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leading CSR strategy in Latin America must include innovative models of products and services oriented at the base of the pyramid.

Public-private partnerships and cooperation with other organizations are essential for the development of programs focused on base of the pyramid and inclusive business.

Products and services targeted at the base of the pyramid, and therefore, accessible to individuals with low income are social and economic development generators well as a source of competitiveness for the company.



More than 5 billion people in the world live with less than US\$ 10 a day, according to data from the World Bank.

















CONCLUSIONS **ABOUT US**

THE BUSINESS CONTEXT

AT THE BOP Business at the base of the pyramid operates in socially unstable and, at times, dysfunctional environments. To operate in this type of context, BoP initiatives must take into account the underlying factors which come into play in a malfunctioning society, as these could jeopardize the viability of the BoP program. The map below outlines a series of variables present in BoP environments which are also integral parts of the vicious cycle of poverty. **DISPARITIES IN** WEALTH DISTRIBUTION INFLATION

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DISPARITIES IN WEALTH DISTRIBUTION

BoP environments are found within economies with strong imbalances in the distribution of wealth. These are characterized by the existence of minorities who control the majority of resources in comparison to large portions of the population who live close to, or below, the poverty line.

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FRAGILITY OF SOCIO-POLITICAL SYSTEMS

In BoP environments, the actions of States are limited due to a lack of structures, capacity and resources. The existence of poorly democratic and unstructured political systems weaken judicial security, crime prevention and corruption as well as the defense of citizens' interests; especially the most vulnerable groups.

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YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

BoP environments tend to have an abundant and young demographic composition, which combined with few development opportunities, generate large pools of young people dedicated to the informal economy or illegal activities (drug trafficking networks, piracy or guerrillas). The search for protection and sense of belonging drives them, in some cases, to engage in the so-called kinships.



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INFLATION

The population at the base of the pyramid is especially vulnerable to raising prices of basic goods. This weak economic structure, with the absence of basic infrastructure and a poorly educated and low-income population, makes economies rigid and susceptible to any movements in the prices of resources which could make inflation rise to double or triple digits.















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Lack of basic WEALTH DISTRIBUTION

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YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

Price of water

FOOD PRICES

The price of food has undergone a strong increase in recent years. According to various economic studies, the price of food will continue to experiment strong rises due to an increase in demand and its limited potential to increase supply productivity.

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OIL PRICE

The price of oil is a critical factor for price levels in an economy, not only due to the cost of energy as such, but also due to its indirect transfer of costs to the rest of the economy. Thus, the price of oil impacts on the costs of production, employment, the cost of fertilizers and even the cost of food.



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Agricultural

productivity

Different factors like climate which affects the change climatological of volatility patterns such as rainenvironmental degradation, competition over the use of land, shortages in fertilizers, and the price of water and the use of part of land for the generation of energy, will affect agricultural productivity in the coming years.





















