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Ginger Baker
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In her current role as Director of the Smart Campaign, Isabelle Barrès leads global efforts to keep clients first in microfinance. She is a member of the Center for Financial Inclusion’s management committee and comes to the Smart Campaign with more than 20 years’ experience in microfinance and the formal banking sector. From 2007 to 2010, she managed Kiva’s microfinance operations and developed its global strategy to maximize social impact. She helped create the Microfinance Information Exchange (MIX) in 2002, and led its strategic initiatives until 2007. Ms Barrès has been a key contributor to best practice publications on standards and financial performance monitoring, and is a founding member of Women Advancing Microfinance, the only organization for female professionals in microfinance. She holds a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from the University of Montréal in Canada, an MBA from McGill University in Canada, and a postgraduate degree in Development Economics from La Sorbonne University in France.

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Tillman Bruett has 20 years of experience in commercial banking, microfinance, and financial inclusion. He is currently the Programme Manager of UNCDF’s Mobile Money for the Poor, an initiative to make mobile and branchless financial services available to low income and rural households in less developed countries. He joined UNCDF in 2008 to start the Pacific Financial Inclusion Programme. Mr Bruett co-founded Alternative Credit Technologies in 2000, a consulting company specializing in building inclusive financial systems. He also facilitated SEEP’s financial services working group for four years, taught regularly at Georgetown University and was an adjunct professor at Johns Hopkins SAIS. Earlier in his career Mr Bruett was a banker, working as a credit analyst and client manager with Chemical Bank’s international division in New York in the 1990s. In 1996 he joined FINCA International where he helped to start, monitor and assess FINCA’s microfinance institutions. While he was there he also managed a global credit and guarantee facility.

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Sambou Coly has over 20 years of experience in the fields of microfinance and banking. He has funded several microfinance institutions and led investments in greenfield commercial microfinance in West Africa. He also participated in the investment of a high-growth SME investment fund along with growth-related projects with smallholder farmers. Prior to joining the Foundation, Mr Coly was the Country Manager for Oikocredit in Senegal and was on the board of several Microfinance Institutions. He holds an MBA from the Université du Québec à Montréal, a Diploma from HEC Montreal and a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from the Université de Montréal.

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**Stefan Hunt**  
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Professor
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Consultant, Responsible Financial Access, Finance & Markets
The World Bank Group

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Antonique Koning works as Financial Sector Specialist with CGAP’s Customers at the Center Initiative on customer empowerment. She has been at CGAP since 2004. In the last few years, she has focused on issues related to responsible finance and is a member of the Social Performance Task Force Steering Committee. She has also worked closely with donors and investors to help them improve the quality of their funding for financial inclusion. Ms Koning has led CGAP’s Africa team and coordinated CGAP’s regional representatives in Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe, and Central Asia. She has also managed the Microfinance Framework Program, a capacity-building program for microfinance actors in sub-Saharan Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific. Before joining CGAP, Ms Koning
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**General Manager, Legal, Risk and Compliance**  
**Resolution Group**  
**Airtel Money Africa**  
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**Ayşen Kulakoğlu**  
**Co-Chair, G20-GPFI Troika**  
**Head of Department, Undersecretariat of Treasury,**  
**Turkey**  
Ayşen Kulakoğlu is currently Head of Department for Bilateral Economic Relations and Coordination at Turkey’s Undersecretariat of Treasury. She is also Co-Chair of the G20’s Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPFI) Troika, and Co-Chair of the GPFI’s SME Finance sub-group. Ms Kulakoğlu started her career with the Treasury and served in several departments at the General Directorate of Foreign Economic Relations, dealing with issues related to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). She also served as the Economic Counselor at the Turkish Embassy in Washington DC. She was most recently Head of Department for World Bank Projects at the Treasury. Ms Kulakoğlu holds a BA in Economics from Ankara University, and an MA in Economics from Michigan State University, US.

