

## Child & Youth Financial Capability South-East European Countries Working Group 3 November 2015





Child & Youth Financial Capability Agenda



- Introduction to children & youth financial capability
- The role of national authorities
- Break-out 1
- The role of financial institutions
- The CYFI SchoolBank model
- Break-out 2



In the context of children & youth this means to a **safe place** to keep money and accumulate savings: a basic **savings or current account** that is **child & youth friendly** and encourages **responsible financial behavior** 

Source: CYFI, Center for Social Development (2013). "Research Evidence on the CYFI Model of Children and Youth as Economic Citizens" Accessible here: http://www.childfinanceinternational.org/index.php?option=com\_mtree&task=att\_download&link\_id=1522&cf\_id=200

# **1** The basic products Children & Youth need are savings accounts and current accounts



	Savings account	<i>Current account or prepaid card</i>	(Micro) loans
<i>Level 1</i> 0-5 years	Savings account by parents to support future education		
<i>Level 2</i> 6-9 years	Savings account in name of child, with parental controls		
<i>Level 3</i> 10-15 years	Savings account fully owned by child, parental insights	Current account i child's name, with parental controls (optional)	
<i>Level 4</i> 16+ years	Savings account fully owned by child	Current account i child's name	n Sicroloans available to support entrepreneurship (18+)

#### Introduction to children & youth financial capability Is financial capability an issue in our region?

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Country		Accoun	t at a Fl	Saving at		nemanonai
Slovenia		92%	6	32%		
Croatia		58%	6	17%		
Romania		55%	6	9%		
Macedonia		47%	6	8%		
Albania		30%	6	7%		
Kosovo		41%	6	5%		
Moldova		12%	6	5%		
Montenegro		41%	6	3%		
Account	Saving		Country		Account	Saving
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25%	13%		Germa	any	94%	67%
17%	13%		Nethe	rlands	99%	65%

Country	Account	Saving	
Indonesia	35%	22%	
Honduras	25%	13%	
Rwanda	17%	13%	
Bangladesh	18%	6%	
DRC	5%	4%	
Sierra Leone	6%	3%	
Jordan	12%	2%	
Yemen 2% <1% OURCE: Global Findex, World Bank 2015, CYFI research			

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Norway	100%	85%
Germany	94%	67%
Netherlands	99%	65%
<ul> <li>Australia</li> </ul>	95%	64%
USA	88%	54%
France	79%	54%
<ul> <li>Singapore</li> </ul>	93%	39%
UK	91%	30%

## Across all regions, young people between 15-24 years are Finance International

### more often unbanked than adults

% of people with no account at a financial institution



Adults

SOURCE: Global Findex, World Bank 2015 (Youth defined as 15-24 years), no data available for younger segments

## **Financial capability brings clear benefits for children &** youth



Evidence for the benefits of children & youth financial capability



- Economic and financial well-being (Key evidence by Ssewamala, Elliott and Friedline)
- Financial knowledge and skills (Adams and Sherraden)
- Psychological health (Sebstad, Ssewamala)
- Reproductive and sexual health (Austrian, Erulkar)
- Academic achievement (Friedline and Elliott)
- Education attainment and expectations (Elliott and Beverly)

### **Ideally: Access plus Education – the case for learning while doing**

Gradually the impact of combining financial education with access to savings is showing, including on financial literacy (SALSA Uganda and PISA), account uptake (YouthSave) and savings levels and avoiding account dormancy (CFED, 2014)



**Consumer protection** is particularly important to ensure accounts are offered and used in a responsible way – hence there needs to be the right balance in regulation to allow for access, and ensure appropriate protection

## Youth with savings accounts have increased economic and financial well-being Access evidence



Research in Kenya finds a positive association between participating in a youth savings program and higher income, savings and household assets

In Uganda, research finds a positive association between participating in a youth savings accounts program and higher savings levels

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## Youth with savings accounts have a positive influence on mental, reproductive and sexual health Access evidence

#### Impact on mental health

In India and Uganda, research finds a positive relationship between youth savings and higher levels of self-esteem and participation in social groups

Another study in India suggests that having control over one's savings is associated with greater decision-making and formation of specific savings goals

## Impact on sexual and reproductive health

Studies in Kenya and Uganda suggest that there is a positive association between youth savings and improved reproductive and sexual health knowledge and behavior

