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# **Strengthening Payment Systems in Asia**

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## **Payment System in the Philippines: Recent Developments**

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### **Abstract**

The globalization of finance and liberalization of trade and financial markets adopted by emerging economies in the last decade have increased significantly the flow of funds among emerging and developed economies. In view of this recent development, emerging economies have substantially reformed their payment systems to facilitate the flow of funds. This paper examines recent innovations in the Philippines' payment system, changes in policies and regulations to promote efficient and safe payment system and the extent to which small- and medium-sized enterprises have benefited from such innovations. It also discusses the impact of the current global financial crisis on capital flows and payment system in the Philippines.