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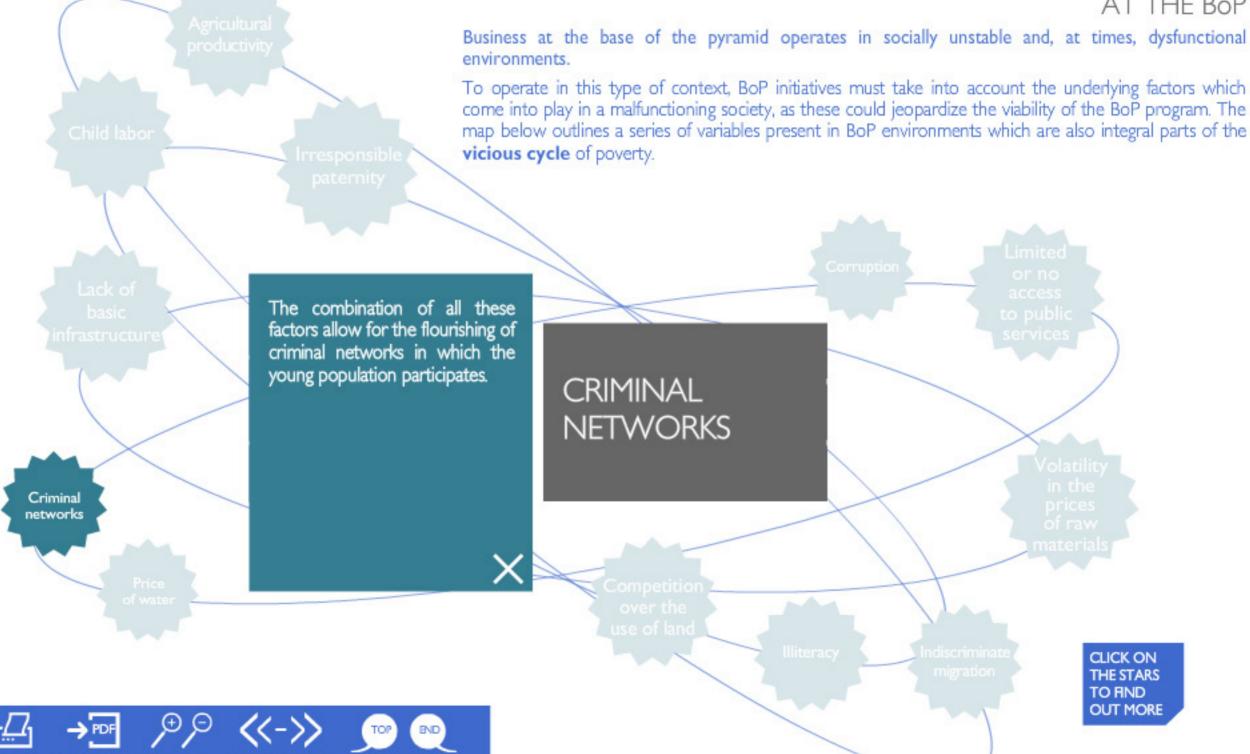




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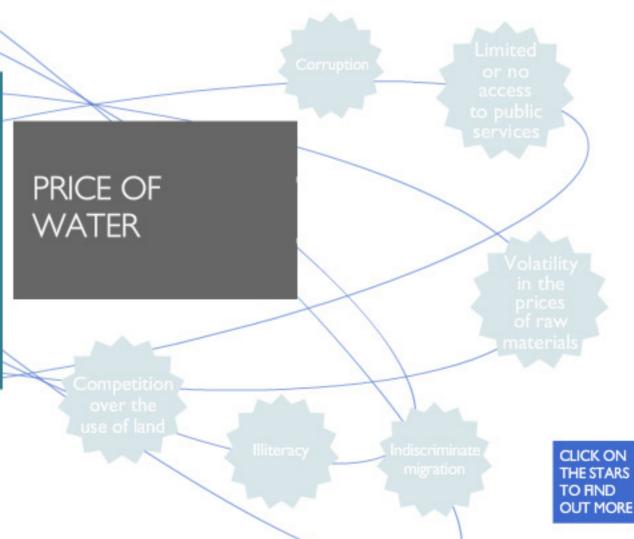
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resources

In no economy in the world, does the price of water take into account its shortage or its treatment and transport costs. As the access to water becomes more expensive and scarce, the price of water will slowly adjust to the capacity of its supply, increasing its price.