**Andrew Lake**  
**Principal Operations Officer, Digital Financial Services Practice**  
**International Finance Corporation**  
Andrew Lake is a Principal Operations Officer in IFC’s Digital Financial Services Practice. Prior to joining IFC, he co-owned and ran a management consultancy, which specialized in mobile and electronic banking. Before entering the consulting environment, he started and managed two full commercial mobile banking operations, one in South Africa (MTN Banking) and one in Bahrain (MODE, known as Zain Me2U). He took both of these organizations from concept to the end of their first year of trading. In addition to these two, Mr Lake has supported the development and improvement of processes of a number of other electronic banking service companies in various countries. He firmly believes that electronic banking is a sustainable mechanism to expand the reach of responsible banking to the unbanked, in a manner that is beneficial to both the new clients and the enterprises delivering the services. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Accountancy, Information Systems and Quantitative Management from the University of South Africa.
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Jason Lamb is the Deputy Director, Global Engagement, for the Financial Services for the Poor initiative at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Prior to joining the foundation in 2009, Mr Lamb spent six years at Washington Mutual Bank, where he managed the Consumer Checking portfolio, product strategy and team. He also managed the operational risk strategy for the retail bank and was an organisational consultant to the Executive Committee and their teams. Mr Lamb gained experience in the financial institutions sector during his seven years at McKinsey & Company, where he advised banks in Central and Eastern Europe, Africa, and North America. He was a founding member of the McKinsey Budapest office. Mr Lamb holds a BA in Economics and History from the University of California, Davis, and an MBA from the Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan.

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Tim Lyman joined CGAP in 2005 to lead the Government and Policy Team as Senior Policy Adviser. In this capacity, he focuses primarily on regulatory and supervisory issues in financial inclusion. He is a co-author of CGAP’s Guide to Regulation and Supervision of Microfinance and began the group’s pioneering Focus Notes series on branchless banking regulation. He also leads CGAP’s work to incorporate consideration of financial inclusion in the work of the global financial sector standard-setting bodies, including as lead Implementing Partner on the workstream of the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion focused on the standard setters. He co-chaired the Basel Committee’s Microfinance Workstream, which led to the publication in August of 2010 of Microfinance Activities and the Core Principles for Effective Banking Supervision – the Basel Committee’s first ever guidance on a financial inclusion topic. He currently serves as Vice Chair of the Financial Inclusion Workstream of the Basel Consultative Group. For much of Mr Lyman’s career he worked as a Partner in the law firm of Day, Berry & Howard (now Day Pitney) and served as President of the Day, Berry & Howard Foundation. He holds a Bachelor’s degree from Harvard University and a Law degree from New York University School of Law.

Richard Leftley began working in microinsurance in 2002 when he joined Opportunity International, a leading microfinance provider. He pioneered the introduction of insurance products within the Opportunity Network, which led to the establishment of MicroEnsure in 2006. A leading insurance intermediary for the mass market, MicroEnsure provides life, health and weather index insurance to over 15 million people in 16 countries in Africa and Asia. In 2007, MicroEnsure was awarded a US$24.3m grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to expand its pioneering microinsurance services and experiment with a wider range of distribution channels. Mr Leftley also served on the steering committee of the International Labor Organization (ILO) “Micro Insurance Innovation Fund”, a US$35m fund provided by the Gates Foundation. He is currently a member of the Micro Insurance Network Board. Before joining Opportunity International, Mr Leftley worked as a reinsurance broker at Benfield Greig (now Aon Benfield), focusing on Africa, the Middle East and Southeast Asia.

Chen Long is the Chief Strategy Officer of Ant Financial Services Group, a subsidiary of Alibaba Group. He was previously Professor of Finance at Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business, with research specialities in empirical asset pricing and asset pricing theory, corporate financing and payout decisions. He was also the Associate Dean of CKGSB’s DBA Program and Alumni Affairs, and Director of the Asset Valuation Center and Internet-Big data-Finance Center. From 2001 to 2008, Dr Chen was Assistant Professor of Finance at Michigan State University, where he received an Excellence in Teaching award. He currently serves as a referee at numerous finance journals, including the Journal of Finance, Review of Financial Studies, and Journal of Money, Credit and Banking. Dr Chen’s business exposure includes two years working in an import and export corporation in China and one year as a professional trader in the commodity futures market. He received his PhD in Finance from the University of Toronto.
BIOGRAPHIES