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Participants of savings programs demonstrate development of more empowered gender attitudes, lower approval rates of risky sexual behaviors, and improved HIV prevention scores

Source: Huntington et al (2004); Ssewamala, Han, & Neilands (2009); Kalyanwala & Sebstad (2006); Erulkar& Chong (2005), Ismayilova et al (2008)

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### Youth with personal savings have higher academic performance Access evidence

#### Research shows that children and youth with savings are more likely to attend and finish college...

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Likelihood to enroll in college compared to youth with no savings<sup>1</sup>

Likelihood to graduate college compared to youth with no savings<sup>1</sup>

#### ...and similar findings have been reported in developing countries

A study conducted in Uganda shows a positive relationship between youth savings and higher grades, test scores, and improved attitudes on education

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1 Based on research of black US youth by Elliot, Friedman and Nan (2013). Correlation does not hold for wealthier white families where financial limitations to join college are less profound

Source: Elliott & Beverly (2011); Elliot, Friedman, Nan (2013); Curley, Ssewamala & Han







Research & programs show that C&Y are willing to save when given access opportunity, especially when combined with education



- UNCDF YouthStart program: increasing access to financial services for low-income youth in sub-Saharan Africa. For example, Ugandan participants were saving on average US\$6.33 more than non participants
- Bangladesh SchoolBanking: since 2010 over 800,000 accounts opened for children aged 6-18, of which 325,000 in rural areas, saving Tk 7.17 billion in them (>100mln USD)
- YouthSave: showing youth across Colombia, Ghana, Kenya and Nepal can save, when financial institutions make safe and affordable savings accounts accessible
- Kindergarten to college: a program run by the City of San Fransisco and Citi, automatically provides a college savings account to children when they start kindergarten

Research shows that impact will be vastly increased if **inclusion is linked to education (learning by doing)**, both in terms of account uptake and savings attitude & behavior (see for instance Atkinson, A. & Messy, F (2013), Sherraden & Ansong (2013), Jamison, J. Karlan, D. and Zinman, J. (2014))









Complementing Financial Inclusion with Financial Education

Next to the benefits of Financial Inclusion, financial education programs are associated with:

- Higher financial literacy
- Higher savings

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- Better understanding of how to avoid debt
- Understanding how to write a checks and plan budgets

Recent studies have indicated significant impact of combining access with education on financial literacy and savings behavior.

In addition, the OECD has indicated that the lack of financial literacy is a a key driver for overindebtedness and bankruptcy of households. Source: CYFI: Children, Youth & Finance. From Momentum to Action (2013)

#### Complementing Financial Inclusion with Social and livelihoods education

Other studies show that complementing financial education with social education or livelihoods education positively affects:

- children's feeling of control over their actions and decisions
- the likelihood of youth to obtain a job.

Finally, by combining education and access to financial products, children and youth will learn by doing, resulting in a **better retention of the learnings and lower dormancy rates of the acccounts** (CFED, 2014)

## "Financial education should start at school"

-OECD



Empirical research supports the value of having an integrated approach to increasing financial capability Access & Education evidence



### **Research design**

## Elementary students were randomly assigned into 4 groups:

- Control group: no treatment
- Treatment group 1: Receiving in-school financial education by classroom
- Treatment group 2: Participate in an inschool credit union or bank, receiving account access
- Treatment group 3: Receiving in-school financial education AND account access

#### Outcomes

- Significantly positive results for all treatments groups compared to control group
- Students with bank accounts were found to have larger effects in learning as opposed to students who just received financial education
- Students receiving education were found to have more active usage of their accounts

Source: CFED (2014). Financial Education & Account Access Among Elementary Students: Findings from the Assessing Financial Capability Outcomes (AFCO) Youth Pilot. <u>http://cfed.org/assets/pdfs/AFCO\_Youth\_Full\_Report\_Final.pdf</u>

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Role of national authorities

## **Overcoming barriers to children and youth financial** capability

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#### **Barriers to youth financial capability**

We identify seven main barriers to financial capability for children:

- 'Natural' barriers such as the distance to a bank
- Lack of financial infrastructure
- Restrictive regulations
- Governance failures
- Lack of suitable products
- Financial illiteracy or distrust
- No access to quality education

#### What can national authorities do?

#### Financial access + education

- Develop **national strategy** and work **in coordination** with other institutions to increase financial capability
- a Invest in projects & programs around FI & FE

#### Financial education

- Integrate financial education in national curriculum
- Support non-formal and informal financial education *Financial access*
- b Support financial institutions in developing and promoting youth financial products (e.g., product development workshop; launching a national account)
- c Adapt regulation to facilitate youth financial access
- Support new technology development and innovations that drive financial access for youth

Note: Financial inclusion is not a panacea and has risks, particularly if the regulatory environment is weak. Therefore **consumer protection regulations** are key to protect children's rights.

