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EU T+1 pulse survey (September 2025)

Key Findings

Accelerated Settlement in the EU
Q3 2025 Pulse survey

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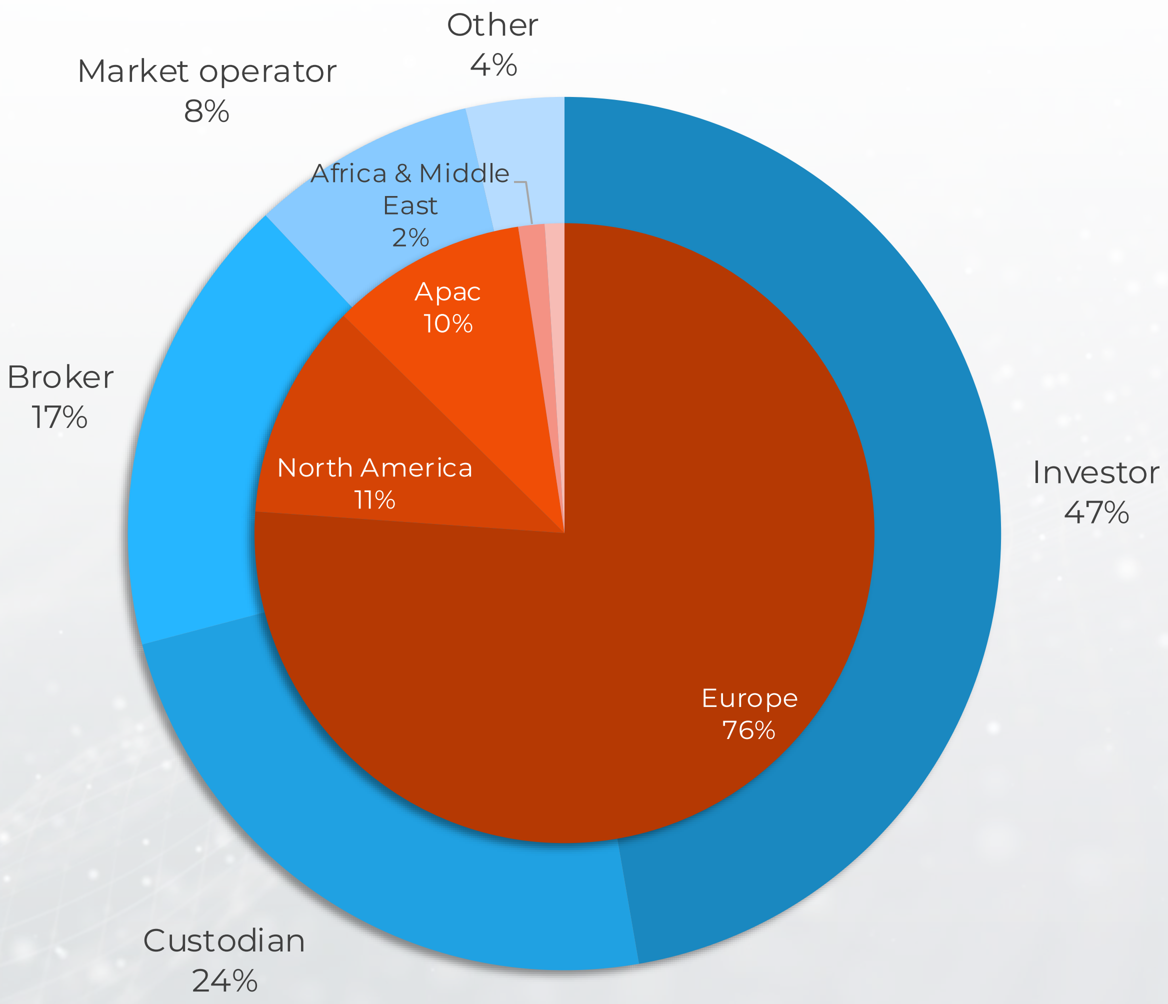

How ready is the global finance community for a transition to T+1 settlements in the EU?

Led by key market infrastructures Clearstream, DTCC, Euroclear, and an extensive range of industry associations around the world, this latest pulse survey provides fresh, statistical insights on where and how the journey towards T+1 in the EU is progressing.

These key findings are based on the results of our pulse check conducted in September 2025, drawing on insights from over 350 financial services professionals around the world.

This is a discussion document and we look forward to discussing the results of this research with you – to help you make the case for transformation in your organisation. Please contact us at info@thevalueexchange.co if you would like to talk through these results in detail.

EU T+1: High Level Roadmap 'Adhere or explain'

Operational Timetable

SL Recall Notification Deadline
17.00 CET on T+0 (Oct 2027)

Allocations & Confirmations by
23:00 CET on T+0 (by end 2026)

CCP Netting Reports by 22.30
CET on T+0 (October 2027)

Settlement instructions by
23:59 CET on T+0 (by Oct 2027)

FX Trades sent to CLS by 00.00
CET on T+1 (ongoing)

SL Return notification deadline
15.00 CET on T+1 (Oct 2027)

SL Recall settlement deadline
15.30 CET on T+1 (Oct 2027)

Technology Recommendations

- Automatic shaping of settlement instructions
- Automation / Electronic exchange of allocations and confirmations
- Real-time / STP processing of settlement instructions
- Securities lending recalls / returns automation
- Auto-partial (& partial release where applicable)
- Securities lending pre-matching
- PSET / PSAF population & automation
- Hold & release implementation
- Population of transaction types in settlement instructions
- Changes to T2S start of settlement (TBC) (other changes to CSD timings TBC)
- Settlement allegement reporting / processing
- Automation of buyer protection / market claim processing
- Triparty RQV Collateral / real-time loan release

EU T+1 High-Level Roadmap

T+1 in the EU: The journey

T+1 in the EU Implementation Timeline (based on EU T+1 Industry Committee's High-Level Roadmap)

2025 **2026** **2027**

From July
2025

As soon as practicable:

- Provision of PSET at point of allocation
- Ongoing monitoring of FX Settlement Risk
- Ongoing monitoring of FX PvP mechanism

End Oct. / Nov.
2025

Target completion date for:

- Market Practice on SSIs (Mgmt. / Exchange / Settlement Instruction format / Transaction type)
- Market practice for Partial settlement
- Conclude repo liquidity preservation solution

End December.
2025

- Explore possibility of 17.00 DVP cut-off

End December
2026

Target completion date for:

- Trading venue rulebook & end of day signal to CCPs
- Sec Lending same day returns
- Sec Lending automation recalls / return instructions
- Pro-rata loan release practices
- Triparty RQV collateral tools / logic models
- Intraday transmission of Allocations & Confirmations by no later than 23.00 CET on T+0
- Standardized & electronic exchange of Allocations & Confirmations
- Use of transaction type identifier in Settlement Instructions
- Custodians to report PSAF in holdings reports

11 October
2027

End date for:

- Amendment to EU CSDR
- All applicable technical changes
- Trading parties to comply with T+1
- All applicable market practice changes
- Inclusion of partial settlement window in 1st T2S Nighttime Cycle (NTS)

Accelerated Settlements in the EU
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T+1 in the EU: headlines

65% of firms are engaged on T+1 in Europe

T+1's impact is more significant outside of Europe than inside – especially for investors

T+1 in Europe is set to cost banks and brokers at least USD 2m

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After years of investment into **settlement efficiency** in Europe, this is now the single biggest area of impact for T+1

Whilst market readiness in European markets is a core challenge, **global engagement** remains a core priority for T+1 in Europe

More than 40% of firms look set to miss the market deadlines for middle-office processing at the **end of 2026**

Firms are worried most about their **counterparties** being ready for T+1 – but EU market complexity is a unique challenge

Less than one third of firms are confident that their **service providers** will be ready to support them for T+1

How are firms preparing for T+1?

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2026 will be the key year for T+1 preparations, with 2027 reserved to complete automation and testing

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Only 21% of firms are worried about having enough time or expertise to prepare for T+1 in the EU