Tamara Lordkipanidze
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Tamara Lordkipanidze has more than 16 years’ experience in social, economic and financial issues in more than 30 countries. She is a founder of Merani Consulting, an independent company focused on project management, program evaluation, financial services, competition and regulatory issues, consumer protection and financial literacy, investment, and development -- including in the energy and water sectors. Donors and international agencies that Ms Lordkipanidze has worked with include the World Bank; the Russian Ministry of Finance; the UK Department of International Development and Foreign Office; the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the development agencies of Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, Germany and Canada; the European Commission; the Eurasia Foundation; the Open Society Institute; and various UK trusts. Ms Lordkipanidze specializes in economic development and financial analysis of institutional, competition, regulatory and public policy issues. She has extensive experience in the areas of financial education and financial literacy, in the UK, Russia, Scandinavia and elsewhere. Her roles have included Chief Executive Officer of Lambeth Savings and Credit Union, a financial cooperative with more than 3,000 members. In 1998-1999, Ms Lordkipanidze served on the Advisory Board for consumer protection in Georgia, personally appointed by President Shevardnadze. Ms Lordkipanidze has Master’s degrees in Economics and Financial Administration.

Graham Macmillan
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Citi

Graham Macmillan is Director of Corporate Citizenship Partnerships at Citi and a Senior Program Officer at the Citi Foundation. He develops and leads partnerships that enhance Citi’s reputation by working with internal and external business partners to drive social and economic impact. For the Citi Foundation, he designs and makes grant investments in program initiatives that advance the Citi Foundation’s economic progress mission. Mr Macmillan joined the Citi Foundation in 2010 as Program Officer for Microfinance and Enterprise Development. Prior to Citi, he was Senior Director of VisionSpring, an award-winning social enterprise selling consumer products to promote economic development, and a Director of Business Development at Helen Keller International, a leading international non-governmental organization. Mr Macmillan is the 2014 inaugural recipient of the Magis Global Changemaker Award from Santa Clara University. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Aspen Network for Development Entrepreneurs (ANDE) and was a Term Member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Mr Macmillan received his BA from Colby College, an MSc from NYU Wagner, and an MBA through a joint program at NYU Stern, London School of Economics and HEC Paris School of Management.

Mikhail Mamuta
Head, Microfinance
Central Bank of Russia

Mikhail Mamuta was appointed Head of the Bank of Russia’s Main Department of Microfinance Market and Financial Inclusion in February 2014. Prior to joining the Central Bank, he chaired the Russian Microfinance Center, from 2003 to 2014, and the National Association for Microfinance Market Stakeholders, from 2006 to 2014. From 2012, Mr Mamuta was Vice-President for Finance at the All-Russian SME Association. Since 2014, he has also chaired the Digital Financial Services Working Group at the Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI). A graduate of Voronezh State University specializing in Nanotechnology, with a second degree in Finance and Banking, Mr Mamuta has a Master’s degree in Physics and a PhD in Economics. He completed the Boulder Microfinance Training Program in 2007.

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Senior Advisor
CGAP and Forum Chairperson

Kate McKee joined CGAP in 2006, leading CGAP’s research, writing, and policy advisory work on consumer protection, including analysis of policy/regulatory/supervision options for market conduct regulation in low-access markets. She also leads CGAP’s work on responsible finance. This includes work with the Smart Campaign to develop consensus industry standards for improved client protection, as well as an initiative to ensure that responsible finance considerations are integrated in investor processes. Other CGAP work has focused on savings and the role of government in financial inclusion. From 1998 to 2006, Ms McKee directed the Microenterprise Development Office at the US Agency for International Development (USAID), leading support to USAID overseas programs that invest over US$200 million annually in more than 70 countries. From 1986 to 1998, she was a senior manager with Self-Help in North Carolina, the largest Community
**Flore-Anne Messy**  
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Executive Secretary, **OECD/International Network on Financial Education (INFE)**

Flore-Anne Messy is Deputy Head of the Financial Affairs Division of the Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). She is, in particular, responsible for the OECD financial education project and is the Executive Secretary of the International Network on Financial Education (INFE) and its dedicated website, the OECD International Gateway for Financial Education (www.financial-education.org). Ms Messy joined the OECD in June 2000 originally to work on and develop the activities of the Secretariat for the Insurance and Private Pensions Committee. As such, she was in charge of a series of projects in the financial sector including the governance of insurers, the financial management of large-scale catastrophes, work related to ageing and insurance, private financing of health care, and the coverage of medical malpractice. Prior to this Ms Messy worked at Deloitte and Touche Tomatsu Audit Paris, in the insurance and banking field. She graduated from the Institute of Political Studies of Paris and received her thesis in international economies from University Pantheon-Sorbonne.

