HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH

Did you miss our webinar on “Meso-level distribution: Opportunities and challenges”? Watch the recording to learn about opportunities and challenges in meso-level distribution. The panelists presented diverse viewpoints on aggregate distribution and portfolio covers and the roles of various stakeholders. It also highlighted experiences of scaling up and its impact on customer understanding and client value. This webinar was jointly organized by the Facility and the Global Index Insurance Facility. Learn more about the partnership here.

KNOWLEDGE UPDATE

Briefing Note: The value of claims analysis in health microinsurance: Learning from three South Asian cases
Jeanna Holtz, Tobias Hoffarth and Sapna Desai
Most providers of health microinsurance can do more to understand the illness and claims patterns of insured clients. This brief provides insights from a comparative analysis of claims data of three South Asian programmes run by VimoSEWA, Uplift and Naya Jeevan.

The role of microinsurance in social protection: A country study of Vietnam
Gaby Ramm and Mayur Ankolekar, Microinsurance Network
This paper aims to gather information and evidence on the practices related to microinsurance in Vietnam. It discusses the different roles that microinsurance can play in the context of Vietnam's social protection system and offers recommendations for integrating microinsurance into the country’s social protection solutions.

Microinsurance in Western Asia
Markus Loewe and Coralie Zaccar, United Nations Economic And Social Commission For Western Asia and International Labour Organization
This study gathers incidence and experience of microinsurance schemes in Western Asia. With several studies demonstrating the potential of microinsurance in other regions, it discusses how microinsurance might help extend the coverage of social protection schemes in Western Asia.

Microinsurance 2014 full-year report
Allianz SE
Allianz has released its microinsurance full-year report. Highlights include 44.6 million lives insured, premiums exceeding €100 million, and the results of a customer conversion pilot in Indonesia.

NEWS FLASH

Apply now for a knowledge management internship at the Facility
The Facility is looking for a knowledge management intern to support dissemination activities and repackaging content to make it more accessible for practitioners and other stakeholders. We offer a great learning opportunity within an experienced, diverse team of professionals with private sector and
development backgrounds. If you are interested, please send your CV and short cover letter by 3rd May to impactinsurance@ilo.org

Call for proposals - 11th International Microinsurance Conference 2015
The 11th International Microinsurance Conference will focus on “Driving growth and sustainability – A business case for microinsurance”. Presentations must include concrete lessons learnt and recommendations for the audience. Please submit all proposals by the 8th May.

Call for application: The financial inclusion challenge
The Wall Street Journal is inviting enterprises around the world to submit short video proposals that showcase their solutions to the problems of financial inclusion, focusing on addressing the difficulties in joining and staying in the financial mainstream in the Asia-Pacific region. The last date for submitting applications is 15th May.

How to encourage the insurance industry in Africa to provide sustainable insurance services to the unserved
27th – 28th May 2015, Tunis, Tunisia
This policy seminar and consultative forum will focus on the frequently observed lack of relevant incentives for insurance providers to offer services to low income clients. The event will take place on the sidelines of the 42nd AIO Conference and General Assembly. Read the concept note here.