify for free hospital insurance from ISC. To register, send your full

name to 185 or dial \*185#

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Internet of Things (IoT)



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# CONCLUSION

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- InsureTech is set to continue expanding
  - Better Products
  - Better Distribution
  - Better User Experience
  - Better Customer Value
  - More Use Cases for Microinsurance
- Microinsurance as a leader





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