## a There are additional benefits when investing in financial capability of children and youth compared to adults



Benefit	Rational	Impact (USD/child)
Lower cost to reach	<ul> <li>Children can be reached through youth centers and schools through government mandated programs</li> <li>Better scale and concentration of children and youth results in reduced cost of outreach</li> </ul>	4
Parents reached through Youth	<ul> <li>Research in Haiti shows that financial inclusion on children, combined with financial education, motivates parents to consider opening an account too</li> <li>Savings estimated based on reduced outreach cost and cost-of-cash advantages for parents</li> </ul>	2
Reduced drop-outs from school	<ul> <li>Research shows that financial inclusion reduces school dropout rates</li> <li>The lifetime economic impact of preventing a dropout is estimated to be 20.000 USD for countries such as China</li> </ul>	5
Lower cost to serve	<ul> <li>Children and Youth are digital natives and are much more likely to use channels such as mobile banking</li> <li>Research indicates cost to serve is between 19-50% lower for mobile &amp; agent banking vs traditional branch based</li> </ul>	22
Improved financial literacy	<ul> <li>Improved financial literacy combined with Financial Inclusion will lead to better financial decisions</li> <li>Per person impact based on lower cost of cash as banked youth can cash paychecks and transact at lower cost</li> </ul>	25
	Total	±106

#### Bangladesh Schoolbanking, led by the Central Bank of Bangladesh, has resulted in 800,000 youth accounts opened and considerable savings

#### Situation

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In 2010 the Central Bank of Bangladesh issued a formal circular that asked all banks to open school banking branches. The Central Bank intended to enhance financial inclusion of the country by ensuring the participation of school students in the economic vis-à-vis banking activities through savings and creating savings attitudes among students.

#### Actions taken

17 Banks introduced and provided school banking services under their usual branches Students aged 6-18 have been offered the opportunity to open a savings account. Anyone can deposit money at these accounts, but money can only be withdrawn with consent from the parents or legal guardians











#### Outcome

- 800,000 youth have thus far opened an account, on which with a total of approximately USD 100 million has been deposited since.
- School banking program is extending beyond cities to also become popular in village areas, where approximately 40% (325,000) of the total accounts have been opened.
- Another 24 banks are in line to engage in school banking soon.
- CYFI is now working with Bangladesh Bank to include an education component into the Schoolbanking program

## **b** Egyptian Banking Institute furthers youth financial inclusion by supporting banks with product development

Representing Egypt as a pioneer of Financial Literacy in the region has been a challenge and a privilege; we strongly believe that raising the bankable population as well as including youngsters will lead to the sustainable economic growth of our country, eradication of poverty and furthermore bridging the inequality gap

Mona El Baradei - Executive Director Egyptian Banking Institute In March 2015, the Egyptian Banking Institute (IBE) in collaboration with MasterCard and CYFI organized workshop with **25 participants from seven Egyptian banks and policy makers**. During the two day workshop participants worked on topics related to financial education and financial inclusion of children and youth in Egypt. There was a special focus on the business case for Egyptian banks to offer financial products and services to youth.

As part of the workshop, experts from other banks with significant youth offerings shared their experiences in developing and marketing youth friendly products





CENTRAL BANK OF EGYPT Egyptian Banking Institute



The session had several positive outcomes:

- EBI expressed their commitment to engage with national policy makers to make financial inclusion a priority on the national policy agenda
- Delegates from financial services providers asked for support of policy makers to contribute to the development of youth and child friendly products
- Several Egyptian banks have developed products for children and youth as a result of the workshop



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## **Example agenda: workshop in Nigeria with the** Central Bank of Nigeria



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Child&Youth for children & youth financial inclusion

