

Business plan – Neoalex – digital fintech neobank

Neoalex is a fintech digital bank – BaaS, which provides financial services through mobile applications and online platforms without the need for brick-and-mortar branches. Neoalex's mission is to provide a simple, accessible and affordable way to manage finances, with an emphasis on modern technology, transparency and excellent customer support. The contractual documentation is concluded for 36 months with a further extension.

Straight UpTrip sro., based in Brno, is part of the neoalex structure, which is the eminent of bonds.

Market and Target Group

Target group:

- Young professionals (18-35 years old): The digital generation that prefers simple and fast banking via mobile applications.*
- Digitally savvy entrepreneurs: Startups and small business owners looking for efficient and flexible ways to manage their business finances.*
- Environmentally and socially responsible individuals: Those who prefer banks that are committed to sustainability and ethical investments.*

Services and Products

Basic banking services: online banking 24/7/365

- Accounts: Personal and later corporate accounts / SEPA / SWIFT payments, Iban CY /*
- Mastercard debit cards*
- Savings: The ability to easily save money with high interest rates and no management fees.*
- Contactless payments: Fast payments via mobile app, integration with Apple Pay, Google Pay, and the like.*

Innovative services :

- Cashback : Automatic cashback on purchases from partners.*
- Investments: Possibility to invest in ETF funds or cryptocurrencies directly through the application.*
- Financial advice: Application with automatic analyses and recommendations for better management of personal finances.*

Strategies:

- Referral programs: A referral system where customers receive bonuses for referring new users.*
- Influencer marketing: Collaboration with influencers and bloggers in the field of personal finance.*
- Social media: Creating valuable content on platforms like Instagram, TikTok, YouTube to increase awareness.*
- Hassle-free registration: Enable easy and quick registration via the mobile app.*

Executive Summary Summary

Project name: Neoalex

Business type: Financial technology company (neobank) BaaS

Location: Slovak Republic, Czech Republic (online access throughout the EU)

Main service: Digital bank account with IBAN, mobile application, cards, loans, spending analytics, integration with fintech tools

Goal: To become the leading Slovak neobank within 5 years

Target market : EU / Central Europe

- Focus: Retail (individuals), later SME (small businesses)
- Source of income: Fees, premium accounts, exchange fees
- Initial capital: 5 million EUR (combination of investors and grants)
- Technology platform: Own + open banking API

💰 Revenue model

1. Free basic account – income from interchange fees (approx. 0.2 – 0.3% of transactions)
2. Premium accounts – monthly subscription (€5–€20)
3. SME accounts (from the 3rd year) – higher fees, additional services
4. Partnerships – for fintechs and marketplaces

🔧 Cost structure

- Fixed costs: Servers, licenses, compliance , core team salaries
- Variable costs: Marketing, customer support, onboarding
- Investments: Application development, UX/UI, mobile platforms, AI chatbots
- Regulation and licenses: BaaS sub - banking license

💰 Budget - Neoalex - fintech neobank (1–3 years)

Year 1 – Initial Budget (the most important year)

✂ Development and technology (total: €225,000)

Item	Amount (€)
Mobile application development (MVP)	100,000
Web interface + API	30,000
BaaS partner (Unlimit)	40,000
Cloud infrastructure (AWS, GCP, hosting)	10,000
UX/UI design, testing	20,000

Item	Amount (€)
Security and RegTech (KYC, AML)	0 / under the contract between Endemol and Cratech /.
Preparation of AML/KYC documents	25,000

Marketing and acquisition (total: €190,000)

Item	Amount (€)
Social networks + performance campaigns (Meta , Google Ads)	30,000
Referral system and rewards	20,000
Influencers , podcasts	55,000
Branding , logo, identity design	0 / within the contract between Endemol and Unlimit /
Events , promo partnerships	60,000
Content marketing (blog, SEO)	25,000

Team and HR (total: €200,000)

(Estimated team: 6–8 people – CTO, CMO, Product , Support , Legal , CEO)

Item	Amount (€)
Founding teams (core founders , symbolic wages)	60,000
First employees/ freelancers (dev , design, support)	90,000
Leads, tools, software	20,000
External consulting (accounting , HR)	30,000

Legal, compliance , licenses (total: €30,000)

Item	Amount (€)
Legal advice (regulation, NBS)	15,000
GDPR, AML documentation, contracts	10,000
Fees and registrations	5,000

Operation and support (total: €50,000)

Item	Amount (€)
Helpdesk software (Zendesk , Freshdesk ...)	5,000

Item	Amount (€)
Rental / coworking	10,000
Tools (Slack , Notion , GSuite ...)	5,000
Current expenses, hardware, testing	10,000
Internal PR, community activities	5,000
Reserve (unexpected expenses)	15,000