Price of water







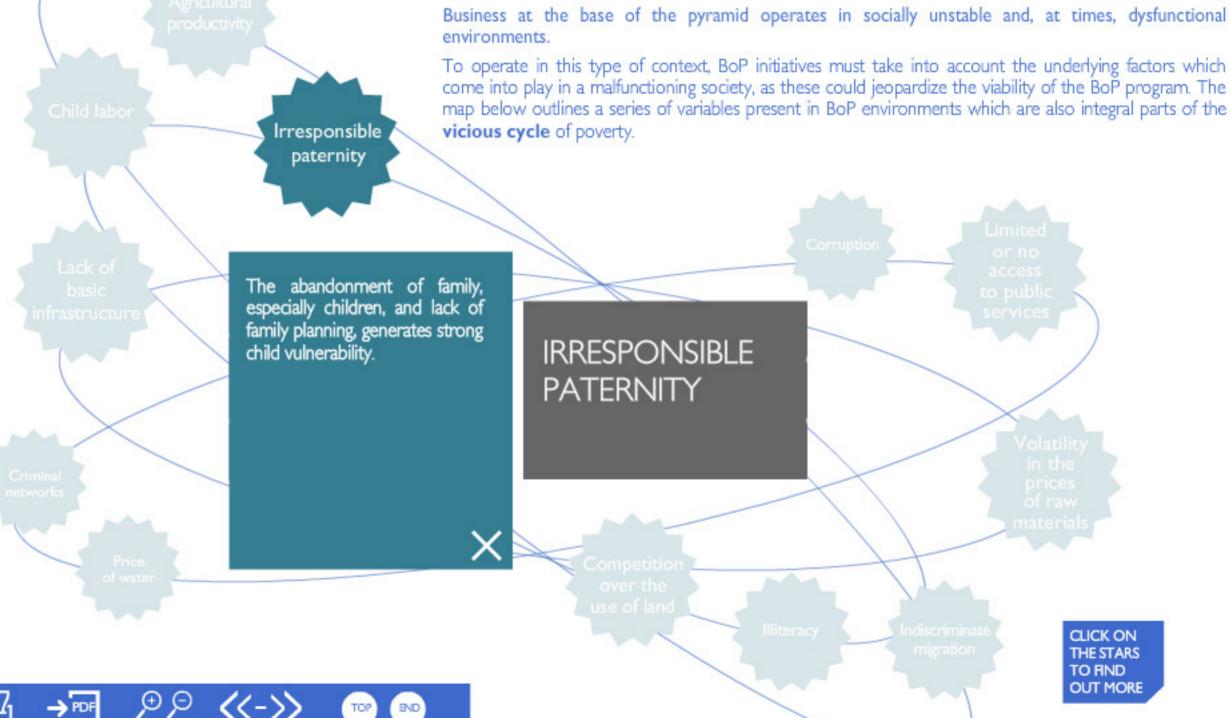




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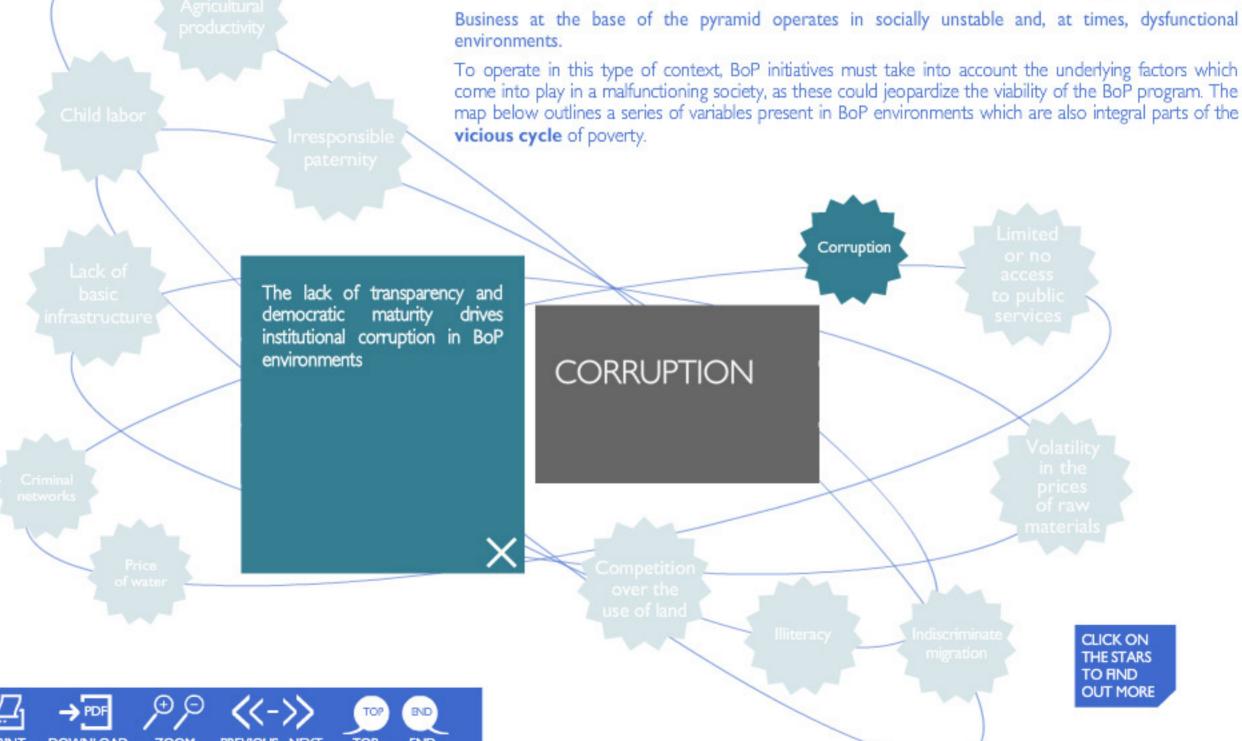