Degree of autonomy	<ul> <li>Age for opening a savings account independently</li> <li>Age for operating a savings account independently</li> <li>Ownership in the name of the child</li> <li>Age for conducting transactions</li> </ul>
Degree of accessibility	<ul> <li>Interpretation of the KYC principle (and other documents required)</li> <li>Allowing for innovations that can help reach the unbanked (including branchless banking regulations)</li> <li>Free of discrimination</li> </ul>
Consumer protection and facilitating responsible use	<ul> <li>Consumer protection laws</li> <li>Financial education</li> </ul>

Best practices for child and youth financial capability

Examples of recent changes in regulation and results

## India (2014)



- A new regulation allows all minors above the age of 10 years to open and operate a savings bank account independently
- Banks are free to offer additional banking facilities like internet banking, ATM/debit card, etc. subject to the safeguards that minor accounts are not allowed to be overdrawn and always remain in credit
- The Reserve Bank of India addresses various target groups, including school and college going children, with financial literacy programs
- Banks are encouraged to work jointly with NGOs and government agencies to design and implement their own financial inclusion programmes
- Kotak Mahindra Bank, one of the pioneers, is reporting 35,000 additional youth accounts per month

## The Philippines (2009)



 Already since 1975, regulations were in place to allow 7 year olds to independently open a savings account

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- Yet only after the government started a national financial inclusion strategy in 2009 that also specifically targeted financial institutions did banks begin offering financial products to children and youth
- Lessons on saving and money management included in the curriculum from grade one to six
- The resulting 'Kiddie Account Programme', set up by the Central Bank in collaboration with 12 Philippine banks, has an estimated impact of 12 million school children aged 7-12

## Working with schools and regulators enabled banks in the Philippines to open accounts for over 600.000 children

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#### Situation

A 2008 survey showed that only 5% of Filipino children saved money regularly. In addition, only 20% of Philippine households had bank accounts.

There was a need from the government to improve the knowledge and usage of financial services

#### Actions taken

12 participating banks started the Kiddie Account Program, offering savings accounts for kids 7 years and older, with registration through school IDs. The program accepts opening deposits of as little as \$2.50.

Complementary financial education was institutionalized through the Department of Education of Philippines. The education is complemented by the child-friendly Kiddie Account Program.

#### Outcome

Successful results in the Phillippines include:

- Over half a million savings accounts opened by kids across the country
- Recognized as a world-wide best practice of bringing forward financial inclusion and education
- The Philippine central bank believes that the uptake by kids will motivate parents to also open bank accounts
- Lessons on saving and money management included in the curriculum from grade one to six, reaching 12 mln children



Several countries have developed specific regulations Several countries have developed specific regulations Several Child&Youth to enhance children and youth financial inclusion

- Considering needs and capacity
  - Ethiopia and working youth: minimum age of 14 for working youth instead of regular 18
  - Uruguay and gender: minimum age for independent account opening at 12 for girls, 14 for boys (since 2010)
- Considering autonomy and flexibility
  - Ghana and co-signing with any trusted adult (e.g., school teacher, older sibling)
  - Uganda and alternative documentation (e.g., letter of reference, school ID)

## The Banco de la República oriental del Uruguay allows children and youth to open and manage savings accounts

#### Situation

In 2010, Uruguay's parliament passed legislation modifying the Banco de la Republica Oriental del Uruguay (BROU, Uruguay's commercial national bank) Articles of Incorporation. The modified Articles allow children and youth to open and manage savings accounts at BROU.

#### Actions taken

This reform allows "the bank to open savings accounts for children and adolescents who may privately make deposits and withdrawals.. In addition, legal representatives such as parents are not allowed to make withdrawals without the account owner's consent.





#### Outcome

- As a result, these accounts are the sole property of the children and youth that open them, and these children are the only ones authorized to conduct transactions on the account.
- One result of this legislation has been the development of "XmiCuenta" by BROU: a savings account directed at children between 14 to 17. The account has no minimum balance and no administrative charges. The account includes a debit card and online banking services at no extra charge. The account also offers the option of saving in both the local currency and indexed foreign currencies.

#### Learnings

By empowering society's youngsters to take charge of their own financial futures, this important reform is an example to other governments worldwide.