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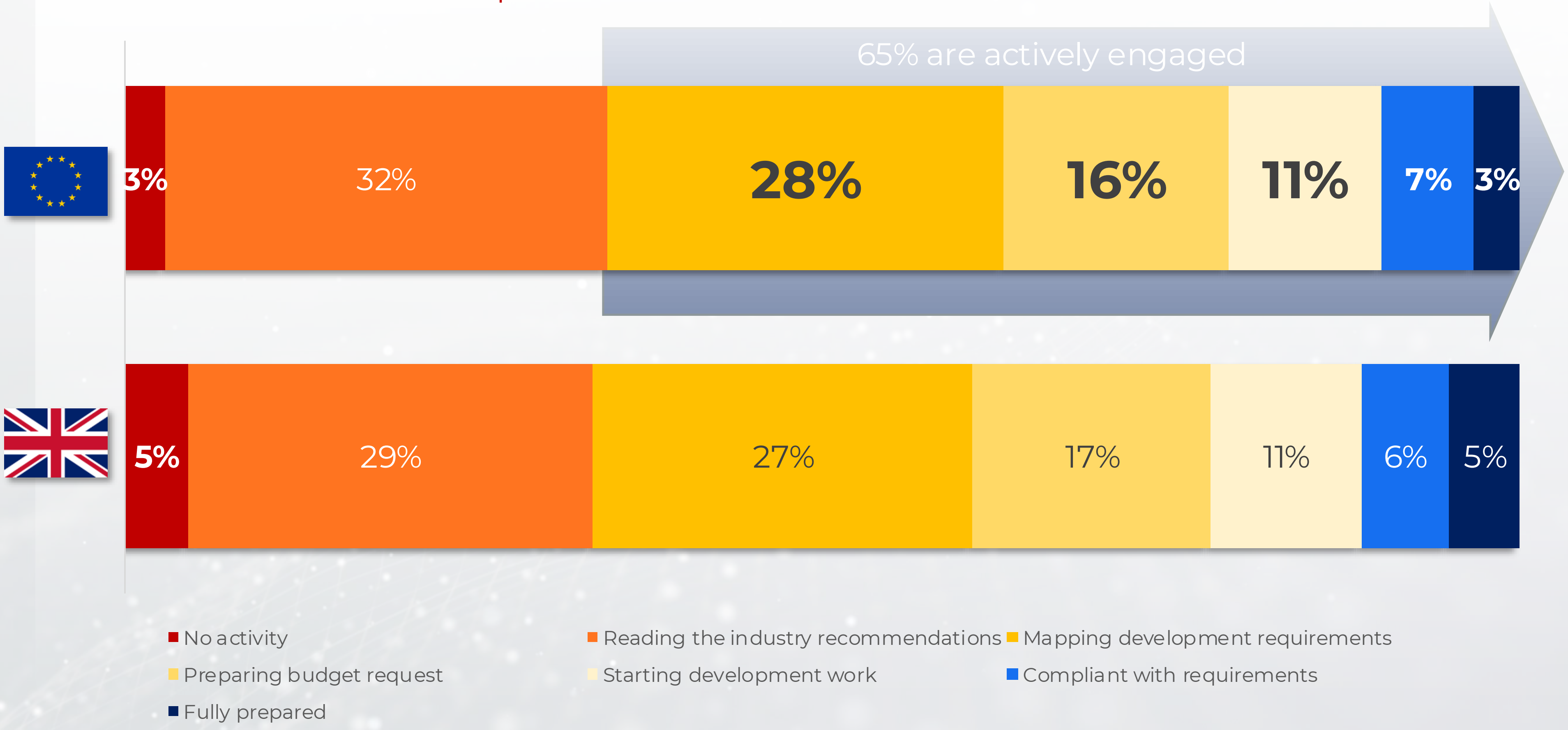
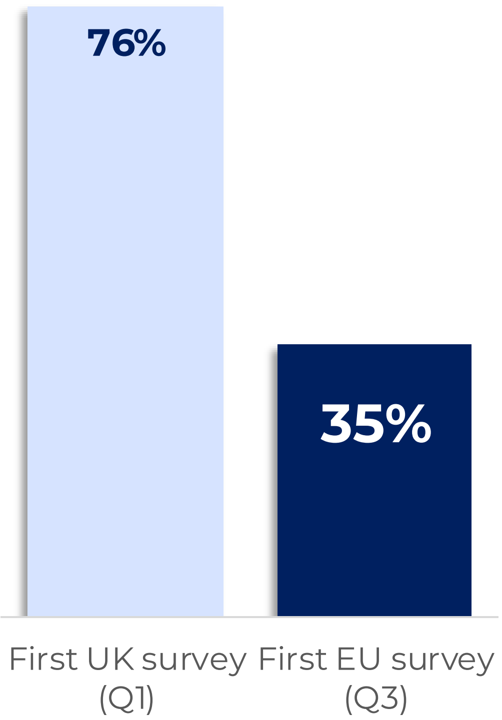
European T+1 in 5 stats

65% of firms are engaged on T+1 in Europe. Despite different starting points, the EU T+1 project is aligned with the UK in market readiness and engagement

Preparation status for T+1 in the EU & UK

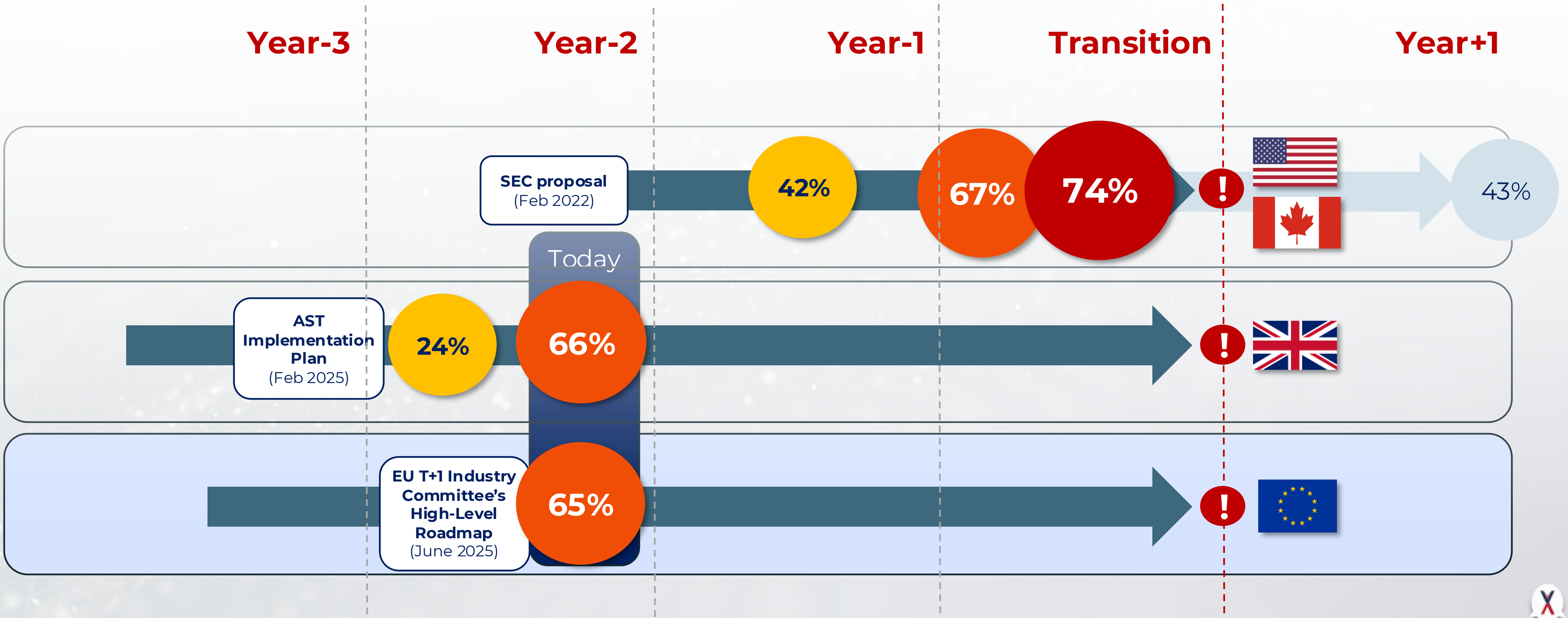


% of respondents still in research mode for T+1



With 65% of firms actively engaged on T+1 in Europe, the industry is two years ahead

% of respondents actively preparing for T+1 by market and by year



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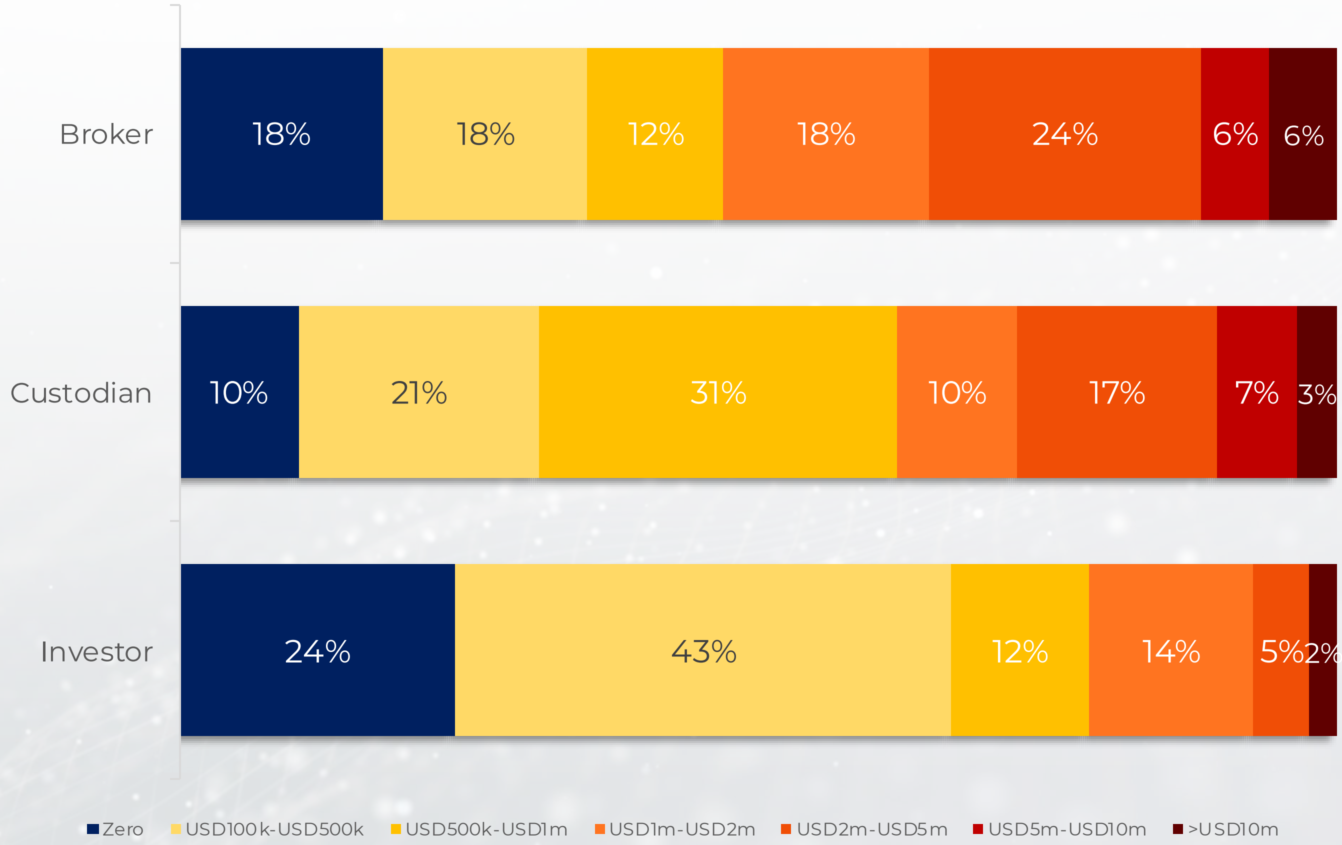
Average expected impact of T+1 on firms
(where 0 = no impact and 5 = maximum impact)

