Closing Remarks Advisory Group Microfinance Workshop

PROMOTING A FAVORABLE POLICY ENVIRONMENT FOR COMMERCIALLY SUSTAINABLE MICROFINANCE

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- 1. Microfinance Concepts
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1. Microfinance Concepts

- "Social Responsibility" vs. "Commercialism"
- "Access to Finance" or "Cost"

2. Conditions For Commercialization

- Financial market distortion which may be caused by preferential treatment to microfinance institutions.
- Financial risks which may be caused by rapid growth of microfinance markets.
- Risk vs. profitability.



3. Illustrative Examples

Microfinance International

: diversification of financial products

KIVA

: usage of IT technology



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- Product diversification
- Balancing "Social Responsibility" and "Commercialism"