#### There is still a long way to create enabling regulations Finance International С

Overview of regulations in selected countries

Age regulations Country	Opening a savings account by parent/guardian	Opening a savings account Independently	Ownership of savings account in name of child	Operating a savings account independently
Armenia		14	14	14
Colombia		7	7	7
D.R.C.		18		18
Egypt		18	18	18
El Salvador		16	12	16
Ethiopia		14/18	14/18	14/18
Fiji		18	18	18
India	0	10	10	10
Kenya	12	18	18	18
Morocco		18	18	18
Moldova		18		14
Nepal	10	16	10	16
Netherlands	0	18	18	18
Philippines		7	7	7
Portugal	0	16-18	0	16-18
Rwanda	0	16		16
Singapore		18	18	18
Uganda	10	18	18	18
United Kingdom	0	11	7	11

## **d** There are several C&Y financial consumer protection **Second Child**&Youth concerns that need to be addressed in regulation

Despite the potential benefits of autonomy and access, children and youth's financial vulnerability requires proper consumer protection regulations in place that address common sources of harm

#### Product transparency

- No understanding of the services' total cost
- Deceptive advertisements
- Complicated terms to are not tailored to child and youth friendly language
- Inadequately trained staff

## Transformation to adult account

- Forced cancellation of account
- Abrupted access to account due to requirements for additional (stricter) identification documentation
- Uninformed change of regulations governing the account

#### **Payment services**

- Children and youth transfer money to the wrong person or mobile phone and do not know how to correct the error
- Loss of personal identification number
- Interception of personal identification number by relatives, fraudsters or others

#### Recourse

- Children and youth do not know that they have the right to complain or get errors resolved, know how and where to lodge a complaint (with no cost attached)
- Not receiving appropriate redress

#### Overcharging

 Extra fees and commissions charged that are not authorised or proper

## Inadequate documentation

• Children and youth do not receive copies of contracts, receipts, etc.

#### Hidden fees savings accounts

 Savings are eroded or lost to fraud, discouraging saving behaviour

#### Coercion

 Inadequate training of staff to recognise coercion and preventative measures to put in place





- Legal, Regulatory & Supervisory Structures
- Responsible Business Conduct
- Disclosure & Transparency
- Consumer Financial Education
- Fair Treatment
- Protection of Consumer Assets, Data & Privacy
- Complaints Handling & Redress
- Competition
- Enforcement

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Breakout: what does your regulatory and consumer protection landscape for child & youth finance look like, and what would you change?



- What are the current regulations: minimum age for opening & operating accounts, identification requirements, special provisions, etc.
- What changes should be made?

Consumer protection

Regulation

- Are there currently any consumer protection provisions targeting children & youth finance?
- Should any new provisions be introduced?

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# The case for child and youth friendly products is built on four pillars

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### Implementation challenging but feasible

Other financial service providers have **successfully overcome (regulatory) barriers** to implementation, and CYFI has the **tools to support you** to do the same



## **Opportunity cost**

Other financial service providers are targeting youth. In addition, **new providers of financial solutions** are rapidly capturing the youth market (e.g. apps)



# Corporate social responsibility

Child and Youth Friendly products contribute to the **reduction** of poverty, increases the economic empowerment of youth and nurtures a future generation of financial clients

Five reasons to invest in Child and Youth Friendly products

The same investment to acquire **one young professional**, can also be used to acquire **five school students** 



Children and Youth are digital natives. They use **low cost self-serve channels** 

Children and Youth are **easy to reach** through schools





Over time, these **young people will become loyal young professionals**, and already have a long lasting relationship with your institution

## Investing in acquisition of children is more profit-able than investing to acquire young professionals





## Investing in Child and Youth Friendly products can provide up to 110% higher returns in the developed world



DEVELOPED COUNTRY EXAMPLE

INDICATIVE

escription		NPV impact <sup>4</sup> (USD mln)	Rationale
Base case	Spending 100k on acquiring young professionals <sup>1</sup>	1.3	Acquisition cost of 150 USD/client for high NPV clients
	Benefit of targeting youth <sup>2</sup> instead of young professionals	0.5	Acquiring cost of 20 USD/client, e.g. through schools
Revenue	Cross-sell to parents	0.2	3% of parents also open account at same bank
impact	Reduced churn	0.4	Churn reduction from 2% to 1.75% for parents and children as a result of brand building and improve
	Total after revenue benefits	2.4	loyalty
	Simple products, low cost channels	0.5	30% reduction in serving cost for mobile- only products <sup>3</sup>
Cost	Lower risk profile	0.4	NPV of reduction in future loan impairment losses
Cost impact	Increased product development cost	0.5	Additional cost for developing Child and Youth friendly products
	Increased regulatory cost	0.1	Increased cost to be compliant with regulation while serving young customers (assuming 1 FTE)
	Net benefit	2.7	
		+110%	