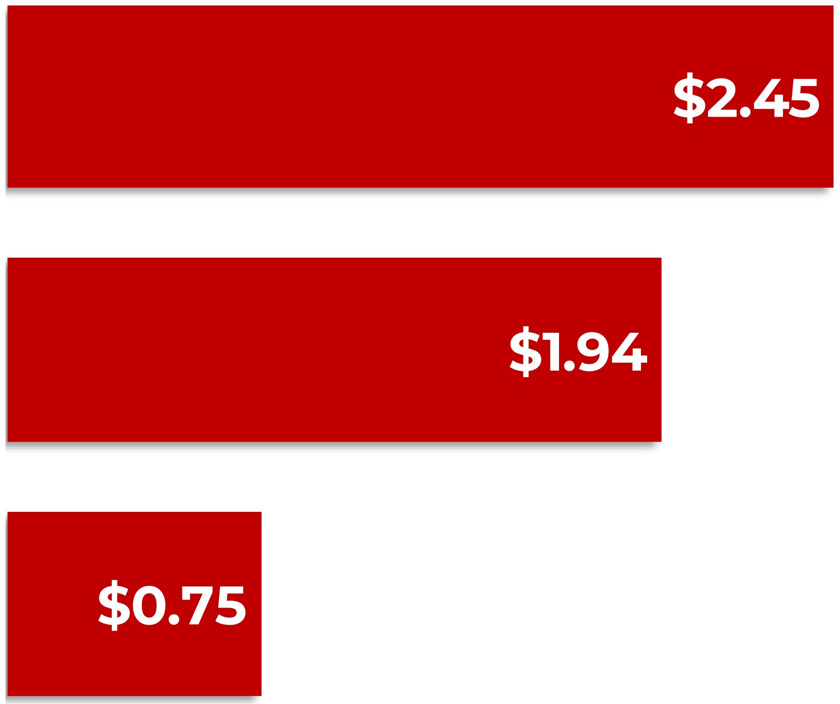
	North America	Europe	Asia-Pacific
Brokers	3.2	3.5	3.3
Custodians	3.5	3.3	2.8
Investors	3.5	3.2	5

T+1 in Europe is set to cost banks and brokers at least USD 2m

Expected total cost of implementing T+1 in the EU (by firm type)



Average implementation cost in USD millions



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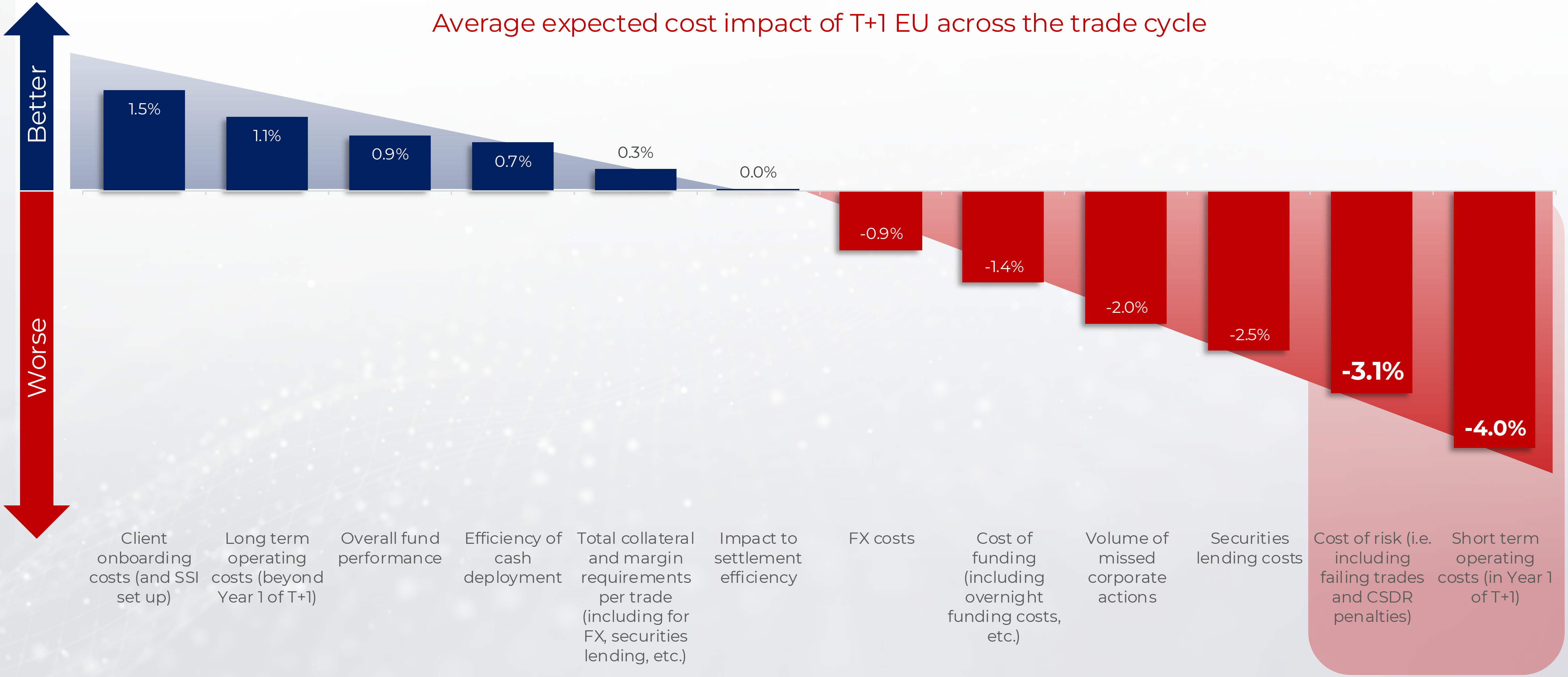

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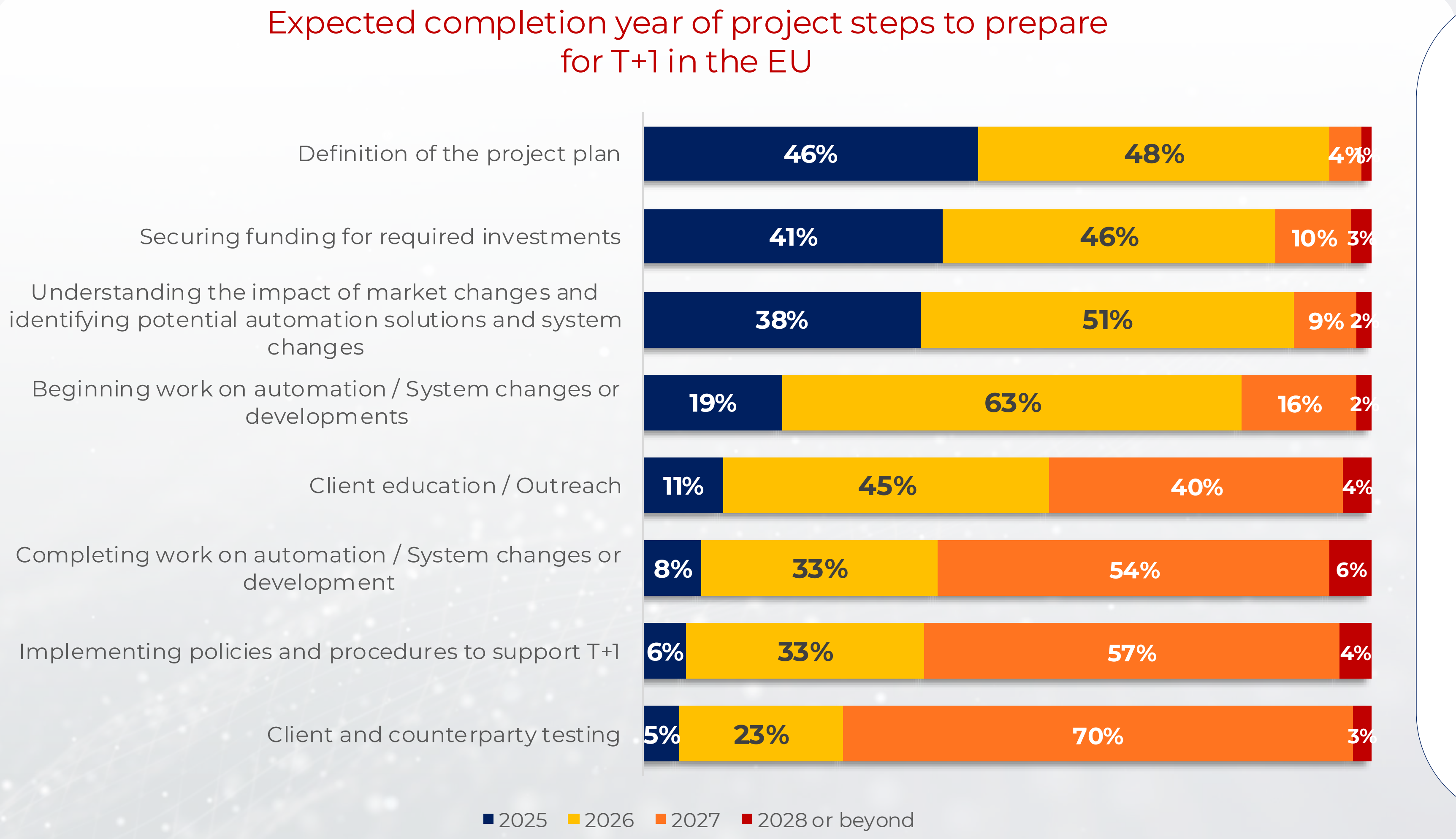

