

Microfinance Dialogues 2010

University Meets Microfinance @ Leibniz Universität Hannover
June 17th & 18th, 2010

«Measuring the Impact and Social Performance of Microfinance»

Thursday, June 17th: 'Approaching the subject'

Time	Programme
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	<i>Registration</i>
3:00 pm – 3:45 pm	Introduction: Impact-Assessment and Social Performance Management in Theory and in Practice – Introductory Overview Katja Kirchstein, Freie Universität Berlin Friederike Lenel, University of Freiburg
3:45 pm – 4:30 pm	The Trade-off between Financial and Social Performance, Empirical Insights Pim Engels, Tilburg University, UMM Award Winner 2009
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	<i>Coffee break</i>
5:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Impact Assessment Applied Vanessa Quintero, University Paris 3 - Sorbonne Nouvelle Santiago Espinal, PlaNet Finance Colombia
5:45 pm – 6:30 pm	Social Performance Management Applied Connie Hina, PlaNet Finance Philippines

Friday, June 18th: 'Deep Dive'

Time	Programme
10:30 am – 11:30 am	<i>Registration</i>
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Session I: Keynote speech William Pariente, MIT Poverty Action Lab / Université Catholique de Louvain: Recent developments in the impact and mechanisms of microfinance Comments by Robin Gravesteyn (Oikocredit), Edouard Sers (Planet Rating), Florent Bédécarrats (CERISE), Connie Hina (PlaNet Finance Philippines)

1:00 pm – 1:45 pm *Lunch break*

1.45 pm – 3:30 pm **Session II:**

Presentation of students' research proposals on impact assessment and social performance in 2 groups

UMM Scholarship winners / students:

- Tonja von Gorp (Master, University of Wageningen): Poverty Outreach of Microfinance in Ecuador
- Kristina Czura (PhD, Universität Frankfurt): Impact evaluation of microfinance in India
- Olga Biosca (PhD, University of Sheffield): Microfinance non-financial services in Mexico: Design and Impact
- Nargiza Maksudova (PhD, CERGE-EI, Charles University): Measuring the impact of Microfinance - Retrospective Survey of Microfinance in Uzbekistan
- Florence Milan (PhD, University of Hohenheim): Social Performance of Rural Microfinance Institutions: Theory and Empirical Measurement

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm *Coffee break*

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm **Session III: Discussion with experts**

Group 1

- The Progress out of Poverty Index: Robin Gravesteyn, **Oikocredit**
- Social Performance Ratings: Edouard Sers, **Planet Rating**

Group 2

- Social Performance Indicators: Florent Bédécarrats, **CERISE**
- IKM Methodology: Aymeric Fuseau, **PlaNet Finance Egypt**

Subsequently **Final discussion**

Registration:

Please register for the Workshop **by June 2nd** at www.universitymeetsmicrofinance.eu.

You can participate on both days (June 17th and June 18th) or only on the second day (June 18th). For students a participation fee of 20 EUR applies. For other participants a fee of 40 EUR applies. You will receive all organizational details upon registration.

The fee includes the participation in the “**Annual International Conference of the Verein für Socialpolitik (German Economics Association), Research Committee on Development Economics**” which starts in the evening of June 18th and ends with a conference dinner on June 19th. The conference programme is available at www.uni-goettingen.de/ael. Local organizers are Lukas Menkhoff and Oliver Gloede, members of the Development Economics Research Group at the Leibniz Universität Hannover.