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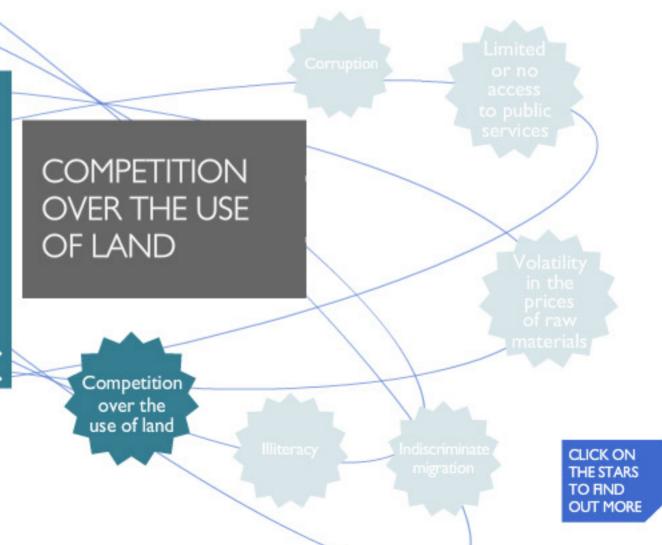


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Generalized illiteracy prevents local

economy from developing advanced economic sectors. It can also lead to serious social consequences like irresponsible paternity or the transmission of diseases as well as preventing the adoption of essential social values like equality, religious freedom or labor rights.

ILLITERACY Illiteracy CLICK ON THE STARS TO FIND **OUT MORE**















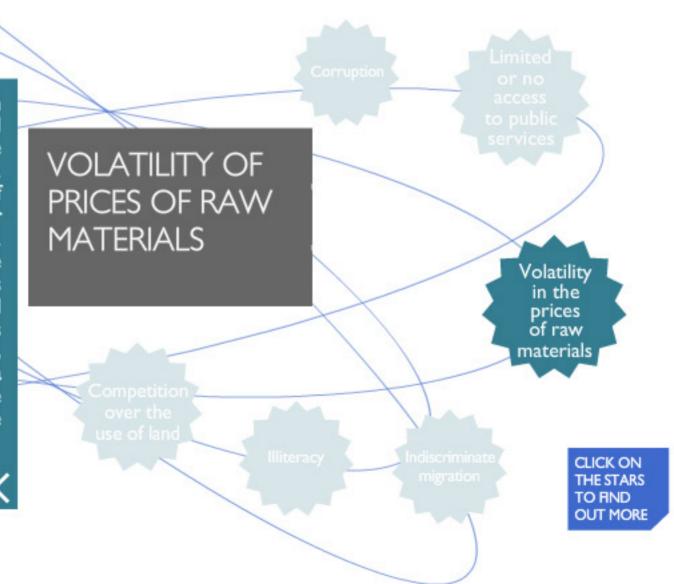


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The increasing correlation between raw materials will increasing the accentuate. probability of shocks to supply. For example, the production of energy is very intensive in water use, as it is agricultural production. Steel and other metals are intensive in energy. Energy is intensive in the use of oil and carbon, amongst others. It seems reasonable that food, energy, water and steel prices have a strong relationship so that the scarcity of one will limit the production of the other.



