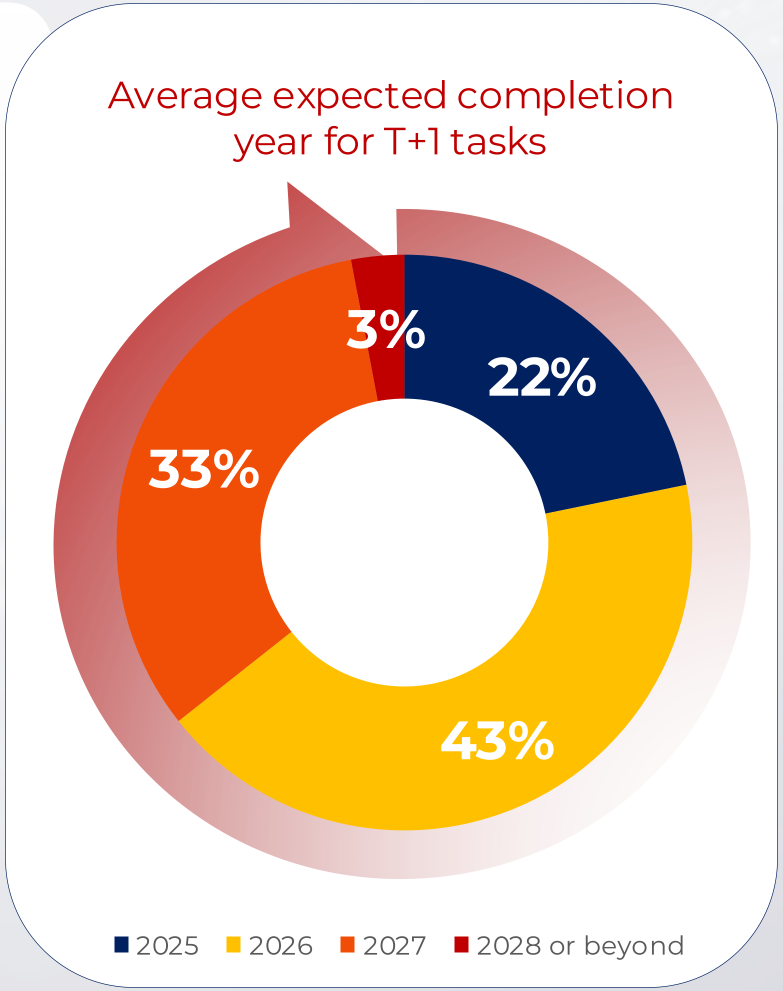

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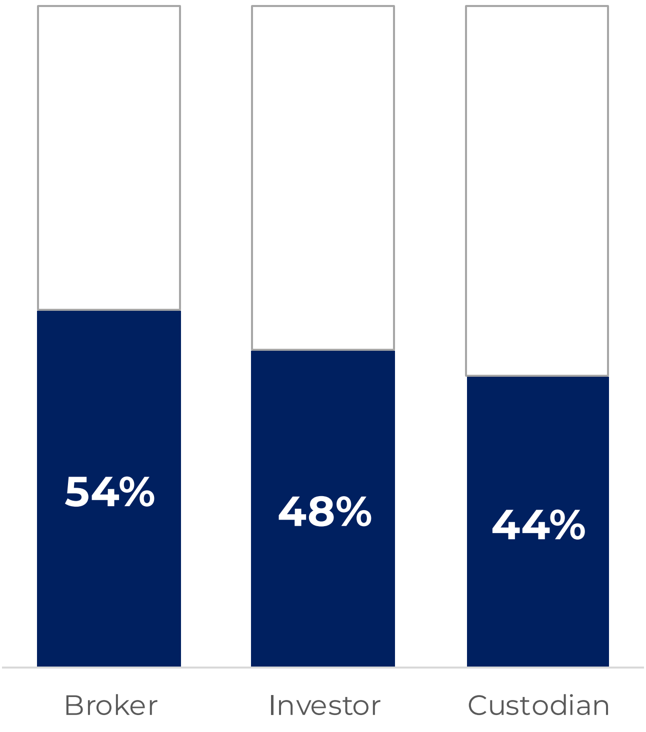
What key risks do we face?

After years of investment into settlement efficiency in Europe, this is now the single biggest area of impact for T+1

% respondents expecting T+1 in the EU to significantly impact their processes

% of respondents expecting T+1 to have a major impact on their businesses



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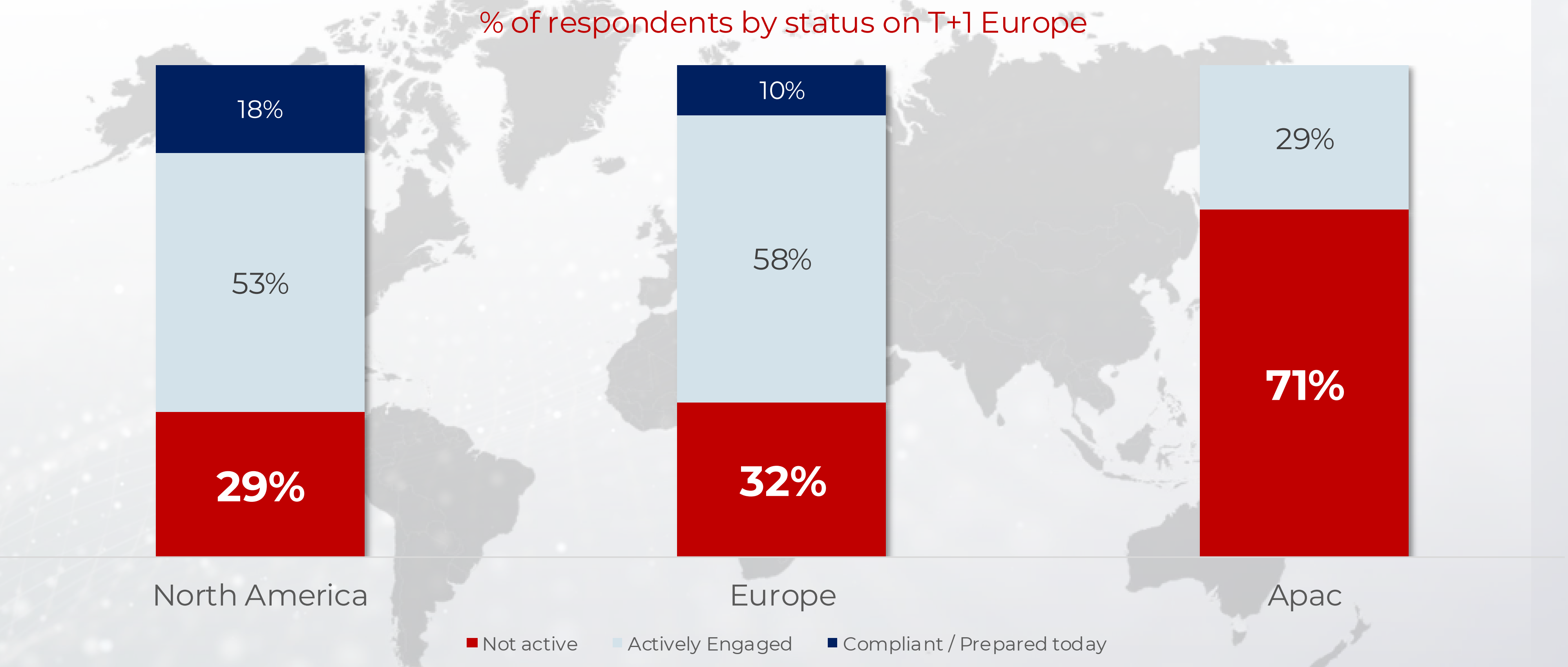

