GREEN PERFORMANCE AGENDA (GPA) TOOL KIT FOR MICROFINANCE

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Introduction - HIVOS initiative

Reasons to develop a “Green Agenda” for the MF Sector:

• MFI clients are facing risks arising from climate change and environmental degradation (poverty & climate change link)
• Activities of MFIs and their clients affect the environment and contribute to climate change
• Green energy, green agriculture present opportunities for MFIs and their clients
• Social Performance management is becoming mainstream – Microfinance practitioners and investors focusing on the triple bottom line challenge (3 Ps)

➢ BUSINESS CASE FOR GREEN PERFORMANCE
MILESTONES 2010-2014

- HIVOS wants to support MFIs with a practical guide
- First Discussions with Enclude (former Thodos Facet)
- SPTF Annual Conference in The Netherlands
- MEPI Tool by Marion Allot
- SPTF Working Group on Green Performance of MFIs
- Green Performance Agenda draft is finalised
- Field testing of GPA toolkit with 3 MFIs in Kumiang, PONDUSURCO, and Connec
- SPTF Annual Conference in Panama 2013
- Training of 7 Consultants in East and Southern Africa
- SPTF Annual Conference 2014 new GPA version launched
The Green Performance Agenda (GPA)

Is about;

- **Green**
- **Performance**
- **Agenda**

- Explore Green Opportunities
- Manage Env’t Risks
- Internal Env’t Risks
- External Env’t Risks

Give examples on internal risk, external risk and green opportunity.
Green performance agenda (gpa)

The Toolkit

Self-assessing

e-Learning

Informative
GPA STRUCTURE

Introduction and guidance on how to use

Basic explanations on terminologies and possibilities for environmental performance

8 questions about internal risk management
7 about external (portfolio) risk management
5 about green enterprising

10 questions about your performance ‘tomorrow’

13 sub-tools linked to the improvement of the MFIs performance

5 real life Case Studies from Peru, Indonesia, Angola, Mali, Bosnia-Herzegovina
Tools include:

1. Environmental Mission/Vision/Values
2. Environmental Policy
3. Environmental Manager
4. Environmental Incentives
5. Ecological Footprint
6. Environmental Staff Awareness Raising
7. Environmental Reporting - Indicators
8. Exclusion list – how to implement
9. Screening Tools
10. Environmental Training
11. MIS with Environmental Indicators
12. Green Product Development
13. Environmental Charter
Each Tool

• What is it? What are we talking about?
• When and why is it relevant?
• How to apply / implement
• Examples / good practices
• References & links
The Process/Steps to follow

• Challenges faced by MFI
  – Ability to set aside time for the tool kit
  – Understanding the process and implementing the tool kit at the same time
  – Understanding the Language
  – Getting staff commitment

• Hivos has trained consultants to help MFIs roll out the process

• Role of the consultant
  – Introduce the tool kit in a simple manner
  – Simplify terminology
  – Present a structured programme
  – Holds the mirror for you to reflect
Steps to Follow

• Agree with MFI on the need for GPA
• Agree on Funding modalities
• Hivos selects and contracts appropriate consultant
• MFI and consultant agree on time line
• GPA tool kit is implemented
• Consultant submits reports to Hivos/Enclude (for quality control)
• MFI implements recommended tools.
Links to the GPA

• Download Green Performance Toolkit:
  https://www.dropbox.com/sh/t226uxbewcepguj/AACIHAp3rXe0vuhh2qsC8GkWa?n=52444030

2 -pager green Performance Agenda:
Thank you for your attention!