Summary – Budget for Year 1

Category	Amount (€)
Development and technology	200,000
Marketing	190,000
Team and HR	200,000
Legal and compliance	30,000
Operation and services	50,000
Total	€670,000

Year 2 and 3 – Growth budget (estimate)

Category	Year 2 (€)	Year 3 (€)
Development and technology	150,000	150,000
Marketing and growth	150,000	200,000
Employees and HR	300,000	500,000
Compliance and legal	50,000	50,000
Operation and infrastructure	80,000	120,000
Total	€730,000	€1,020,000

2. Company description

- **Form:** Ltd.
- **Founders:** Siska Peter, Marián Póša

Collaborators: Daniela Perunková / former branch manager of Raiffeisen Bank /
Rastislav Dzuroška / financial advisor /

- **Values:** Transparency, simplicity, security, user-friendliness
- **Vision:** To modernize banking in Slovakia and offer a fair alternative to traditional banks

- **Mission:** To provide banking services 100% digitally, without unnecessary fees and bureaucracy

Market analysis

Banking sector in Slovakia, Czech Republic:

- Dominated by traditional banks (Slovenská sporiteľňa, Koerčná banka, Česká Spořitelna , VÚB, Tatra banka)
- Interest in mobile banking is growing
- Entry of foreign neobanks (Revolut)

Target market:

- Millennials and Gen Z (18–40 years old), tech-savvy users
- Freelancers , startups , small companies
- Underserved groups (students, foreigners in Slovakia, digital nomads)

4. Products and services

- Digital current account with IBAN / CY /
- Debit and virtual cards (Apple Pay , Google Pay)
- Accounting and expense analytics
- Possibility of savings sub-accounts and goals
- P2P payments, QR codes
- SEPA / SWIFT , ChapterGPT
- AML/KYC onboarding
- Dashboard / 2 FA verification SumSub , email verification, phone contact , sms /

5. Technologies

- **Mobile app (iOS / Android)**
- **Web interface**
- **API for partners (open banking)**
- **Banking core via Banking-as-a-Service (Unlimit Bank)**
- **RegTech tools (KYC, AML)**
- **Security solutions (biometrics, 2FA) SumSub**

Marketing strategy

- **Digital marketing:** Social media , YouTube, influencer marketing
 - **Referral programs**
 - **Partnerships with coworking spaces , startup centers and universities**
 - **Content marketing:** Blog, newsletter , financial advice
 - **Highlighting CY IBAN as a competitive advantage**
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7. Operational plan

- *Partnership with a licensed bank or obtaining your own license from the NBS (medium-term goal)*
 - *Team: CTO, CMO, product manager, UX designer, customer support*
 - *Outsourcing technology at the beginning (BaaS solution), later internal development*
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8. Financial plan (3-year estimate) monthly income and expenses

Year Number of clients Revenue (thousands €) Costs (thousands of €) Profit/Loss

1	25,000	6.mile	2,400	+ 3,600
2	70,000	16,800	6,720	+ 10,080
3	110,000	26,400	10,560	+ 15,840

Source of income:

- *Fee exchange (interchange)*
 - *Premium accounts (e.g. with travel insurance, ETFs)*
 - *Partnerships and affiliate products*
 - *External collaboration with crypto companies*
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9. Risks and challenges

- *Difficulty of obtaining a license*
 - *High competition from abroad*
 - *Regulatory requirements (NBS, EU)*
 - *Building trust with customers*
 - *Cybersecurity*
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10. Conclusion

Neoalex as a fintech The neobank has the potential to fill a gap in the Slovak market. Thanks to its local approach, innovative design and emphasis on customer experience, it can gain a competitive advantage over global players.

Marketing strategy for Neoalex - fintech neobank

Target groups

1. Millennials and Gen Z (18-40):

- Tech-savvy, used to apps, hate bureaucracy
- They are looking for transparency, simplicity, style
- Active on social media, sensitive to UX/UI

2. Freelancers and small businesses:

- They need a quick and easy bank account with billing options
- They appreciate integrations with accounting tools

3. Students and digital nomads:

- They travel, want zero fees and fast onboarding
 - CY IBAN and Apple Pay = plus
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Main marketing goals

- Get your first 15,000 users in 12 months
 - Increase brand awareness and unique IBAN
 - Build a community of fintech enthusiasts
 - Maximize referrals and "viral spread"
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Channels and tactics

1. Social media (Instagram , TikTok , YouTube Shorts)

- Fun and educational videos: "Financial tips", "How to save money", "What is IBAN?"
- Influencers from finance, technology, lifestyle
- Real customer stories ("How I stopped paying bank fees")

2. Referral programs

- Bring a friend = you both get €10
- Gamification of recommendations – leaderboard, rewards, merch