1 Young professionals defined as 25 year old citizens2 Youth defined as acquiring savings accounts from 12 year old children4 NPV calculated for investing 100k USD in acquisition budget to acquire new clients at either 12 years of age or 25 years of ageSOURCE: CYFI analysis, Mastercard research on client NPV by age of acquisition and acquisition cost (2010)

3 Research shows branchless savings can save up to 50% if implemented efficiently 5 Research (Palia, 2007) indicates lower loan cost of 23 bp for 8+yrs relationship







# For the product assessment, the 8 principles are broken down into 20 testable controls



PRINCIPLES	CONTROLS	PRINCIPLES	CONTROLS	
	1. No minimum age to open	*	12. Child-tailored comm. strategy	./
I. Availability &	2. No minimum age to operate			•
Accessibility	<ol> <li>Proactively offered to all youth indiscriminately</li> </ol>	V. Communication	<ol> <li>Clear explanation to youth of rights/ responsibilities</li> </ol>	$\checkmark$
	4. Independent opening & ownership	strategies	14. Train employees on youth interaction	<u> </u>
II. Max. control	5. Independent operation	*		×
to youth	<ol> <li>Youth determines right to dissemination of personal info</li> </ol>	VI. Financial	15. Component of ECE	$\checkmark$
III. Positive financial incentive	7. No overdraft	Education	16. Child-friendly teaching methods	$\star$
	<ol> <li>8. Interest outweighs cost of opening account</li> </ol>	$\checkmark$	17. Monitoring randomly selected children	$\star$
	<ol><li>No penalty for demand deposits / low penalties for term deposits</li></ol>	VII. Monitoring Satisfaction	18. Youth-friendly feedback system	$\bigstar$
	10. No minimum deposits	$\checkmark$	19. Process feedback	$\bigstar$
IV. Reaching unbanked	11. Targeting the unbanked	VIII. Internal Control	20. Risk Assessment and exhaustive monitoring to ensure protection of child	$\checkmark$

SUBJECT TO LOCAL ADAPTATION

SOURCE: CYFI

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- SchoolBank uses the integrated approach to increase financial inclusion and education of young people
- The school system is used as a distribution network bank branches adopt schools through the school adoption program and teachers in these schools are trained to deliver financial education
- Students are enabled to save in the safe place that is their school
- SchoolBank is a multi-stakeholder approach, involving financial institutions, government (incl. regulators) and civil society
- This approach ensures scale and wide outreach into urban and rural areas, reduced account dormancy and facilitates sustained behavorial change
- The first SchoolBank pilot has been rolled out in Kerala, India, other pipeline countries include India (nationwide), Egypt, Mexico, Nigeria, Uganda, Sri Lanka and El Salvador

## CYFI SchoolBank model The objective of SchoolBank is to bring financial inclusion and Economic Citizenship Education through schools





**CYFI SchoolBank model** 

# The SchoolBank model delivers three basic services to children and youth



- Banking partners to provide childfriendly savings accounts
- Provision of

   account
   collaterals such
   as passbooks,
   ATM cards,
   cheque books,
   magnetic cards



- NGO partners and
  Ministry of
  Education to provide
  economic
  citizenship
  education through
  innovative delivery
  methods
- Generating financial awareness in children and their communities
- Banking partners and schools to provide withdrawal and deposit facilities, transfer of cash between accounts, balance inquiry and interest accrual
- Technology or telecom companies to provide enabling technology solutions to improve transaction support

**CYFI SchoolBank model** SchoolBank is a multistakeholder approach, including at

## least three types of stakeholders





• National authorities to support scale up and integrate financial education in the curriculum companies (provider of prepaid or mobile functionalities)

