

Mainstreaming Social Performance in Microfinance: Implementing the "double-bottom line"

Savings and Credit Forum, 2nd July 2010

Social Performance Indicator Audit Tool for MFIs

Cécile Lapenu, Cerise

Presentation no. 3: 11.00 – 11.10







The SPI Tool in a nutshell

(Social Performance Indicators)

A standard for SP assessment of microfinance institutions





What is the SPI audit tool?

Two documents

Questionnaire

Operational Guide

Part 1: Basic details on MFI

Part 2: SP Indicators (4 dimensions)

Audit methodology
Rationale
Definition/Examples
Guidelines
Information sources

=> Available on line www.cerise-microfinance.org





Why using SPI?

Simple / Low cost

- Self-assessment (one day process)
- External audits (one to 3 days)

Comprehensive

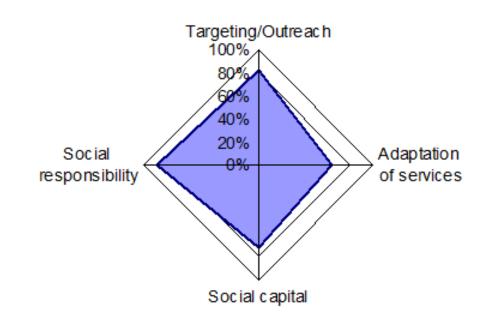
- Targeting and outreach
- Products and services
- Benefits to clients
- Social responsibility

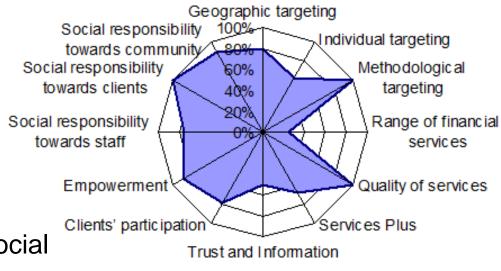
Easy to analyse

- Standardised
- Graphical results
- Peer group analysis

Compatible with Mix

 Excel file with SPI and Mix Social Performance Report









From Assessment to Management

SPI as an entry point to SPM

SPI as a diagnostic tool

Strength/ weaknesses/ Priorities for SPM Key indicators for dashboards

SPI as a management tool

Combined with SPM tools to adress priorities Poverty assessment, governance, diversified products, etc.

SPI as a communication tool

Common language on SP / contributes to benchmarks Standardized summaries – Mix SP report





Who uses SPI?

Social Investors

way to dialogue with partners, raise awareness of SP

Oikocredit, Kiva, Grameen-Crédit Agricole, AFD, Unitus, Sidi, etc

MFI Networks

Benchmarking SP, standardized reporting, MIS

> Foro Lac , RFR, Finrural, CIF, Consortium Alafia...

MFIs

350 SPI audits in CERISE/ProsperA database More than 250 MFIs (june2010)





Network supporting use of SPI audit tool

ProsperA network

- PROmotion of Social PERformance an Alliance initiated by CERISE and its partners
- Over 60 members (June 2010)
 - Networks from Africa, Asia and Latin America
 - MFIs
 - TA providers from Europe
 - Social investors

www.cerise-microfinance.org cerise@cerise-microfinance.org