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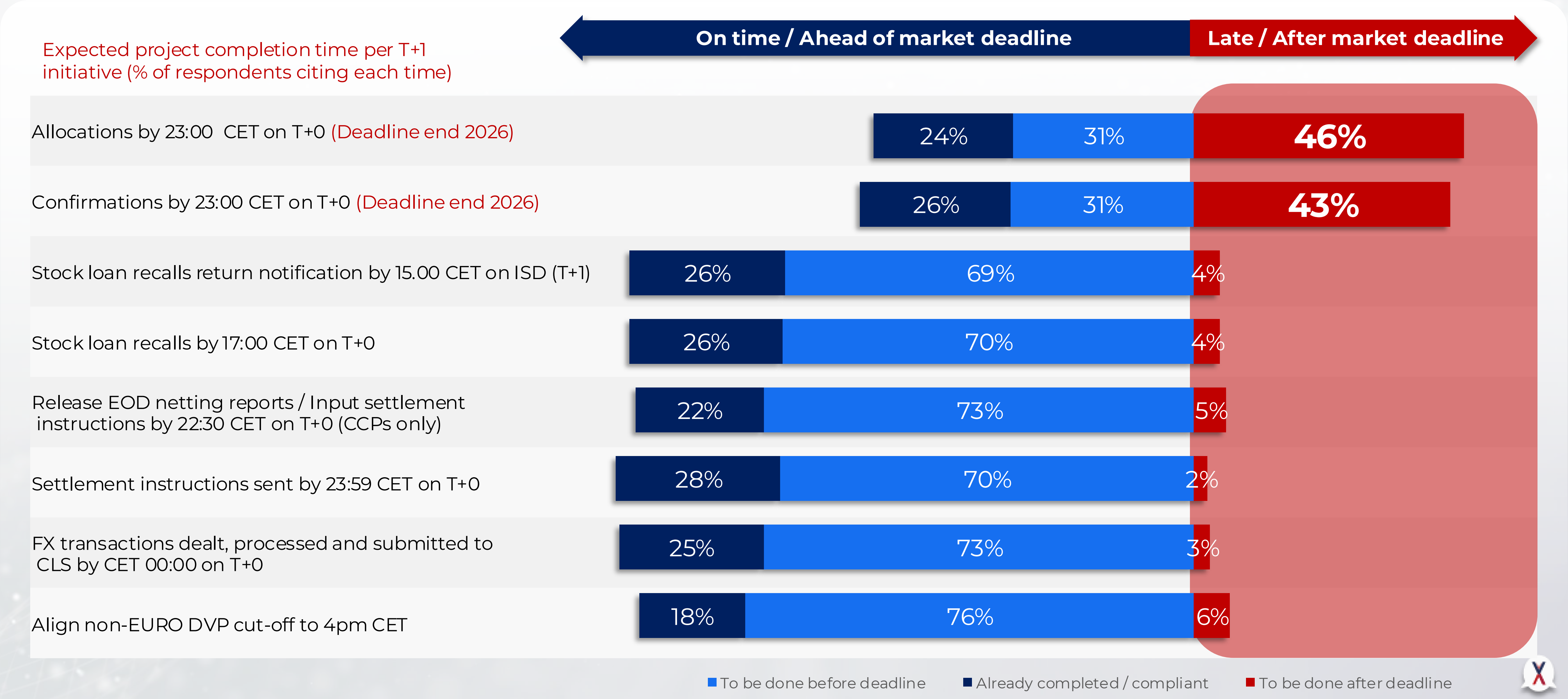
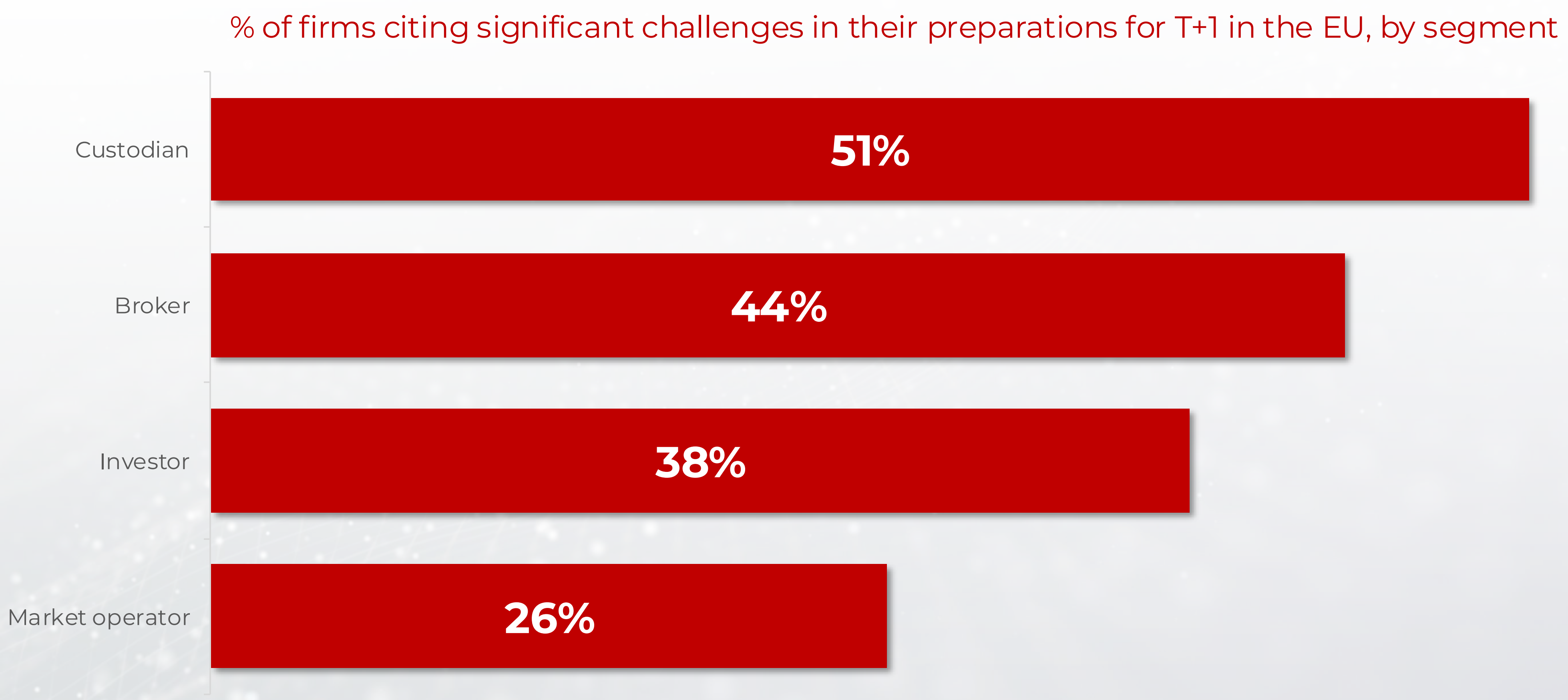


Over 50% of custodians see significant challenges in preparing for T+1 in the EU



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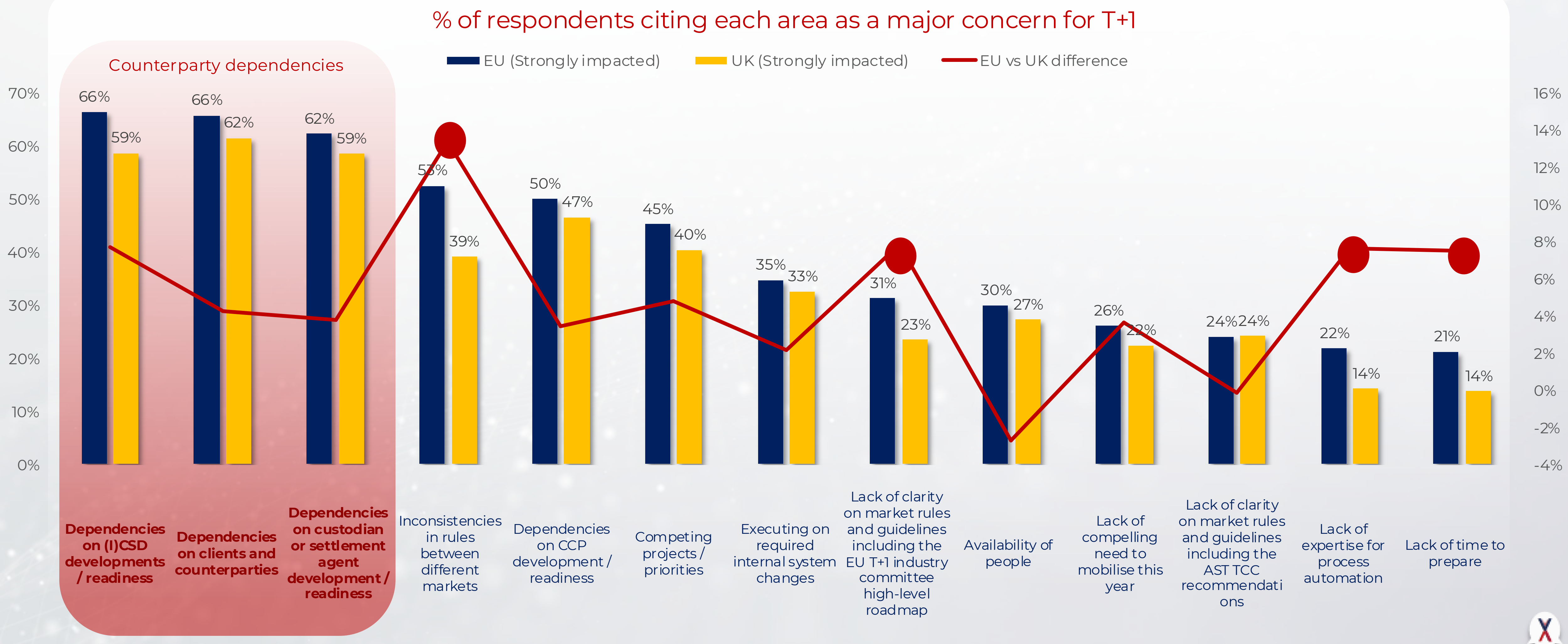
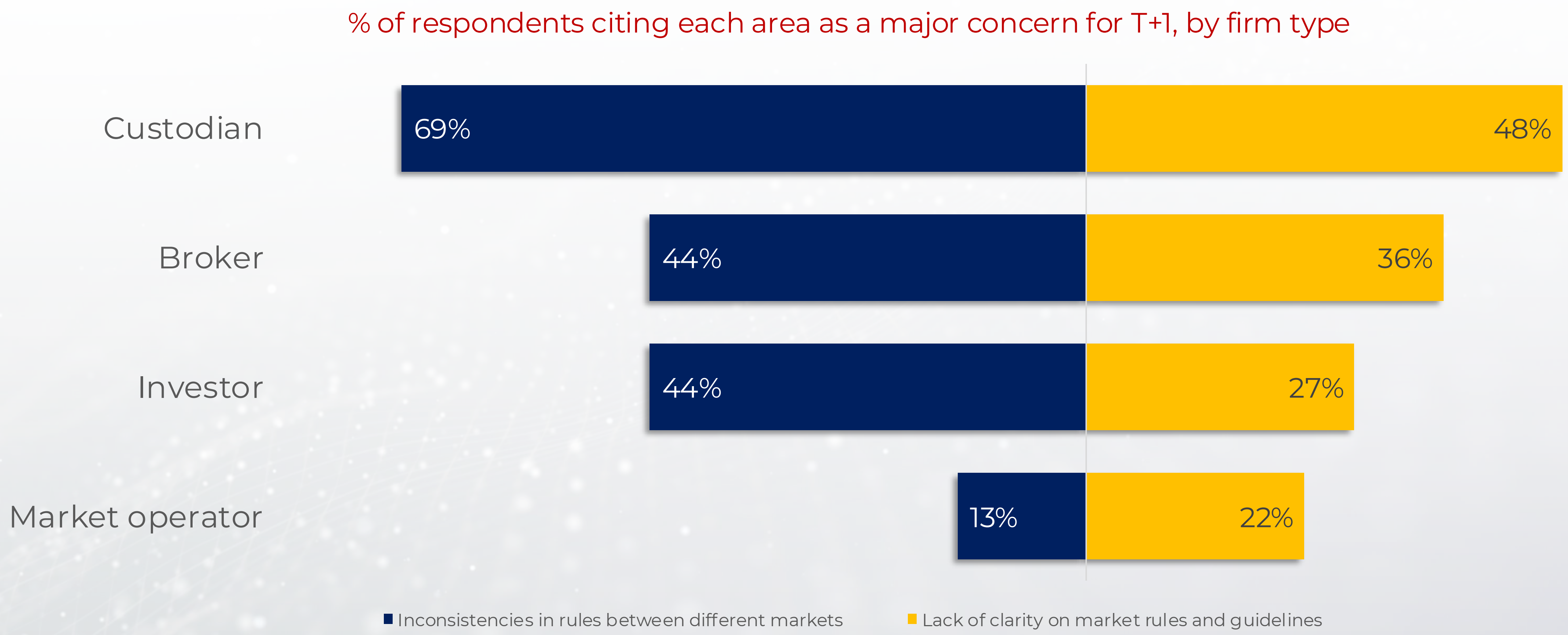


