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#### Panel 2:

Contractual guide on secured transactions (Part Two): transactional advice and regulatory considerations

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#### **OUTLINE**

- I.- Enforcement of a security rights: legal and contractual framework
- II.- Methods of exercising post-default rights/remedies: Effective and efficient judicial procedures (or alternative dispute resolution mechanisms) to facilitate enforcement of rights in secured transactions
- III.- Out-of-court repossession of tangible collateral
- IV.- Out-of-court disposition of collateral
- V.- Secondary markets electronic platforms and limitations

# I.- Enforcement of a security rights: legal and contractual framework

# Remedies/rights provided under applicable legal provisions

Remedies/rights provided in the security agreement

- 1.- Contractual terms providing for adequate remedies in case of defaults
- 2.- Before default, no agreement waiving or varying the post-default rights
- 3.- Compatibility of rights if their exercise is not inconsistent.

# II.- Methods of exercising post-defaults rights

#### **COURT**

**OTHER AUTHORITY** 

NO COURT OR OTHER
AUTHORITY

I.- Applicable legislation may specify different methods or proceedings for types of assets, types of security rights or condition of parties involved: SELECTING AVAILABLE METHODS

II.- Previous requirements to access to available proceedings could be a prerequisite: CARE IN DRAFTING SECURITY AGREEMENT

#### III.- EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT PROCEDURES

#### A). Court proceedings

- Declarative / Executive
- Specific expeditious proceedings

#### B). Arbitration:

- Arbitrability of disputes arising under a security agreement or associated with,
- Enforceable arbitration agreement,
- Protection of third parties rights

# Effective and efficient procedures to enforce rights: possible relevant transactional issues in a model out-of-court enforcement procedure

#### PRIOR TO DEFAULT



#### **INITIATION**



#### **DISPOSITION**

- 1.- Provision in the security agreement
- 2.- Designation of representative
- 3.- Price estimation or criteria to value assessment
- 4.- Notice provisions

- 1.- Competent authority
- 2.- Rules of auction or tender (number, minimum and maximum bids, participation of creditor)
- 3.- Communication with other registries and authorities (insolvency registry)
- 4.- Suspension (abusive terms)

- 1.- Subsequent acts and formalities (cancellation, registration, additional needed agreements)
- 2.- Title of adjudication
- 3.- Additional steps for repossessing requiring court intervention

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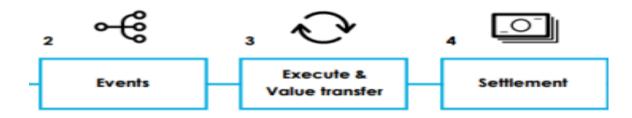
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Notice of default and intent to obtain possession

# Transactional advice:

- A). Drafting the security agreement including clear consent
  - Clearly specifying defaults and related remedies
  - Establishing a process detailing the grantor's collaboration deterrence mechanisms
  - Caution to ensure non-abusiveness of terms
  - Possible limitations on Standard Terms
  - Value estimation and distribution of proceeds (pacto marciano)
  - <u>Smart Contracts and automatic-enforcing devices</u> (i.e. ignition-suspension, AI-based solution, autonomous machines, cancellation of passwords, etc)

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- C). Objection
  - Specifying steps for the repossession process
  - Standards of good faith and commercial reasonableness

# IV.- Non-judicial disposition of tangible collateral

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PROTOCOL for
disposition: method,
manner, time, place and
conditions, actions for
disposition (sale, lease,
license), form of
disposition (assets
individually, in groups or
altogether)



PREPARING THE NOTICE contents, wording, language, time



**GIVING NOTICE:** 

identifying recipients, method, time, and



# GOOD FAITH AND COMMERCIAL REASONABLENESS

- adequate method (public or private sale, auction or tender, lease or license)
- target market
- value assessment

# V.- Secondary markets – electronic platforms: opportunities and limitations

#### MODEL 1: ELECTRONIC NOTICE BOARD



#### **Advantages:**

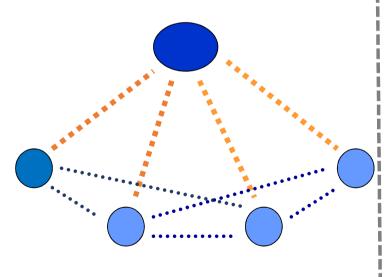
- centralization
- critical mass
- visibility enhancement
- wide but undefined territorial scope
- main entrance to platform (Model 2)

#### Limitations:

- disposition is conducted to traditional methods: fragmentation, territorial limitation and *de facto* decentralization
- no identification of users
- no tracking potential
- secondary market is not created

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#### MODEL 2: ELECTRONIC SECONDARY MARKET – PLATFORM



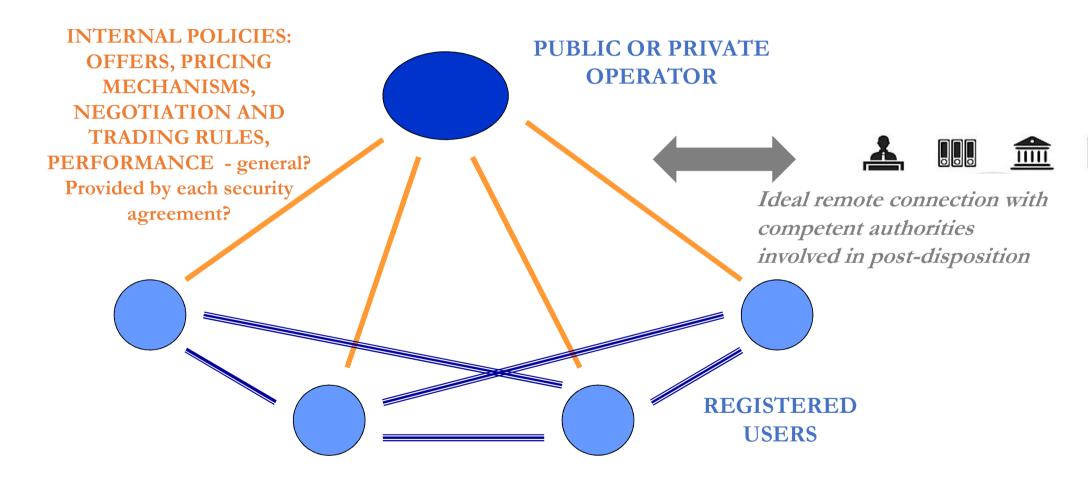
#### **Advantages:**

- centralization
- critical mass
- pre-determined territorial scope
- trust generation
- CREATION OF SECONDARY MARKET
- identification of users
- tracking facilities
- INTERNAL RULES: negotiation and transactions
- efficiency, segmentation and personalization

#### **Limitations:**

- technology dependence
- initial investment
- high level of penetration and experience in use and application of technology

# Model 2: electronic secondary market - platforms





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