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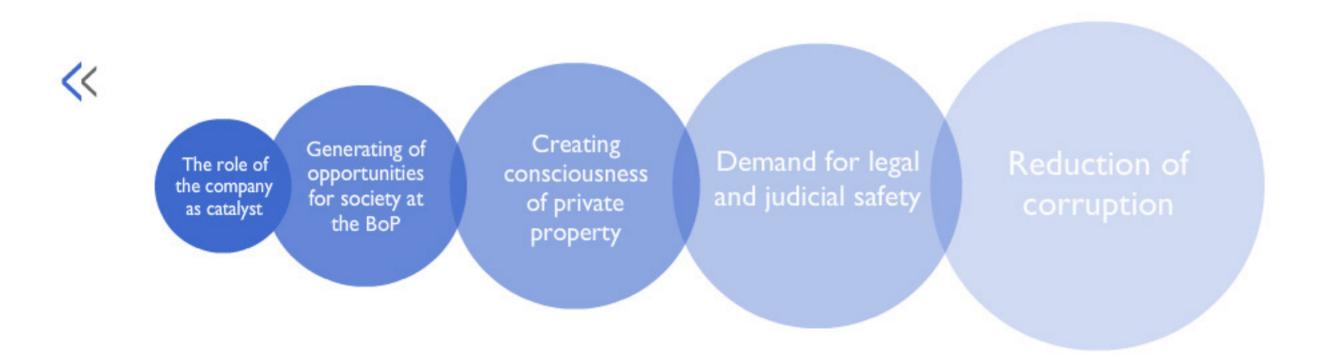


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The essence of the concept of "base of the pyramid" is that it tries to convert dysfunctional societies into functional ones. This process opens a wide range of opportunities to generate shared value amongst society, socio-political systems and companies. The impact of companies at the BoP takes place, fundamentally, in two ways: the direct generation of business opportunities in the supply chain and the opening of new markets or, through social investment programs like the creation of scholarship programs, donations or other types of support. These interventions are done at different levels of the pyramid and depending on the different factors, results in distinct business activities. Let's review some of them.

Demand for legal and judicial safety Creating consciousness of private Generating of opportunities property for society at THE ROLE OF THE COMPANY AS A the BoP **CATALYST** The role of the company Companies and other entrepreneurship initiatives can as catalyst contribute to the eradication of poverty in society, through business interventions at the BoP, allowing the transformation of the socio-economic fabric in their different forms. BND



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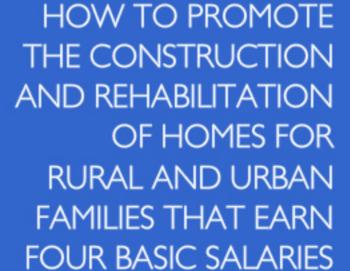






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PATRIMONIO HOY (HERITAGE TODAY): MUCH MORE THAN A HOME



The objective of this program is to support low-income families, providing them with complete and accessible solutions for the construction and rehabilitation of their homes and the facilitation of microcredits (70 weeks and a weekly payment of \$19 USD) for the acquisition of construction materials and technical advice.

To date, more than 187 million dollars have been granted as credit.

Since its creation 13 years ago, the 84 centers that manage the program have benefitted more than 1.6 million Mexicans. During this time, more than 2.8 million square meters of housing have been built in 47 cities. As a result, more than 336 families have a better quality one bedroom house. 70% of the program participants in Mexico agree that they could have not built their homes without the support provided by the program.

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Additionally, "Patrimonio Hoy" promotes local economic development and generates employment for construction workers and others at the local level. In particular, it offers significant job opportunities for women. The 810 local promoters of the program- persons who sell and manage the credits- are women, half of whom did not have any previous work experience. Through "Patrimonio Hoy", they receive training, experience and the opportunity to have significant income as well as an esteemed position amongst their community.

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Specific benefits of the program for families.

Purchase and use of construction materials for a 10 meters square room. It traditionally involves:

- Investment of \$1,500 USD
- Duration of 260 weeks
- Inefficient use and loss of 35% of materials (lack of technology, proper use and inadequate
- Risk of the increase in the price of materials and labor
- Frustration and resignation leading to inaction.