European market diversity is a core risk and a likely cost challenge for 69% of custodians



Less than one third of firms are confident that their service providers will be ready to support them for T+1

% of respondents who are confident that their service providers are ready to support them in the move to T+1 in the EU

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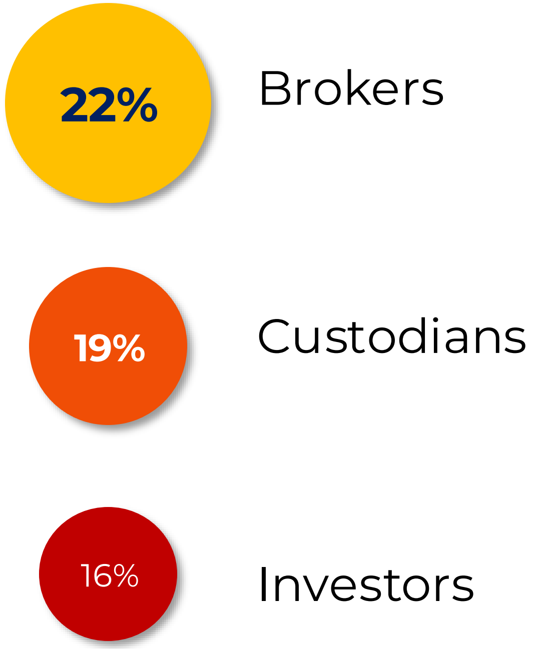

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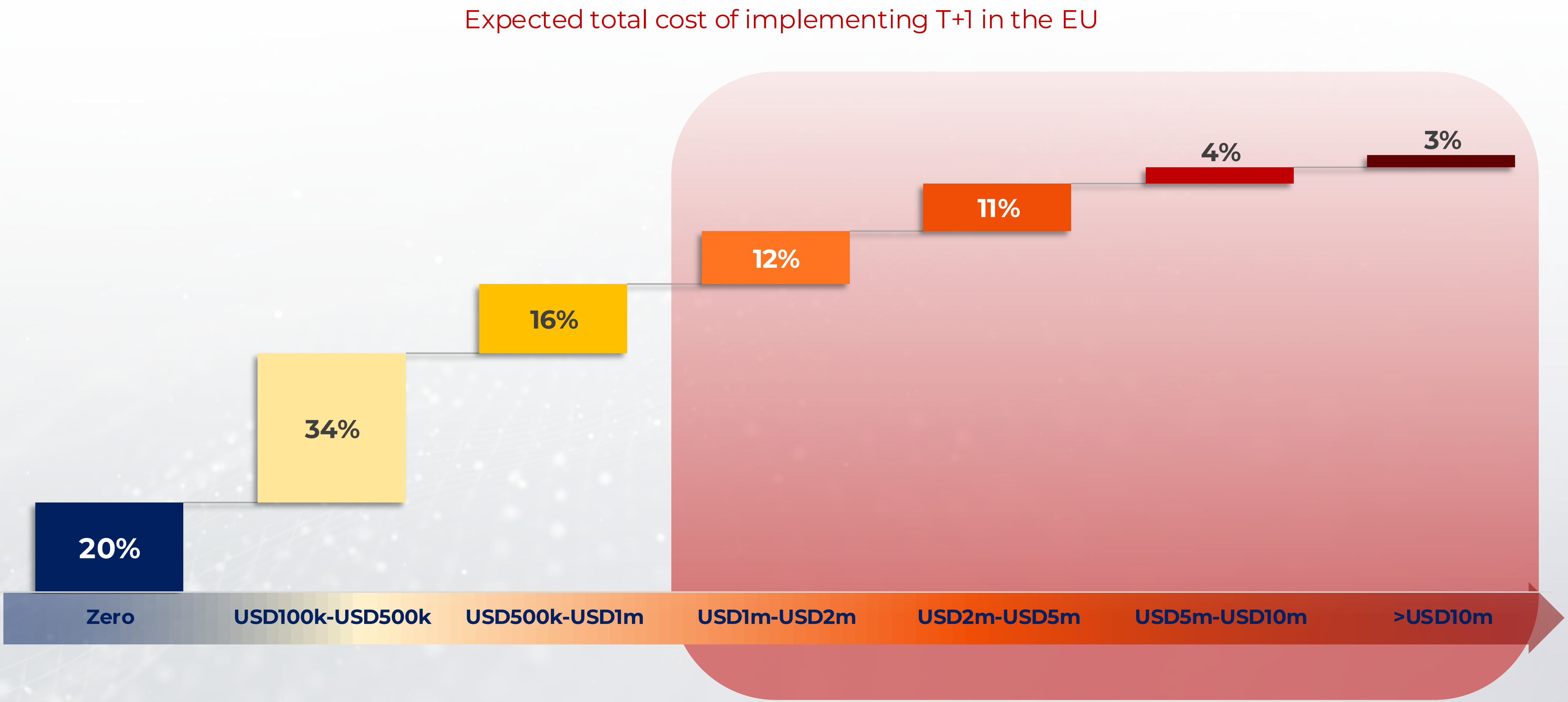

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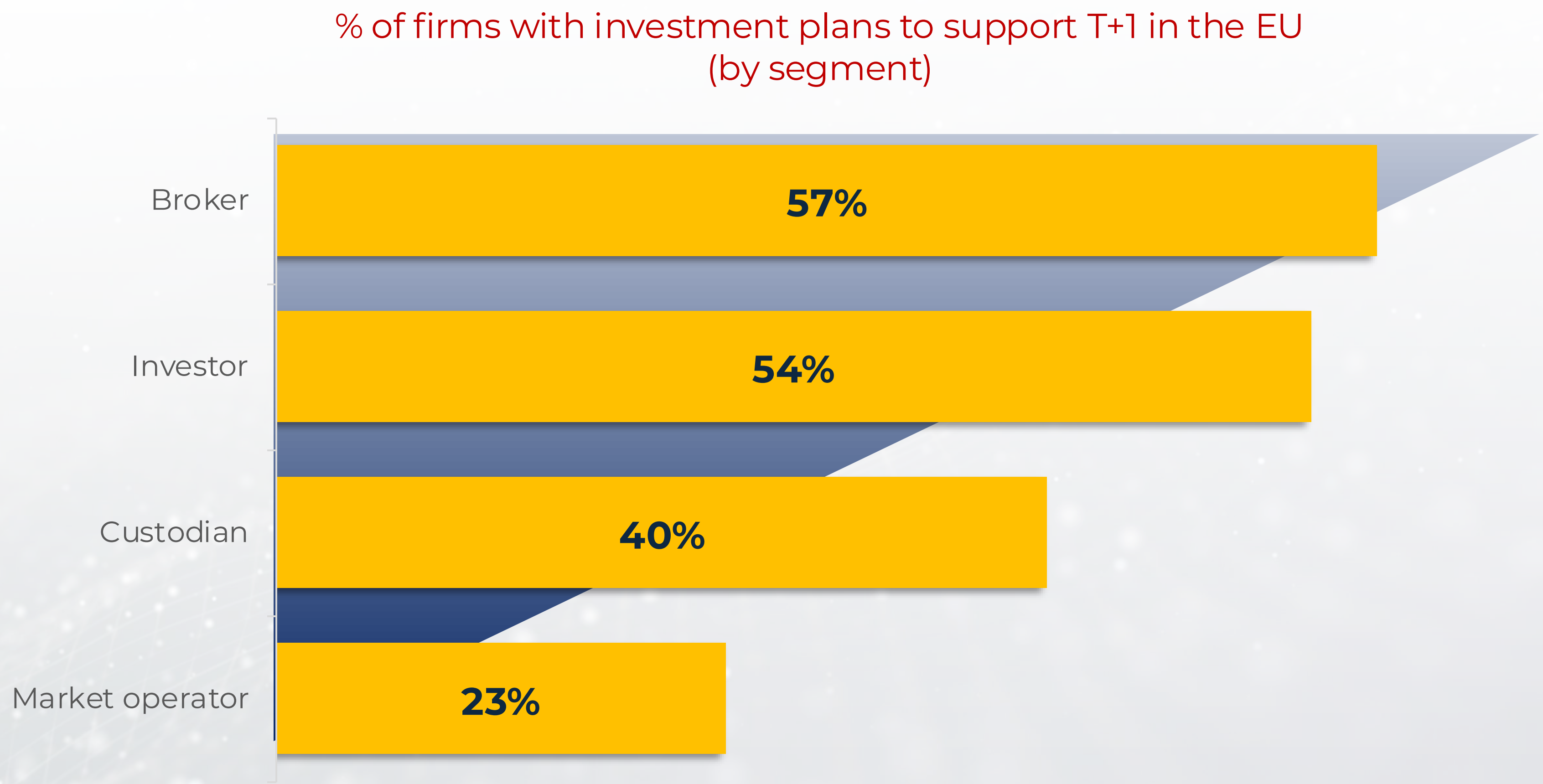

