

Northern Ireland Fintech Companies to Watch

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Northern Ireland has become a global Fintech hub, boasting an impressive eco-system of specialist university research centres, home-grown innovators and international financial services leaders.

The growth of data and computing power, digital and mobile technologies, analytics and automation are driving transformation in the financial services industry, while cyber security and the use of emerging technologies such as blockchain, machine learning and AI are developing rapidly. Capability across these areas is well established in Northern Ireland, which has long held an international reputation for engineering excellence and providing innovative solutions to the global capital markets, asset management and banking industries.

Northern Ireland's Fintech start-up and SME community is thriving thanks to a highly developed entrepreneurial ecosystem, vibrant networking scene and active promotion of sector collaboration. The region has the highest concentration of Fintech employment in the UK, with one in five financial and tech roles in Northern Ireland being in Fintech. Belfast is ranked as a top three Fintech location of the future, after London and Singapore (FDI Markets 2019) and Northern Ireland has been identified as one of 10 key clusters in the UK producing high growth Fintechs (Kalifa Review of UK Fintech, 2021).





Adoreboard adoreboard.com

Belfast-based Adoreboard is a leader in emotion analytics for Human Experience (HX) measurement and a Gartner 'Cool Vendor' for Customer Analytics using AI. It measures and improves Human Experience (HX) by using Emotion AI to unify the experiences felt by both employees and customers. By taking any open text from customers or employees, Adoreboard can decrypt the key drivers of emotions to produce 'Decision Ready Insights'. The technology has been used by companies across the financial services sector including asset managers, insurance companies and banks.



Analytics Engines analyticsengines.com

Powered by advanced technologies, Analytics Engines are the trusted data analytics partner to local and international customers across industry and the public sector. The company empowers organisations with market-leading data-driven insights that reduce complexity, optimise performance and build intelligence. The Analytics Engines team are specialists in data integration and management, machine learning, AI and advanced analytics with experience in devising scalable and flexible solutions that solve complex business challenges.



AquaQ Analytics aquaq.co.uk

AquaQ Analytics is a provider of specialist data management, data analytics and data mining services to clients operating within the capital markets and other sectors. AquaQ provides consulting services to several top tier investment banks, specialising in a range of technologies including kdb+/q, enterprise server technology, cloud and UI technologies. Utilising advanced analytics to manage multiple diverse sources of data (trade, execution, market and reference) AquaQ Analytics helps its investment banking clients manage regulatory risk and reporting and monitor liquidity and capital risk exposures.



AuditComply auditcomply.com

AuditComply is a SaaS-based Risk & Compliance Management platform, trusted by the world's largest Fortune 100 companies. Providing a flexible, easy-to-use solution to actively manage & maintain Risk, Audit & Cyber security programs to the highest GRC standards. Using real-time insights to navigate complex regulations, avoid disruptions and build a more risk intelligent enterprise.



Automated Intelligence automated-intelligence.com

Through a cloud-based GRC platform, Belfast based, Automated Intelligence, empowers organisations to take control of their data. Its Regtech platform AI.DATALIFT, trusted by financial industry leaders, is specifically designed to provide highly regulated financial services firms with unique insight into their data, allowing them to report against their data holdings and mitigate their risk exposure through automated data governance.



Datactics datactics.com

Datactics specialises in data quality and matching software to meet the specific data requirements of firms operating in the financial sector as they prepare for current and emerging regulations, including AML/KYC, MiFID II, BCBS 239, GDPR, FATCA etc. Datactics provides sophisticated tools to help financial institutions including Tier 1 investment banks, retail banks and wealth management firms, get their data in order and quickly respond to new standards, offering agile data quality and powerful matching capabilities for a vast array of data types including person, reference, entity and instrument data.



FD Technologies/Kx kx.com

Kx, a division of FD Technologies plc, is the leading technology for realtime continuous intelligence. Widely adopted throughout the financial services industry Kx combines streaming, in-memory and historical data in one unified kdb+ time series database platform.



FSCom fscom.co.uk

Northern Ireland based FSCom provides regulatory and compliance advisory, assurance and training services in relation to AML, Payment Services Regulations, MiFID II and GDPR on behalf of payment services and e-money, FX brokers, challenger banks and alternative finance providers. FSCom currently works with over 18% of the UK payments sector and actually assisted in the development and implementation of the PSD2 regulations into the UK.

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Funds-Axis is a global funds technology business, offering a single multi-modular platform for a range of investment compliance, risk, regulatory reporting and fund governance requirements across the investment management industry. This is delivered in combination with the highest levels of expert regulatory support and service. The cloud-based technology contains pre-configured rules libraries, advanced breach management tools, automated compliance workflows and in-depth reporting tools through customisable dashboards taking the complexity out of regulatory compliance for clients.

FinTrU

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Founded in 2013, FinTrU is a multi-award winning Regulatory Technology company working on the global stage with the largest Tier 1 Global Investment Banks. Employing over 800 people across offices in Belfast, Derry/Londonderry, London and New York, FinTrU works with its clients' Legal, Risk, Compliance, KYC, and Operations departments to help them meet their regulatory needs and provides efficient and optimised solutions using a blend of local talent, technology and its TrUDelivery methodology.



ISx4
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ISx4 provides business focused Analytics, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning to customers globally. ISx4 create, deliver and manage analytics Strategy Solutions, Services & Support (Sx4). It utilises strategic partnerships, to allow its customers to use fact based decision making to view their businesses through the lenses of Hindsight, Insight and Foresight.



Lightyear
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Lightyear is a global Software as a Service (SaaS) business focused on developing and building cutting edge Fintech products for businesses, accountants and bookkeepers. Lightyear offers cloud-based procurement and invoice processing automation software to SMEs and mid-market companies across the world. Its Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) product increases workplace efficiencies and team collaboration through data extraction and customisable workflows for businesses.

Invest Northern Ireland is the main economic development agency for Northern Ireland. It promotes inward investment and trade from its global network of offices.



LoyalBe
loyalbe.io

Northern Ireland's LoyalBe are on a mission to replace "dumb" paper loyalty cards with its smartphone app. LoyalBe users can earn rewards from retailers by paying with a linked bank card, and data is secured in the back-end using bank-grade security to give users peace of mind. The Belfast-based company, was identified by TechNation as one of the top 15 Fintechs in the UK to watch in 2020.



Regtick
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Regtick is a visually intuitive software platform which simplifies the management of complex regulatory and compliance programmes so that organisations can reduce cost, improve control & collaboration and evidence compliance with regulations on an ongoing basis. RegTick's mission is to completely redesign how organisations 'do' compliance. Regtick is the simple clear path to compliance.



Vox Financial Partners
voxfp.com

Founded in 2016, the Belfast based Fintech consultancy Vox Financial Partners works with top-tier banks and broker-dealer clients in the US and Europe. Vox offers high quality regulatory expertise to enable its clients to plan, resource and deliver major regulatory change projects. Its Opal software is a suite of tools that provide structured contract drafting and management stores documents with metadata to enable easy searching, querying and reporting.

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