**CYFI SchoolBank model** 

**CYFI's comprehensive Economic Citizenship Education Framework is used to guide the SchoolBank curriculum development** 



	Financial education	Social/life skills education	Livelihoods education	
<i>Level 1</i> 0-5 years	Value of money, prices, savings, belongings	Emotions, consequences, health/safety, compassion	Career interests, professions, entrepreneurship, goals, initiative, problem-	
<i>Level 2</i> 6-9 years	Needs and wants, savings Children's rights, taking		solving skills, teamwork, taking advice, avoiding hazards	
<i>Level 3</i> 10-14 years	Informed consumer, short vs. long term planning, financial risks, effects of advertising	Express opinions, teamwork, research skills, appreciation for life-long learning	Vocations, opportunities, action plan, self- discipline, perseverance, communication	
<i>Level 4</i> 15+ years	Negotiation skills, purchasing power, interest rates, financial crimes	Social justice, time management, relationships, leadership	Wages, capital needs, marketing, employability, coping with change, management skills	

All SchoolBank products are assessed against our 8 Child

& Youth Friendly Banking Principles



Available and Accessible to all Children and Youth Maximum Control to Children and Youth 2 **Providing a Positive Financial Incentive** 3 Unbanked Children and Youth are Banked **Child and Youth Centered Communication** 5 **Component of Economic Citizenship Education** 6 Child and Youth Satisfaction is measured Internal Control on these Standards 8



CYFI SchoolBank model The unique features of SchoolBank Why the SchoolBank approach works

- It uses an integrated approach, linking financial access and Economic Citizenship Education, which leads to sustained behavorial change through:
  - Increased account uptake
  - Lower dormancy rates
  - Higher effectiveness of the education
- SchoolBank (in most cases) is a coordinated approach between financial institutions, government and civil society, leading to sustainability of the project and the appropriate checks and balances
- By involving the government, going through schools and using the school adoption program, maximum scale is secured, even in rural areas



### CYFI SchoolBank model High level SchoolBank implementation plan



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Project set-up	Training	Launch	Roll out
<ul> <li>Set up working group and decide on roles and responsibilities</li> <li>Decide on goals and operational model (see next page)</li> <li>Secure funding</li> <li>Start organizing logistics</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Train the teachers to teach ECE during the school year</li> <li>Impart trainings through cascade model to reach scale fast</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Launch the SchoolBank pilot</li> <li>Large bank account initiation in the schools</li> <li>Large communication effort to raise awareness of the project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Teachers teach the ECE curriculum throughout the year</li> <li>Banks support banking transactions, respective Child &amp; Youth Banking principles</li> </ul>

Monitor teacher (and banker) financial education training to maintain quality and interest

**Comprehensive implementation guide and action plan available** 

## **CYFI SchoolBank model** Several questions need to be answered when setting Schild& Youth Finance International

## up a SchoolBank project



#### CYFI SchoolBank model

# There are 3 operating models that are viable for

# **SchoolBank**



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Note: Under model 2 a third option where the intermediary is a telecom provider can also be explored

#### CYFI SchoolBank model

## **Overview immediate pipeline countries**



Country	Partners	Target outreach	Planned launch date	Comments
Kerala, India	Kudumbashree, NABARD, Rajagiri Kerala State ( <i>funder</i> )	1,000,000	Ongoing (Oct 2015 scale up started)	First pilot completed, scaling up, rural focus
India	Indian Banks Association (IBA, <i>funder</i> ), Ministry of Finance ( <i>funder</i> ), Ministry of Education	4,600,000	Ongoing (trainings commenced early 2015)	All banks participating, urban + rural
Egypt	Ministry of Communications, Ministry of Education, Egypt Post ( <i>funder</i> ), Egyptian Banking Institute ( <i>funder</i> )	100,000	January 2016	Urban + rural
Mexico	Bansefi (state-owned bank, <i>funder</i> ), Ministry of Treasury	100 schools (±100,000 children)	Ongoing (mid-Sept 2015)	Urban + rural
Osun, Nigeria	Access Bank ( <i>funder</i> ), Osun State government <i>(funder),</i> Lynx Nigeria	100,000	January 2016	Rural focus, Osun gvt to deposit 100 NN into each account
El Salvador	WSBI, Fedecredito ( <i>funder</i> ), BMGF ( <i>funder</i> ), BeeOne	3-5 schools (±3,000 children)	November 2015	Urban + rural, using a mobile application
Sri Lanka	WSBI, National Savings Bank of Sri Lanka ( <i>funder</i> ), BMGF ( <i>funder</i> ), BeeOne	3-5 schools (±3,000 children)	November 2015	Urban + rural, using a mobile application
Kasese, Uganda	SmartMoney <i>(funder),</i> PEDN	10-20 schools (±10,000 children)	November 2015	Rural focus, with sms- based mobile app. School's payments will
	Total (approximate)	5,9 mln children		also be digitized