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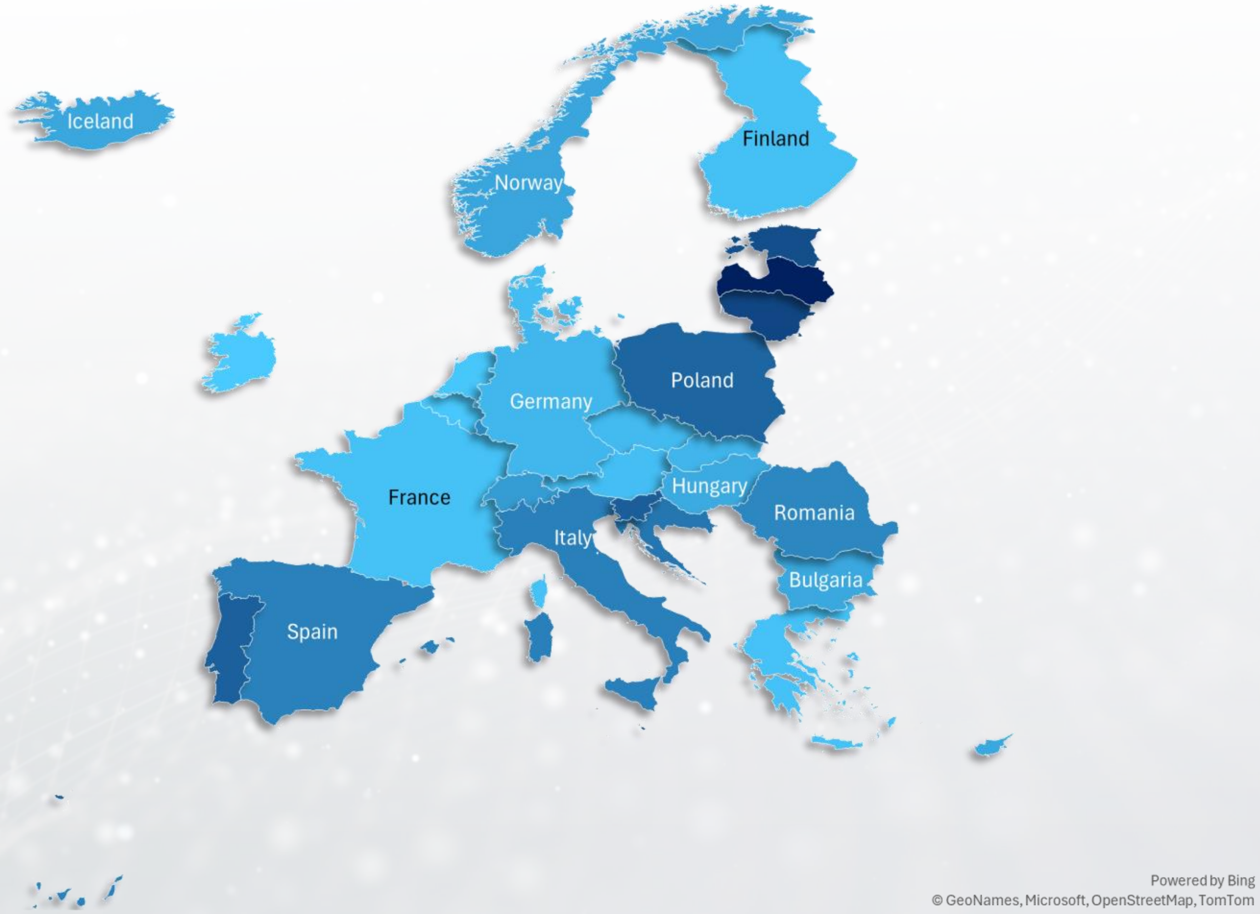
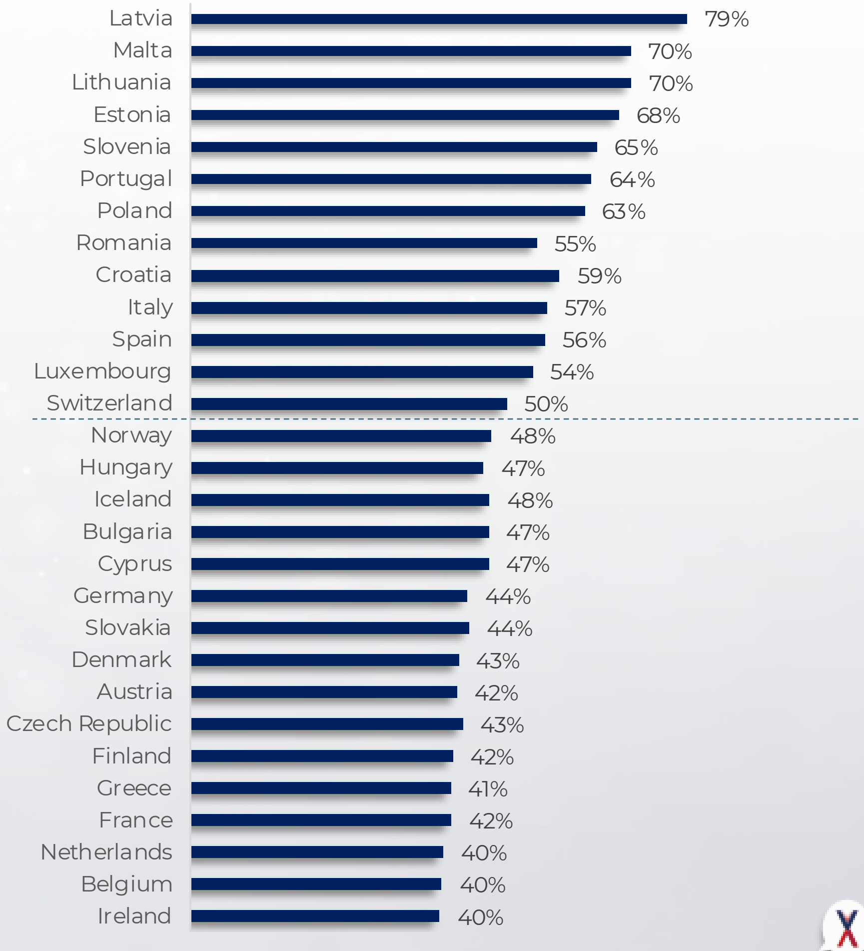
% of investors **into** each market who are actively engaged on T+1





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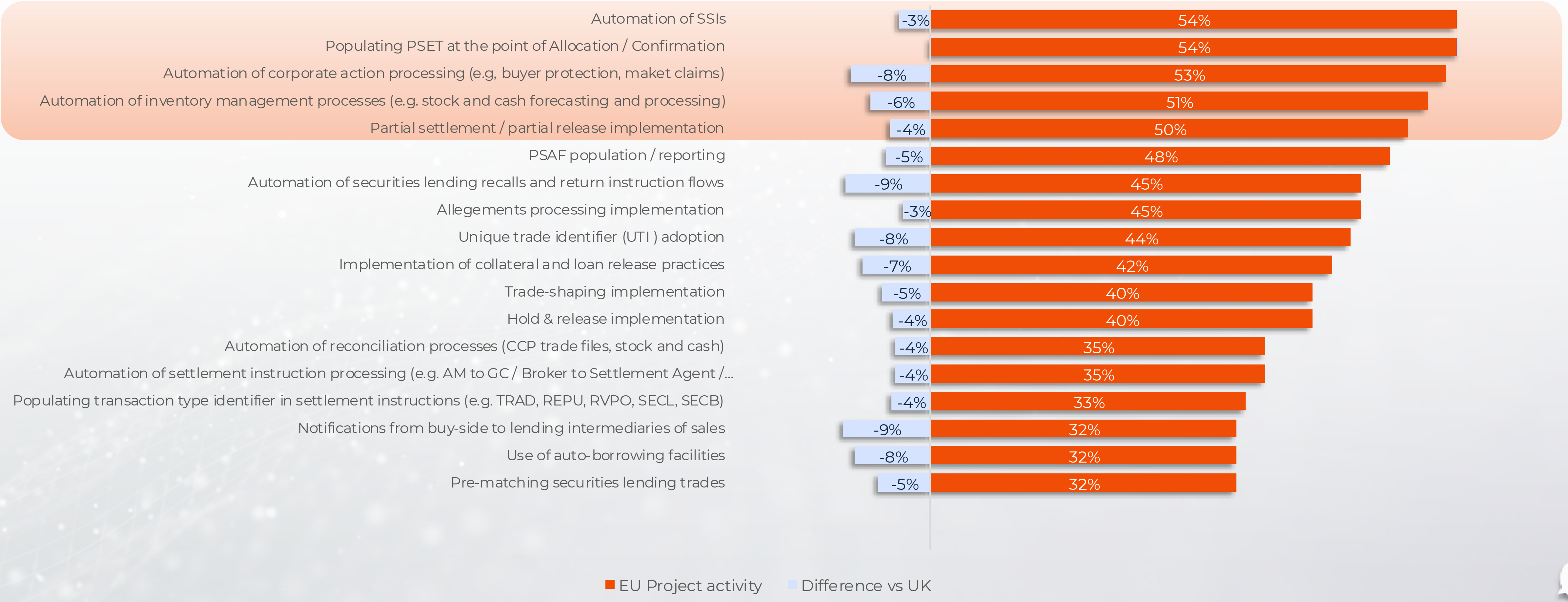
% of firms with planned projects for EU T+1 (and difference vs UK)