3. Google & Meta Advertisements

- Campaigns on "best bank for young people", "free CY IBAN account", "how to open an account online"
- Retargeting for website and app visitors

4. Influencer marketing & podcasts

- Partnerships with local personalities (e.g. YouTubers, TikTokers, startups)
- Hosting on fintech, business and student podcasts

5. Partnerships

- Universities, coworkings, startup centers - promotions, events
- Connection to student cards (ISIC), discounts via the app

6. Content marketing

- Blogs: "How a neobank works", "Comparison of Slovak accounts", "What is PSD2"
- Newsletter with financial tips, news in the app

7. PR and media attention

- Press releases at launch, interesting campaigns ("first Slovak neobank")
- Interviews with CEOs in the media (Trend, Startitup)

Customer motivation – Bonus program

In case of sufficient turnover on the account, we will provide one of the selected **Netflix, Disney+ or other subscription services for free**, or we will offer **cooperation with local suppliers according to the client's preferences**.

Conditions for obtaining the bonus package:

- The client must achieve **a certain volume of purchases through the account and other transactions** to receive this service package for free.
- Regular monthly expenses and active use of the account will ensure entitlement to benefits.
- Cooperation with partners will allow you to choose from multiple subscription options.

Expected impacts for Neoalex:

Increase customer activity and frequency of account usage.

Higher transaction volume → higher transaction fees. Attractive loyalty program will attract new clients

Possibility of earning **affiliate fees from service providers (Netflix, Disney+, local services)**.

Success measurement (KPI)

Metrics	12-month goal
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Number of registrations	25,000
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CAC (Customer Acquisition Cost) ≤ €20

Metrics	12-month goal
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Number of referrals / client	> 1.5
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Social media engagement	10%+
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NPS (Net Promoter Score) Score)	≥ 60
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Bonus campaign ideas

"Goodbye, fees!" - a viral campaign where people tear up old contracts with banks

- **"The fastest account in Slovakia"** - challenge: open an account in less than 3 minutes
- **"Your bank account, your style"** – design your card according to your needs (customization)
- **Interactive map of bank fees in Slovakia** – education + promo

 Financial plan – Neolex

 Basic prerequisites

Parameters	Value
Period	3 years (annual schedules)
Target market	Slovakia, Czech Republic + later EU
Model	Freemium (free + premium account)
Source of income	Interchange , premium accounts, loans, partnerships
Banking license	First through a partner (BaaS), later own
First version of the application	MVP within 6 months
Average revenue per user (ARPU)	€3 / month in the 3rd year
CAC (Customer Acquisition Cost)	~€10–€20

 User growth projection

Year	Users	% Premium	Premium users
1	25,000	10%	2,500
2	70,000	15%	10,500
3	110,000	20%	22,000

 Income (estimated)

Source of income	Year 1 (€)	Year 2 (€)	Year 3 (€)
Interchange fees	6,000,000	16,800,000	26,400,000
Premium accounts	125,000	525,000	1,100,000
Partnerships (affiliate , API)	62,000	40,000	100,000
Total	6,187,000	17,365,000	27,600,000

Costs (annual)

Cargo type	Year 1 (€)	Year 2 (€)	Year 3 (€)
Development and technology (BaaS)	2,400,000	6,720,000	10,560,000
Marketing and acquisition	190,000	150,000	200,000
Employees and HR (core team)	200,000	250,000	500,000
Legal, compliance , NBS	30,000	50,000	50,000
Operation and customer support	50,000	80,000	120,000
Total	2,870,000	7,250,000	11,430,000

Profit / Loss (EBITDA)

	Year Revenues (€)	Costs (€)	EBITDA (€)
1	6,000,000	2,400,000	+ 3,600,000
2	16,800,000	6,720,000	+ 10,080,000
3	26,400,000	10,560,000	+ 15,840,000

Investment needs and use of capital

Category	Budget (€)
Technological development	2,000,000
Marketing & growth	500,000
Team and HR	300,000
Reserve / buffer	300,000
Total (Seed)	€3,100,000

Category	Budget (€)
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Exit strategy / return

- **Break- even point:** continuous
- **Possible exit :**
 - Strategic sale to a large bank/ fintech
 - IPO (5–7 years)
 - Merger with EU fintech
- **Expected valuation after 3 years:** €10–15 million, at a multiplier of 6–8x ARR

To get started, we will need an investment of approximately: 3-5 million EUR to cover the costs of application development, marketing and initial operations.

Investment Costs:

- Application development and maintenance: 30% of the budget.
- Marketing and customer acquisition: 40% of the budget.
- Operating costs: 20% of the budget.
- Contingency funds and reserves: 10% of the budget.