# Kudumbashree allowed children and youth in Kerala to access financial services in tandem with education

### Pilot

Following the regulation change from the Reserve Bank of India, allowing children to open bank accounts independently from the age of 10, Banking Children and Youth was a programme conducted by Kudumbashree, CYFI, NABARD and Rajagiri Outreach whereby capacity building activities are conducted for children to encourage the habit of savings among them. Bringing children in the banking mainstream and educating them financially is one of the main objectives of this programme.



#### Pilot outcomes

Positive review from an external evaluator, citing:

- Positive perception from recipients of the program (both students and teacher)
- Positive change or impact on children's scores on understanding of financial concepts, habit of saving, and on confidence with banking
- Model ready for scale as there is positive perception from all previously involved institutions

#### Key pilot learnings

- Developed a sense of responsibility and pride among children through the social and financial education so that they can positively contribute to their environment.
- Rural and tribal children handle money more efficiently
- Inculcated the habit of saving by enabling children to save money even in small sums

#### Scale up

After the successful pilot, the Kerala State Government has started to scale up the program to 1 million children by June 2016:

- MoU signed, SchoolBanking part of Kerala's State Government 'Child Policy'
- Rajagiri curriculum being reviewed to be line with CYFI's ECE framework
- Initial part commenced in Palakkad district with 30.000 children

#### Delivery mechanism

- School channels approved and teachers chosen by State Government of Kerala
- Kudumbashree's network of women trained by Rajagiri to deliver financial education programs
- A specific or chosen number of children savings accounts to be reviewd and approved in line with CYFI's banking principles





The role of governments and enabling regulation

## SchoolBank Champs aims to reach at least 4.6 mln children in India through a unique collaboration between the banking sector and government

#### Situation

SchoolBank Champs is a CYFI program in partnership with the Indian Bankers Association (IBA), the Prime Minister's Office and its financial inclusion program (PMJDY), Ministry of Finance's Department of Financial Services, the Ministry of Human Resource Development's Department of School Education and Literacy and MelJol (education partner). It uses the school adoption program where each bank branch adopts a school within its vicinity where they open a bank account for children and where teachers are trained to deliver financial (and social) education. Focus is on rural and peri-urban areas to make sure poorest of the poor are targeted

#### Action plan

- Reach at least 4,600,000 children from rural and peri-urban areas
- Through a pairing of 46,000 schools and branches
- Achieved by June 2016 (end of academic year)
- Each child to receive a bank account in their name and financial education

#### Delivery mechanisms

- Teacher training utilizes the MHRD's existing network of trainers and training infrastructure for teachers to be trained by MelJol
- MelJol local partners will do quality check of trainings in the different states
- Bankers training to be done by MelJol with super trainers to be trained for each bank who cascade it into the bank

### Results so far

- 36.000 branches and school pairs registered to participate in SchoolBank Champs program
- 13 translation of the SchoolBank Champs curriculum and training materials available (teacher''s manuals for youth 10-14, 15 and above and a trainers manual)
- 41 member banks (mostly with the large banks) trained by MelJol





Indian Banks' Association



## **Other pipeline countries (close to confirmed)**



Country	Partners
Rwanda	Ministry of Youth and ICT, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning Rwanda Bankers Association, Association of Microfinance Institutions Rwanda, Rwanda National Youth Council
Kenya	Postbank Kenya, Kenya Institute for Curriculum Development, Central Bank of Kenya
Nigeria	First Bank, Lynx Nigeria, Central Bank of Nigeria
DRC	Central Bank of DRC
Colombia	Ministry of Finance, Central Bank, Asobancaria, individual banks
Moldova	Banking association, National Bank of Moldova <b>ULD ANK</b>
Romania	MasterCard, Central Bank of Romania
Macedonia	Banking association, Central Bank of Macedonia

Child & Youth Financial Capability Agenda



- Introduction to children & youth financial capability
- The role of national authorities
- Break-out 1
- The role of financial institutions
- The CYFI SchoolBank model
- Break-out 2

Breakout: what is the best way to improve financial capability in your country?