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**Alliance for Financial Inclusion**

Norbert Mumba has more than 25 years’ senior management experience in Zambia, including 19 years at the Bank of Zambia (BOZ) -- a member institution of the Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI) -- where he held numerous positions such as Assistant Director of Regulatory Policy, Licensing and Liquidations, and Director of Bank Supervision. Mr Mumba has been a member of several technical committees aimed at reforms of the banking sector at national, regional and international levels. At the Bank, he also served as liaison with the AFI. He actively participated in financial inclusion meetings and activities, and worked to ensure BOZ assumed a strong role in the Network. He was a member and Co-Chair of the Financial Inclusion Data Working Group (FIDWG). Mr Mumba holds an MBA from Heriot Watt University, a Post Graduate Diploma in Business Administration from Coventry University, and a Bachelor of Law degree from the University of Zambia. He is also an International Labor Organization certified trainer for the Female and Male Operated Enterprises (FAMOS) Check, and an Institute of Directors of Zambia (IODZ) certified Trainer in Good Corporate Governance. Prior to his appointment with the AFI, Mr Mumba had been contracted by BOZ to facilitate FAMOS Check Audits in selected commercial banks in Zambia, in order to assess the level and quality of access to financial services by Female and Male Operated Small Enterprises.

**Josefat Mutepfa**  
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**Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe**

Josefat Mutepfa is Senior Director, National Payment Systems, at the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe. He has over 20 years’ banking experience. His areas of responsibility include administration of ZETSS (the Zimbabwean real-time gross settlements system) and the Central Securities Depository system, as well as ensuring effective oversight of the national payment system, electronic money issues, risk management, and payment systems development. Acting as the payment systems country leader for Zimbabwe, Mr Mutepfa has been involved in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) regional integration projects since 2000. He has also presented various papers on payment systems at local, regional and international fora. Mr Mutepfa has MBA and Business degrees, among other qualifications focused on Finance, Business Management and Humanities.

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Former Governor, **Central Bank of Kenya**  
Governor and Former Steering Committee Chairperson, **Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI)**

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in 2015, African Banker recognized him as Central Bank Governor of the Year. Prof Ndung’u holds a PhD in Economics from Gothenburg University, Sweden, as well as a BA and MA in Economics from the University of Nairobi.

James Onyutta  
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Musoni Kenya

James Onyutta has 13 years of multinational experience in microfinance. He joined Musoni Kenya Ltd in 2013 as Chief Executive Officer. He was previously the Chief Financial Officer of FINCA Uganda Ltd, a deposit-taking institution with over 100,000 clients, an asset base of over US$25 million and 750 staff. He has also led the external fundraising and strategic planning for FINCA Uganda.

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Chief of Party  
E-Peso Philippines

John Owens is an attorney, consultant, board member and senior advisor with more than 27 years of experience in inclusive financial services, with a focus on digital financial services and payments. He is currently the Chief of Party for the USAID E-PESO project in the Philippines and most recently worked with more than 125 regulators and policy makers from 96 countries with the Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI). In this role he provided support to the Digital Financial Services Working Group, the African Mobile Phone Financial Services Policy Initiative, and represented AFI on the G20 Global Policy for Financial Inclusion subgroup on Markets and Payments Systems. He has written and lectured on various aspects of digital financial services, financial inclusion, and policy and regulatory environment. He holds a JD in Law from Notre Dame Law School.

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Mark Pickens  
Senior Director  
Visa

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Beth Porter  
Policy Advisor, Financial Inclusion  
UNCDF and Better Than Cash Alliance

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**Xavier Reille**
Manager, EMENA Financial Institutions Group, Consulting Practice
*International Finance Corporation*

Xavier Reille joined IFC in 2011 to lead its Financial Market advisory program in the Arab world and he now heads IFC’s consulting practice for financial institutions in EMENA. Mr. Reille has had senior positions in the World Bank Group since 1999. He established the CGAP Microfinance Gateway and the Microfinance Information eXchange, managed the G8 access to finance program for MENA from 2005 to 2008 and led CGAP technology programs from 2000 to 2005. Before joining the World Bank Group, Mr. Reille set up several investment funds in South East Asia. He also worked for SIDI (International Solidarity for Development and Investment), a venture capital company focusing on SMEs. Mr. Reille has been a board member of several banks and investment companies in emerging markets. He has authored over 20 publications on access to finance. He graduated from École Nationale Supérieure des Industries Agricoles et Alimentaires (ENSIA) in France, and has completed a banking certificate.