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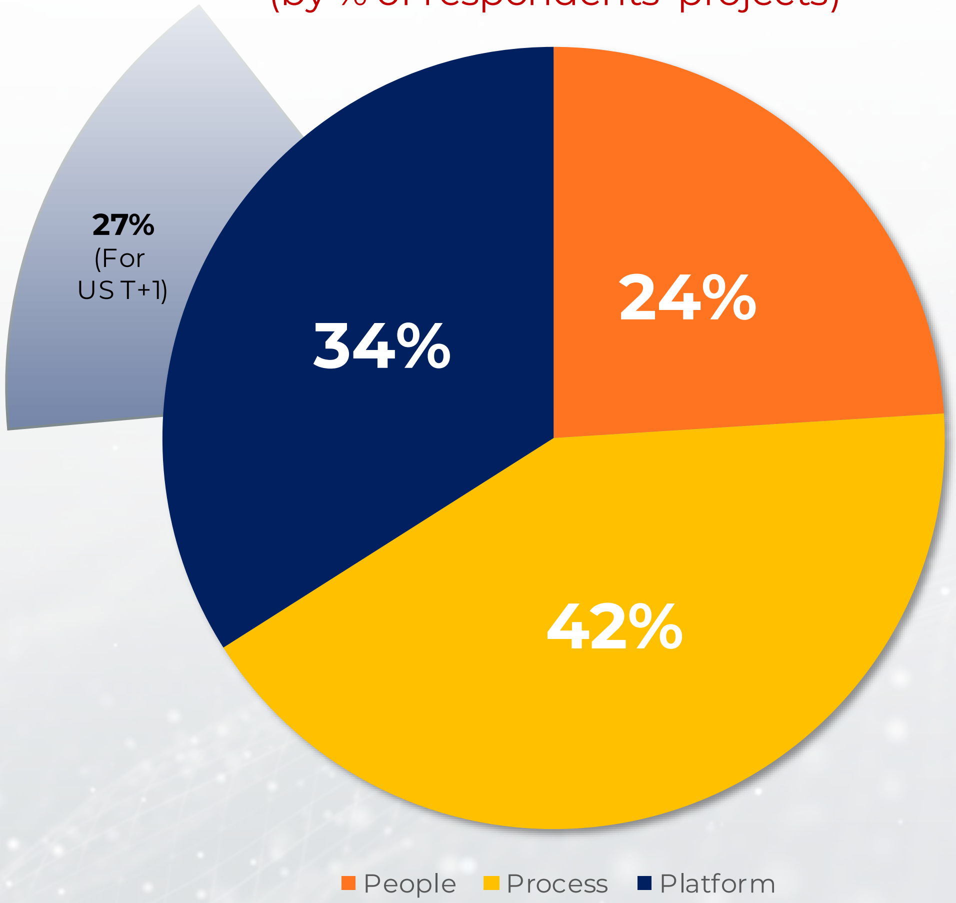
Distribution of T+1 project activity (by % of respondents' projects)



Total expected platform / automation activity for T+1

(% of respondents running platform-related projects for EU T+1, non-exclusive)

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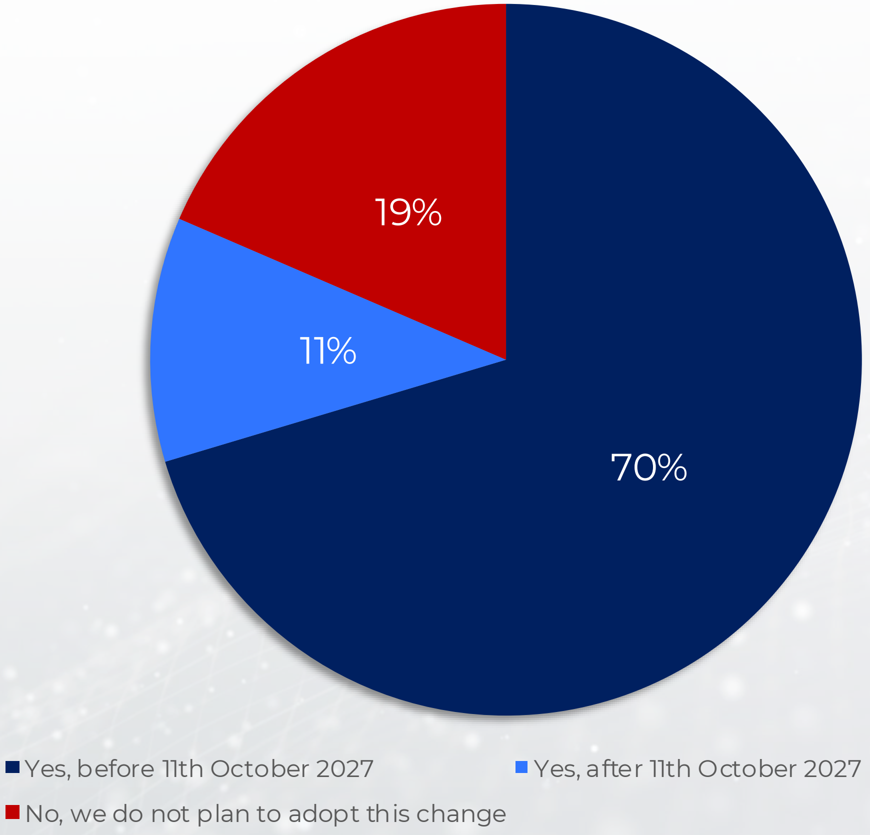
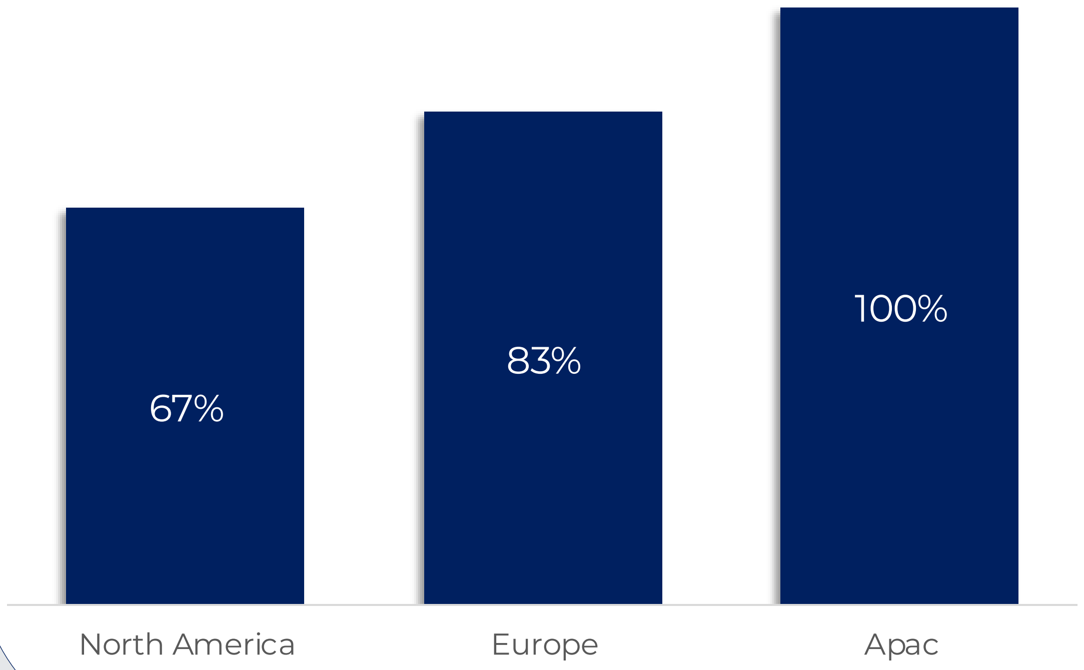
% of fund managers’ plans to change their fund dealing cycle as a result of T+1 in the EU



% of fund managers who plan to change their fund dealing cycle as a result of the move to T+1 in the EU (by region)



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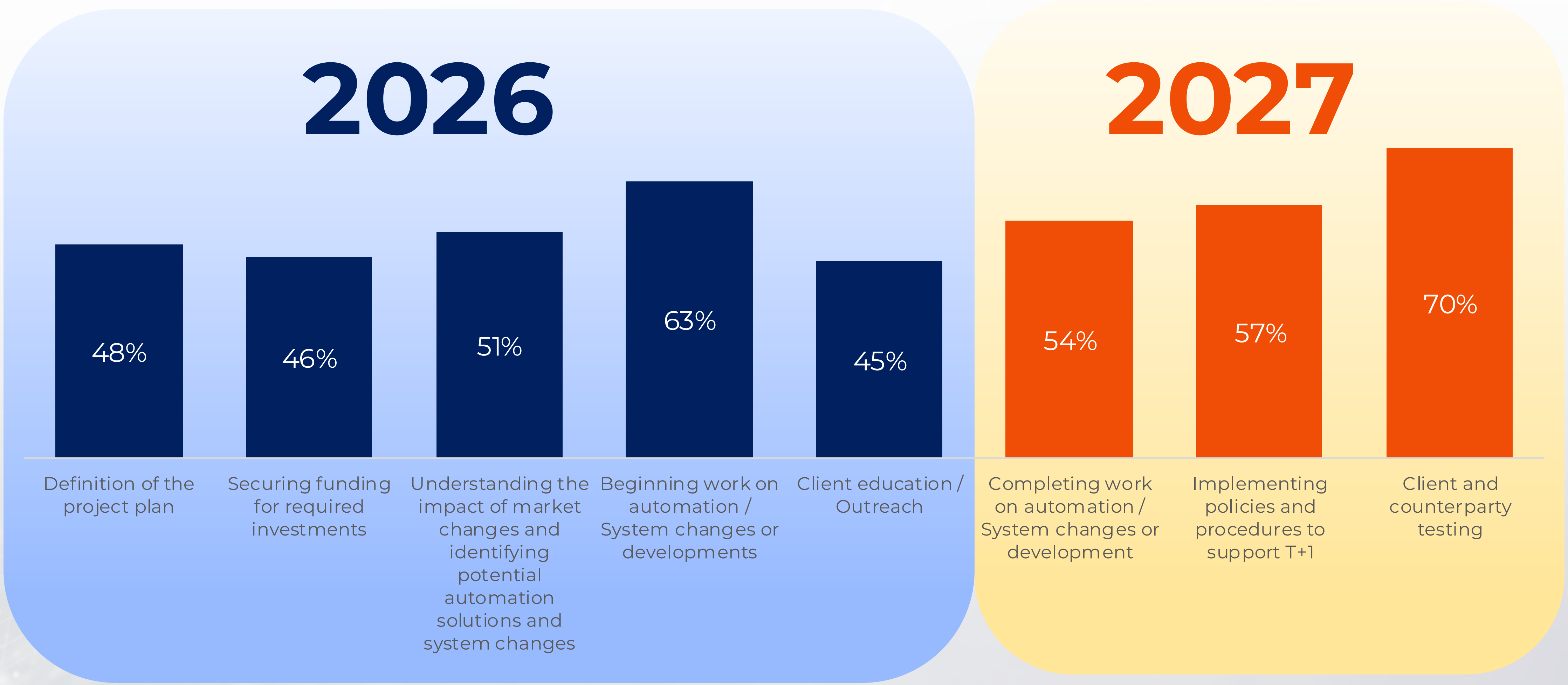
% of respondents planning to work on each phase of T+1, by median year



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