

The Case for re-instating Merchant Acquiring capabilities



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(Re)instating Merchant Acquiring Capability with Endava



Helping banks (re)instate merchant-acquiring capability, fast:

Time-to-Value

Endava's offering allows for fast and secure payments capability by design:

- A non-invasive platform able to integrate with any existing banking system
- Open-Banking ready and GDPR Compliant

Customer-Centric

The offering presents a bespoke merchant portal with benefits including:

- Automated onboarding and access to end-customer insight
- Options for Support: self-service or Endava Service Desk

Cloud-First Design

This solution is built natively on Azure, which allows for consistency, resilience and scale. Azure permits the use of:

- High-level Data Analytics, Al & ML Services
- End-to-End infrastructure and DevOps practices

SME Focus

SME Merchants are a typically underserved market in the payments space. This solution offers SMEs the ability to not only take payments, but also:

- Visualise data and take action
- Create value-adds e.g.) loyalty programs

Endava's offering allows banks to re-instate Merchant Acquiring without requiring the build of a new platform from scratch.

Endava delivering Merchant Acquiring capability on Microsoft Azure



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Endava, a payments platform vendor, and Azure bring Merchant Acquiring capability to life for a major UK Bank

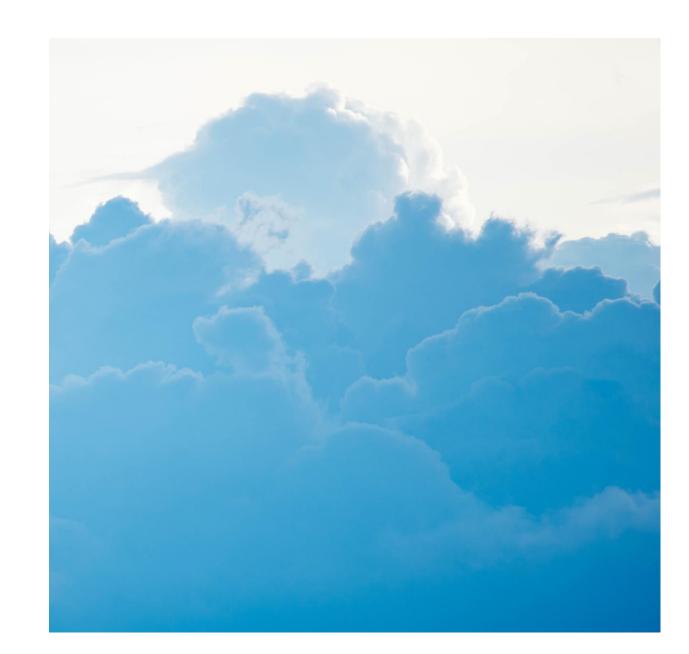


Endava worked closely with a payments platform provider to help develop their core Merchant Acquiring product, bring to market, and implement to a significant customer in the UK Banking sector.

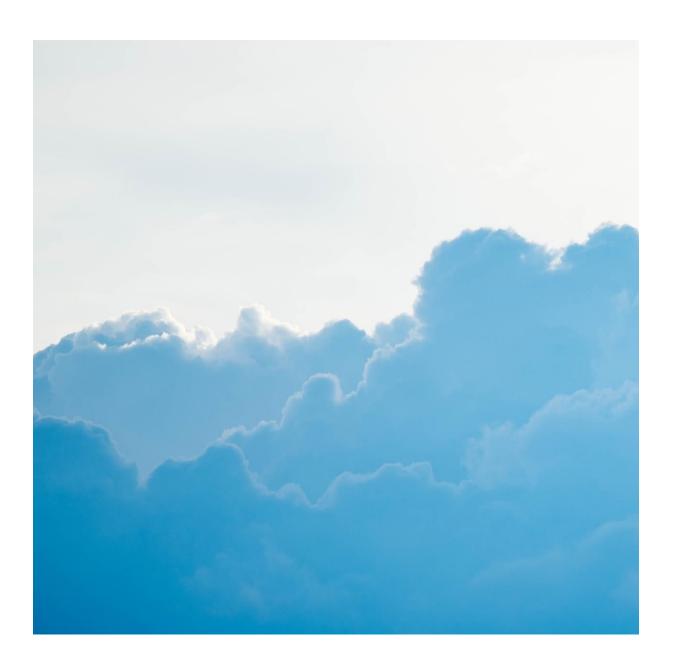
The payments product offers services such as fast Merchant Onboarding to expedite the process to stand up payments capability; a Digital Hub to provide visibility of data and to act as a first point of escalation between merchants and the bank; and a consumer app to cater for Loyalty and Offer programs.

The bank in question chose to brand this capability as a new offering to their business customers in the SMB space.

"[The offering] is the latest development in our portfolio of innovative, customer focused ventures as we seek to maintain our commitment to developing new technologies that enable our business customers to meet the daily challenges they face, whilst also helping to build resilience and provide opportunities for growth."







Win Results

Deal Size:

For a single bank, the total Azure consumption across Dev/Test and Production amounts to over \$2m per annum

Key Dates:

The Platform build with the provider commenced in 1H 2018. The first launch at a Bank was May 2019, and a public launch in June 2020.

Vertical / Region

Financial Services, UK*

*Endava can also deliver this offering across EMEA, the USA, and APAC.



