

Workshop on 'Access to Finance' in Sub-Saharan Africa and 'Social performance mainstreaming in microfinance'

TUESDAY, 2ND OF DECEMBER 2008

SDC - Room 3038

9:00 - 16:15

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Morning session: 'Access to finance' in Sub-Saharan Africa		
9:00	Welcome to first E&I Network Event	Peter Tschumi
	Introduction to morning programme	Hans Ramm
9:20	"Access to Finance": Status and trends/outlook in Sub-Saharan Africa with focus on SDC priority countries (Mali, Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad, Mozambique, Tanzania) and Madagascar	Renée Chao-Béroff
9:40	Key roles for donors in facilitating "Access to Finance" in Sub-Saharan Africa ('financial' and 'non-financial' support)	Konrad Ellsäßer
10:00	Questions and discussion	
10:30	Coffee break	
10:50	FIDES: Banking retail capacity development by FIDES in five African countries	Konrad Ellsäßer
11:10	Lamicrofinance.com	Cécile Lapenu
11:20	PAMIGA: objectives, targets, key activities areas and results, actual and potential collaborations with SDC partners	Renée Chao-Béroff
11:50	Questions and discussion on potential synergies with SDC's operations	
12:30	Lunch break at SDC cafeteria	

Afternoon session: Social performance mainstreaming in microfinance		
14:00	Introduction to afternoon programme	Hans Ramm
14:10	Key achievements and further targets in mainstreaming social performance measurement and reporting	Cécile Lapenu
14:30	Questions	
14:40	Social Performance Initiative of CERISE: objectives, targets, key activities areas and results and actual and potential collaborations with SDC partners in Africa and Latin America	Cécile Lapenu
15:10	Coffee break	
15:30	Questions and discussion on potential synergies with SDC's operations	
16:00	Wrap up and closing	

Participants:

- 1) SDC staff, particularly from African divisions and Employment & Income network members
- 2) Interested members from Savings- & Credit Forum

Guest speakers:

- 1) Renée Chao-Béroff, Director of PAMIGA
- 2) Cécile Lapenu, Director of CERISE
- 3) Konrad Ellsäßer, Managing Director of FIDES

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