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PATRIMONIO HOY (HERITAGE TODAY): MUCH MORE THAN A HOME



With Patrimonio Hoy:

- Investment: \$1,000 USD
- Duration: 70 weeks
- Inefficient use and loss of 5% of materials (application)
- Self-reliance and sense of achievement
- Access to the federal fund, "Esta es tu casa" and accelerate the accumulation of property. (2X + PH)

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Awards and recognition of "Patrimonio Hoy":

2006- Winner of World Business Award

2007- Recipient of the Award for Corporate Citizenship of the Americas

2009- Honored with the United Nations World Habitat Awards in the solutions to accessible housing category

2010- Business in the Community's (BITC) Big Tick Award awarded to CEMEX for its "Patrimonio Hoy" program in Mexico and Latin America.

CLICK HERE More information:

http://www.cemex.com/SustainableDevelopment/cases/MoreThanHome.aspx (ENG)

http://www.cemexmexico.com/DesarrolloSustentables/PatrimonioHoy.aspx (ESP)































HOW TO DEVELOP, WITHIN A LARGE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, A BUSINESS **UNIT DEDICATED TO GRANTING ACCESS TO** MARKETS AND FINANCIAL **SOLUTIONS FOR** INTERMEDIARIES WORKING ON MICROCREDIT?

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CITI MICROFINANCE



Citi works with the microfinance sector and various investors through their business units and regions to develop products, distribution channels and adequate financing structures to increase the reach and impact of financial services at the base of the pyramid.

Citi participates in these activities through the provision of direct financing and structured finance to associated financial institutions, access to local capital markets, foreign exchange and interest hedging, as well as through payment services and access to alternative distribution channels (prepaid cards, mobile banking, access to non-banking representatives) oriented at the base of the pyramid.

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CITI **MICROFINANCE**



Benefits of this initiative:

- Through this strategy Citi serves more than 140 microcredit actors in 40 countries, 13 of which are in Latin America, Citi's largest presence in microcredit. It has supported the development of microcredit as an essential part of the financial infrastructure, offering innovation, financing and product-development for this segment of clients.
- Citi developed a successful \$350 Billion USD program with the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) for long-term financing in local currency of microfinance institutions. This program has already financed more than 29 institutions, impacting on 330,000 micro-businesses in 16 countries around the world.

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CITI MICROFINANCE



- Citi has acted as a structuring and placement agent of the first international bond of ACP Group, a not-for-profit regional organization with microcredit investments in 10 Latin American countries.
- Citi, through its subsidiary Banamex, has joined several investors to launch the Microcredit Growth Fund (MIGROF), a microcredit funding initiative in Latin America comprised of over \$250 million USD.
- Innovation in products; PRO-SAVINGS. CLICK HERE http://pro-savings.org/en
- Through its own infrastructure, Citi has joined forces with microcredit institutions and governments to provide access to financial services to clients at the base of the pyramid through more accessible distribution channels: non-banking agents, prepaid cards or mobile banking initiatives for example.

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HOW TO CREATE A COMMERCIAL **MODEL FOR GAS** DISTRIBUTION ADAPTED TO LOW **INCOME AREAS?**

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"CUARTEL V" GASIFICATION PROJECT



In 2002, 65% of the population of the Cuartel V neighborhood in the greater Buenos Aires, Argentina, lived under the poverty line and did not have access to basic services such as gas or drinking water.

Companies experienced difficulties in extending their gas networks in these areas through a conventional commercial model. Access to the gas network requires external funding difficult to obtain for inhabitants in this area with unstable and precarious employment.

The creation of a new commercial and operational model which involved the local community became necessary.

With the support of the experience of the organization "Fundación Pro Vivienda Social", working in the area to improve living standards and infrastructure, Gas Natural Fenosa established a relationship with the community. Neighbors, represented through neighborhood associations, committed to the project, financed through the Solidarity Network Trust, a fund created by public and private capital.