**Kusumaningtuti Sandriharmy Soetiono**
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*Indonesia Financial Services Authority*

Kusumaningtuti Sandriharmy Soetiono is a Member of the Board of Commissioners of the Indonesian Financial Services Authority (OJK). She began her career in 1980 in the Credit Planning and Supervision Department of Bank Indonesia, and went on to hold a number of senior positions in the central bank, including Deputy Director of the Legal Directorate, Director of the International Affairs Directorate; Director of the Centre of Education and Study (2006-2007), and Director of the Directorate of Human Resources (2007-2010). In 2010, Dr. Soetiono was appointed Head of the Representative Office of Bank Indonesia in New York, serving until July 2012, when she was appointed to her current role with the OJK, sworn in by the Chief Justice of the Indonesian Supreme Court for the term 2012-2017. Born in London, Dr. Soetiono holds a Bachelor’s degree in Law from the University of Indonesia, and an LLM degree and PhD from Washington College of Law, American University.

**Beniamino Savonitto**
Program Director, Financial Inclusion, *Innovations for Poverty Action*

Beniamino Savonitto directs IPA’s Financial Inclusion Program, overseeing a portfolio of research initiatives and randomized evaluations to find effective solutions to help the poor manage and grow their money. Most recently Mr. Savonitto managed the Financial Capability Initiative and managed several research and policy efforts in financial inclusion. He managed and helped design several randomized evaluations of financial services and technology projects in sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America. He holds an MA from the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University and a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science from LUISS University in Rome.

**Michael Schlein**
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Member, *Microfinance CEO Working Group*

Michael Schlein is President and CEO of Accion International, a global nonprofit dedicated to building a financially inclusive world. Accion has helped build 65 microfinance institutions in 32 countries, which provide millions of clients with financial tools that help them improve their lives. Accion also provides venture capital to new companies that promote disruptive innovation in financial services at the base of the pyramid, and works to promote industry-wide solutions to industry-wide challenges. The Center for Financial Inclusion at Accion’s Smart Campaign is the first global consumer protection campaign for those living in poverty. Mr. Schlein also serves on the Microfinance CEO Working Group, which brings together the CEOs of the leading international organizations that promote microfinance to support the development of the industry at large and advocate for responsible microfinance standards. Previously, Mr. Schlein served as President of Citigroup’s International Franchise Management. Prior to that, he ran Citigroup’s communications, philanthropy, government relations, branding and human resources. He served as Chief of Staff at the US Securities and Exchange Commission under President Clinton, and with New York City Mayors Dinkins and Koch. In 2014, Mayor Bill de Blasio appointed him Chairman of the NYC Economic Development Corporation.
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Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) is a nonprofit dedicated to discovering what works to help the world’s poor. In close partnership with decisionmakers — the policymakers, practitioners, investors, and donors working with the poor around the world — we design and evaluate potential solutions to global poverty problems using randomized evaluations, the most rigorous evaluation method available. We then mobilize and support decisionmakers to use the solutions to build better programs and policies at scale. We have worked with more than 400 leading academics and implementing organizations to complete over 275 studies, and over 250 more are in progress. Our results span the areas of agriculture, education, health, finance, governance, social protection, and post-conflict recovery. Since our founding in 2002, the results of our research have improved the lives of over 50 million people around the world.

www.poverty-action.org

The Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) develops the guidelines and the fundamental concepts on which German development policy is based. It devises long-term strategies for development cooperation with partner countries and international development organizations.

www.bmz.de

The Better Than Cash Alliance is a partnership of governments, companies and international organizations that accelerates the transition from cash to digital payments in order to reduce poverty and drive inclusive growth.

