

Banking on Women: IFC Investment and Advisory Services Offering for Women-Owned SMEs

Financial Markets
May 2013

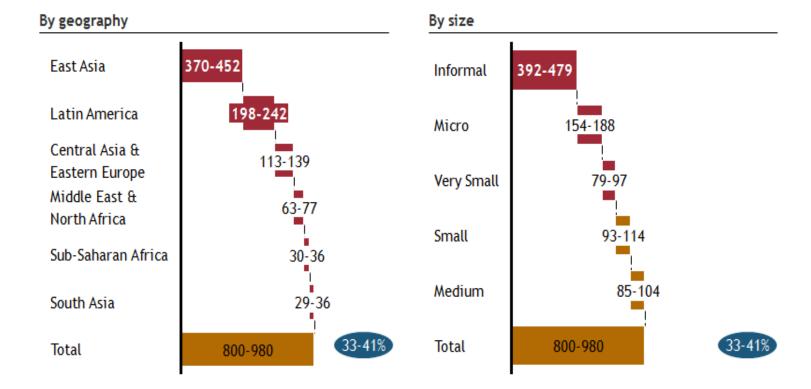




Total firms with at least one female owner collectively face a US\$1Trillion credit gap

Value of total MSMEs with at least one female owner credit gap in emerging markets USD Billions

% of total MSME credit gap







IFC's Gender Baseline Survey of Portfolio Clients Shows Low Access to Finance for Women

➤ Data from 34 IFC client banks in 25 countries covering 6 regions shows that about 16% of our client bank SME portfolios are loans to women-owned SMEs (with 51%+ women ownership)

Region	% of women-owned SMEs in IFC client bank portfolios
East Asia and Pacific	26.6%
Latin America and the Caribbean	22.2%
Europe & Central Asia	18.1%
Sub-Saharan Africa	15.1%
South Asia	9.5%
Middle East & North Africa	5.7%
Global	16.4%

- > Regional percentages allow for establishment of minimum regional thresholds
- Regional numbers also enable regions to fine tune SME and BOW strategies and establish IDG3 gender targets





IFC analysis demonstrates the Business Case for Banks targeting the Women's Market

Factor*

Description

Market Share Growth

- ➤ Provides source of market differentiation in competitive SME markets
- > Establishes reputation as an innovator
- Entry and differentiation in specific sectors where concentration e.g. retail, mobile, youth, health
- > Creates strong community-based advocacy and enhances corporate social responsibility

Higher Cross-Sell and Loyalty

- ➤Once main banker status achieved, higher cross-sell ratio's (between 1 and 2 times)
- Higher footings obtained per relationship and higher fee generation
- ➤ Respond well to relationship management-based models and willing to pay for it
- Demonstrate stronger retention rates in many clients

Strong Savings Propensity

- Female customers have a higher propensity to save both as business and personal customers
- Deposits from female customers typically grow at higher rate and stay with the Bank longer
- > Net funding surplus as a segment

Positive Risk Behavior

- Female customers have lower risk tolerance as both business and personal customers
- >Women-led businesses outperform those led by men, including start-ups
- Stronger business plans can create higher acceptance rates and reduced processing costs
- Default rates are either the same or better than male counterparts depending upon market

Linkage to Family Wallet

- Take the business relationship, high likelihood that will take majority of family wallet
- > High advocacy creates strong conversion rates for husband business and personal FS
- ➤ Up to 85% of family financial decisions made by the women globally





Banking on Women IFC's Financial Markets

Access to Finance for Women Entrepreneurs

Access to Advisory
Services for Women
Entrepreneurs;
Strengthening Financial
Infrastructure

Piloting Access to Housing Finance, Insurance, \$250M Women's Market Bond Issue







- •IFC Capital and/or AAA balance sheet support (FM)
- IFC strategic advise to Financial Institutions on customer acquisition and management (A2F)
- IFC strategic advise to corporates to strengthen women entrepreneurs in value chains
- Training to women entrepreneurs including: business planning, financial literacy, demystifying banks,
- Strengthening networking platforms to support access to mentoring and markets
- IFC's investment climate work focused on broadening financial infrastructure i.e. Credit bureaus and collateral registries





IFC has a unique value proposition, combining both investment and advisory services

- Facilitate financial institutions to recognize and seize the untapped and profitable opportunities that women entrepreneurs represent
- Support financing needs to effectively target women entrepreneurs
- Raise awareness of best practices and build capacity of partner FIs committed to offering financial services to women entrepreneurs

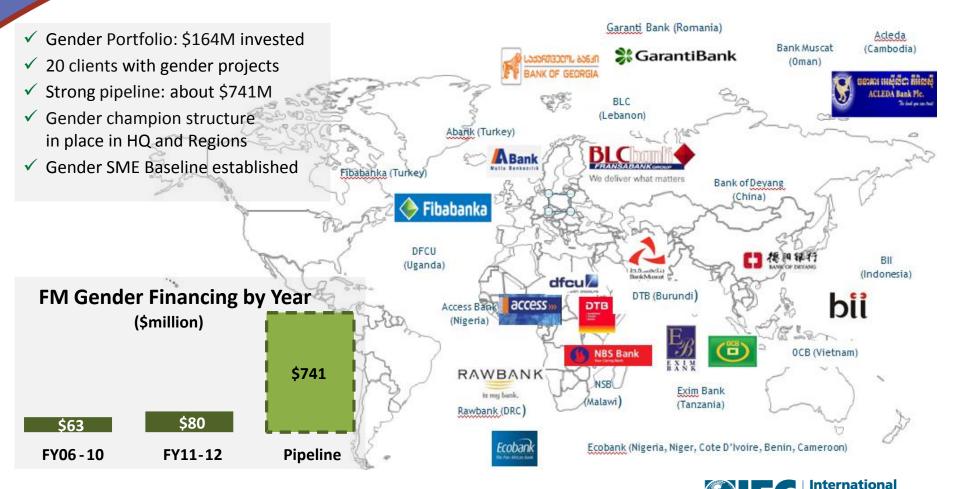
	IFC's Banking on Women Proposition						
Investment Services	Advisory Services						
	Strategy & analytics	Product Management	Training	Networking & branding	Financial Infrastructure		
facilities Credit lines Loans Equity SME and Credit Insurance Supply chain finance	Gender diagnostic & needs assessment Gender Market research brief Gender Environment scan framewor Gender Bankin practitioner guide	Product Program k	 Gender awareness training for Management IFC Gender skills train course for Women in business training program 	women Frequency	 Collateral Registries Credit Bureaus Regulatory Reform 		



Finance Corporation



A global footprint with investment & advisory projects supporting women entrepreneurs





Policymakers











Comprehensive Approach: Suggested policy recommendations

· oneymakers
☐Develop a definition for establishing a firm knowledge base on women-owned
SMEs
☐Strengthen laws and regulations for non-discrimination of women entrepreneurs
☐Strengthen women property rights
☐Provide education and training for women economic empowerment
☐Create support programs that address financial as well as non-financial barriers
Financial Institutions
☐Eliminate discriminatory practices against women internally and externally
□Support financial literacy among women
Provide innovative solutions to overcome cultural barriers
Develop products for women

