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Danish Forum for Microfinance theme 2022: How can microfinance help fostering climate intelligent practices?

Financial inclusion is a crucial factor for climate mitigation. Where people are marginalized from the society and the economy, they will have to fight for existence on the fringe. And on the fringe, normally, the primary priority is survival and not climate intelligent practices. DFM members have good experiences how microfinance in terms of savings groups and microfinance institutions help including people into the economy.

But how can financial inclusion at the same time foster climate intelligent practices?

What roles could be played by NGO's, research, business, and investors? DFM wishes to provide inspiration for sectors to work together, and advocacies to be undertaken to involve decision-makers.



DFM launches five webinars in 2022.

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agriculture

5 April 14-15 Microfinance, climate mitigation and energy

June Climate screening tool course by Organic Denmark
Two more webinars to follow in August-September.

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29 March: Webinar 1: Agriculture: How can microfinance support climate mitigation for small-scale farmers

Incentives for small-scale farmers to cultivate climate-clever crops

- Dr. Dominick Ringo, RECODA, with comments from Danish partners: How savings groups organize small-holder farmers to improve agriculture in a climate intelligent way. VSLA becomes the motor of climate-clever agriculture, e.g. the RIPAT methodology
- Jes Colding: Intro to Chitumba schemes as a microfinance method promoting climate adapted agricultural practices. Malawi-firm practicing Chitumba schemes: <https://awili-mw.org/>
- Intro to app to assess sustainable farming and to facilitate funding: [Agroclimatica](#)

5 April: Webinar 2: Energy: How can microfinance support green energy?

- Asger Trier Bing: Solar Housing Systems in Kenya - how to create green impact by matching green technology and financing model
- Catrine Shroff, Nairobi: Mwangaza Light promoting energy efficient stoves, promote via church networks

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for green development NMI climate smart fund i.e.,
longerterm palm olie tree lending to reduce
deforestation.

5 May 13-16 DFM Annual Meeting with Oikos presenting CIDI
and Stroemme: Microfinance in 2022 - what are the good
strategies and perspectives? Physical in Copenhagen
central, venue to be announced.



How can VSLAs improve efficiency and how can they work systematically with
climate intelligent practices, inclusion of vulnerable groups and other issues?
One answer is better monitoring.

Danish Forum for Microfinance has completed the SAVIX learning process
2018-21 on how to improve monitoring and evaluation through the SAVIX
database. Danchurchaid. ADRA Denmark, Baptist Union Denmark, Churches

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Arusha, Tanzania. The DFM SAVIX network learned a lot from working with Hugh Allen and VSLAssociates and Prof. Roy Mersland and team, Agder University. Please discover more here:

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