Based at the UN, the Alliance has over 40 members, works closely with other global organizations, and is an implementing partner for the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Citi, Ford Foundation, MasterCard, Omidyar Network, United States Agency for International Development, and Visa Inc. fund the Alliance. The United Nations Capital Development Fund serves as the secretariat.

betterthancash.org
CGAP (the Consultative Group to Assist the Poor) is a global partnership of 34 leading organizations that seek to advance financial inclusion. CGAP develops innovative solutions through practical research and active engagement with financial service providers, policy makers, and funders to enable approaches at scale. Housed at the World Bank, CGAP combines a pragmatic approach to responsible market development with an evidence-based advocacy platform to increase access to the financial services the poor need to improve their lives. Our mission is to improve the lives of poor people by spurring innovations and advancing knowledge and solutions that promote responsible, sustainable, inclusive financial markets.

www.cgap.org

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) is an international financial institution that offers investment, advisory, and asset management services to encourage private sector development in developing countries. IFC’s mission is to create opportunities for people to escape poverty and achieve better living standards by mobilizing financial resources for private enterprise, promoting accessible and competitive markets, supporting businesses and other private sector entities, and creating jobs and delivering necessary services to those who are poverty-stricken or otherwise vulnerable.

www.ifc.org

The United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) is the UN’s capital investment agency for the world’s 48 Least Developed Countries (LDCs). UNCDF uses its capital mandate to help LDCs pursue inclusive growth. UNCDF uses ‘smart’ Official Development Assistance (ODA) to unlock and leverage public and private domestic resources; it promotes financial inclusion, including through digital finance, as a key enabler of poverty reduction and inclusive growth; and it demonstrates how localizing finance outside the capital cities can accelerate growth in local economies, promote sustainable and climate resilient infrastructure development, and empower local communities. Using capital grants, loans, and credit enhancements, UNCDF tests financial models in inclusive finance and local development finance; ‘de-risks’ the local investment space; and proves concept, paving the way for larger and more risk-averse investors to come in and scale up.

www.uncdf.org
The World Bank is a vital source of financial and technical assistance to developing countries around the world. It is not a bank in the ordinary sense but a unique partnership to reduce poverty and support development. The World Bank Group comprises five institutions managed by their member countries. The World Bank Group aims to end extreme poverty by decreasing the percentage of people living on less than $1.25 a day to no more than 3% and to promote shared prosperity by fostering the income growth of the bottom 40% for every country by 2030. Established in 1944, the World Bank Group is headquartered in Washington, D.C and has more than 10,000 employees in more than 120 offices worldwide. The World Bank Group also runs a responsible finance website.

responsiblefinance.worldbank.org

The Citi Foundation works to promote economic progress and improve the lives of people in low-income communities around the world. We invest in efforts that increase financial inclusion, catalyze job opportunities for youth, and reimagine approaches to building economically vibrant cities. The Citi Foundation’s “More than Philanthropy” approach leverages the enormous expertise of Citi and its people to fulfill our mission and drive thought leadership and innovation.

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Guided by the belief that every life has equal value, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation works to help all people lead healthy, productive lives. In developing countries, it focuses on improving people’s health and giving them the chance to lift themselves out of hunger and extreme poverty. In the United States, it seeks to ensure that all people—especially those with the fewest resources—have access to the opportunities they need to succeed in school and life. Based in Seattle, Washington, the foundation is led by CEO Sue Desmond-Hellmann and Co-chair William H. Gates Sr., under the direction of Bill and Melinda Gates and Warren Buffett.

www.gatesfoundation.org
The MasterCard Foundation works with visionary organizations to provide greater access to education, skills training and financial services for people living in poverty, primarily in Sub-Saharan Africa. As one of the largest, independent foundations, its work is guided by its mission to advance learning and promote financial inclusion in order to alleviate poverty. Based in Toronto, Canada, its independence was established by MasterCard when the Foundation was created in 2006.

For more information, please visit [www.mastercardfdn.org](http://www.mastercardfdn.org) or follow us on Twitter @MCFoundation.

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[www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-foreign-affairs](http://www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-foreign-affairs)

The G20 is the premier forum for international economic development that promotes open and constructive discussion between industrial and emerging-market countries on key issues related to global economic stability. By contributing to the strengthening of the international financial architecture and providing opportunities for dialogue on national policies, international cooperation, and international financial institutions, the G20 helps to support growth and development across the globe.

[g20.org](http://g20.org)
The Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPFI) is an inclusive platform for all G20 countries, interested non-G20 countries and relevant stakeholders to carry forward work on financial inclusion, including implementation of the G20 Financial Inclusion Action Plan, endorsed at the G20 Summit in Seoul.

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