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"CUARTEL V" GASIFICATION PROJECT



Gas Natural Fenosa executed the project to extend the gas network and adopts its processes based on the specific features of the neighborhood. Changes in the billing process were introduced and a new form of commercial relationship is developed; for example, a public pay-phone was installed to allow access to client services

Benefits of the program:

- 20,000 direct beneficiaries (more than half of the target population)
- Reduction in the amount of the family budget dedicated to energy- from 14% to 3%
- Access to cleaner energy
- · Increase in the value of the properties
- · Construction of over 84,000 meters of new gas networks
- · Approximately USD 300,000 in profits

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http://www.gasnaturalfenosa.com/en/home/reputation (ENG)

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HOW TO INCREASE WASTE RECYCLING AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIVE OF PEOPLE THAT WORK IN OUR KEY **MARKETS?**

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WASTE TO WEALTH



Since 2008, PepsiCo Latin America, in cooperation with regional partners like the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and local NGOs, have established the recycling program, "Waste to Wealth."

The objective of the program is to promote recycling solutions for solid waste that:

- a. Contribute to the care and conservation of the environment
- b. Improve the quality of life and work of recycling workers
- c. Facilitate the development of local recycling markets, are sustainable in time and involves PepsiCo, its people and products

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WASTE TO WEALTH



Argentina: Cooperation with the NGO AVINA and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to develop the local market for recycling, supporting 2000 recyclers between 2010 and 2013. The program includes the support to ten recycling cooperatives through training, equipment, and integration in the supply chains of large companies.

Bolivia: Cooperation with IDB and the NGO Swisscontract to support 20 local municipalities to start 20 micro-entrepreneurship activities related to cleaning and recycling, which will benefit the local communities between 2010 and 2013.

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WASTE TO WEALTH



Colombia: Partnership with IDB, the Association of Recyclers of Bogotá and the Avina Foundation to create a recycling cluster which will help people who work within the industry to access training, equipment and technology. 2009-2012

Guatemala: Recycling program in partnership with CabCorp and the NGO Fundes through the creation of community micro entrepreneurship projects. Training module for groups working on the collection of PET and sale to recycling companies, using the reverse logistical system of Cab Corp. Currently, 88 communities are beneficiaries of the program.

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OPORTUNIDADES BAVARIA: MICROCREDITS AND EDUCATION



Small shopkeepers (tenderos) represent a significant percentage of retail sales in Colombia and are an essential part of the supply chain for any company in the country. According to a study undertaken about shopkeepers, one of the greatest aspirations of this population is to guarantee advanced education for their children and to access financing opportunities.

SABMiller and the Bavaria Foundation developed the "Oportunidades Bavaria" program. Through a strategic partnership with private banks- in order for them to believe in the shopkeepers and consider them as dients with specific needs (like the possibility of paying credits on a daily basis with daily interests), opportunities to access flexible microcredits valued at a total of USD 7.1 million were granted to over 5,390 shopkeepers across the country; 66% of them were women. The support of Bavaria was key to obtaining the commitment of the banking sector and shopkeepers.

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With regards to education, an alliance with the Lumni Foundation was developed. The partnership

was aimed towards improving financing for education and, with the support of Bavaria; a USD 5 million fund was created for the children and grandchildren of shopkeepers, providing them with the option of studying technical and technological careers. As a result of the program, more than 5,500 students have registered. Out of these, 950 are currently being financed and are active.

66% of these students are the children and grandchildren of shopkeepers. The best students are provided further incentives, like computers. Additionally, they are monitored during the course of their studies and provided with guidance for their professional life and labor inclusion.

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WHICH IS THE INITIATIVE THAT THE IDB HAS CREATED TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS **DEVELOPMENT MODELS AT** THE BASE OF THE PYRAMID IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN?

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE MAJORITY



The initiative, Opportunities for All (OMJ), created in 2007, by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), promotes and finances sustainable business models that involve the private sector, local governments and communities around the development and provision of quality goods and services of quality to the socio-economic base of the pyramid (BoP) in Latin America and the Caribbean.

OMJ aims to increase productivity, integrate low-income populations into the formal economy, create employment, contribute to reducing the market gaps that increase costs for those that are least likely to be able to manage them and promotes quality goods and services for the 360 million people in Latin America and the Caribbean which are that the BoP. OMJ offers three types of products: loans, guarantees and grants or technical cooperation.

