The financial institutions (FI) industry is dynamic and constantly changing

2024 will prove to be another year full of opportunities and risks for FIs.

**Opportunities**

- FIs have no shortage of opportunities to help their clients through a volatile economic environment. Their guidance, services and solutions are in high demand.
- They will have new tools at their disposal to manage client relationships as they increasingly develop use-cases for AI and generative AI.
- The outlook is improving for M&A and IPOs creating more opportunities for themselves to expand and grow as well as for their clients.
- Many have already taken proactive measures to shore up their business and talent strategies (e.g., rightsizing) and are better suited to operate in the current environment.

**Top risks**

*Continued from 2023*

- **Economic uncertainty**: Higher for longer interests rates, slowing global economic growth, a retreat away from globalization
- **Geopolitical**: Israel/Hamas conflict, Ukraine/Russia conflict, China/Taiwan tension, Houthis/US and UK led coalition all have far reaching impacts and regulators are watching for geopolitical risk management
- **Technology**: New and disruptive technology including generative AI, quantum computing, cloud computing, expanded fintech partnerships, blockchain, digital wallets
- **Cyber**: Cybersecurity threats continue to be one of the top risks for FIs. Cyber and fraud risks are increasing with new technology, digitalization and geopolitical conflict
- **Regulatory changes**: Complex and evolving regulatory environment present compliance and operational risks

*New for 2024*

- **Political elections**: In 2024, there are the U.S. elections and also national elections in at least 64 countries, with many being polarizing elections.
- **ESG/reputational risk**: ESG has become a highly politicized topic, largely in the U.S., resulting in anti-ESG backlash against corporations and investment philosophies.
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