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OMJ supports different innovative approaches and financially sustainable models with the possibility of increasing the scale. The initiative supports several innovative projects including:

Promotion of higher quality and lower prices. New technologies, new materials, designs and production processes support the lowering of prices and thus, increase their access to BoP markets.

Building local supply chains. The use of local ecosystems and value creation through local micro-companies is an excellent strategy to build supply chains (buyers and sellers), distribution and sales channels. This benefits the company because it facilitates access, not just to a wide base of consumers and suppliers, but also to clients and a micro-company environment.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE MAJORITY



Promote opportunities for companies and local entities. Private sector managers do not always understand the specific needs of their low-income clients. Getting closer to local communities can promote the development of combined solutions to satisfy those needs. This approach can attract community organizations, NGOs, local governments, social enterprises and other agents to create new opportunities.

Adaptation of products, services and distribution channels to widen access. Products and services can be adapted to the consumption profiles and financial limitations of the low-income markets. For example, products in smaller containers, prepaid services or innovative credit models can increase the access of the majority to essential products and services.

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Provide greater value for products. The integration of various services in one package tends to be a successful strategy to promote the access of low-income communities to essential services. There are several possibilities: banking through mobile phones, electricity bills which also provide access to credit, free training and capacity development to producers for the acquisition of materials are some examples of combined innovative solutions.

Offer the possibility of repeating successful experiences. The duplication of successful models is an essential part of the preparation of transformative projects; many projects can begin with pilot experiments and afterwards, obtain a greater scale. Additionally, the project can be replicated in other parts of the world.

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- 5. INNOVATION IS AN IMPORTANT ASPECT
- 6. PARTNERSHIPS AND COOPERATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS IS ESSENTIAL
- 7. A BRAND STRATEGY IS NEEDED
- 8. THE IMPACT AND RETURN ON INVESTMENT MUST BE CONTROLLED

















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Business at the BoP must be approached, apart from the focus on social development, from a perspective of profitability and self-sufficiency; it should not be confused with the philanthropic activities of the company. This requires the development of metrics which include economic indicators, of impact on the organization and of social and environmental impacts (which capture the shared-value creation of the BoP initiative). Such metrics are key in valuing the success of the project and allow for strategic decision-making such as the need to introduce certain modifications to the project, cancel or scale it up.

















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BoP markets are comprised of low-income individuals with significant needs and demands. Even if the product or service covers those needs, it is important to analyze how and under which parameters this concrete need will turn into demand. In Latin America, thanks to economic growth and social mobility, this new demand must be guided and educated to use these products in a sustainable manner.















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Business strategies at the base of the pyramid require an adaptation of the business model. BoP markets function with a high number of transactions, of low value (normally cash) and with limited margins. Development timelines are frequently long and require great organizational flexibility which promoting adaptability and a long-term vision.















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Beyond strategies to develop and sell products at the BoP, companies will find great value in doing business at the base of the pyramid as they search for new formulas to integrate this segment of the population in parts of their value chain, for example as an array of suppliers or distributors.















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It is a critical process which must be reinforced by the company and in cooperation with their internal stakeholders (creation of multidisciplinary groups, business units and corporate functions). Innovation, applied to development, design and production, in relation to clients and suppliers, in logistics or management of cash should be one of the key parameters to create products and services which generate shared-value for the company and the BoP.















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Cooperation with other agents (public administration, multilateral institutions and organizations, NGOs, local leaders, other companies) is a key aspect of understanding these markets and offering solutions which generate value. One must work on the creation of networks which spawn social capital and reputation and can support the success of the initiative. Leadership and understanding from a human perspective is necessary so that the project doesn't lose its essence, as the metrics are not purely commercial (social responsibility).















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The planning and development of a communications and reputation strategy to support the success of the project is important. The key is that the inclusive business programs have a positive impact on the company brand through the communication of the impacts of the BoP strategy in the community and with real stories from the direct beneficiaries of the intervention of the company.















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The return on investment must be measured in the long-term when investing in social responsibility. The return on the beneficiaries is not always direct and it also affects the work of organizations, partners, governments and counterparts with whom the company works locally. New forms of social inclusion can be reinforced, where BoP is not only seen as a segment of a potential market (a market to develop).















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