

**REPORT OF THE INAUGURAL MICROFINANCE  
AND SAVINGS GROUPS CONFERENCE HELD  
AT HOTEL AFRICANA  
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### **LIST OF ACCRONYMS**

AMFIU- Association of Microfinance Support Institutions of Uganda

BoU- Bank of Uganda

DCO- District Commercial Officer

ESG- Environmental Social and Governance

FSDs- Financial Sector Developments

HON- Honourable

ICT- information Communication Technology

ID- Identity

LG- Local Government

MDA- Ministries Departments and Agencies

MDI- Microfinance Deposit-taking Institutions

MFI- Microfinance Institutions

MoFPED- Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic Development

MSC- The Microfinance Support Centre  
MUBS- Makerere University Business School  
PROF- Professor  
PROFIRA- Project for financial Inclusion in Rural Areas  
PSST- Permanent Secretary and Secretary to the Treasury  
SACCOs- Savings and Credit Co-operative  
SDGs- Sustainable Development Goals  
SHGs- Self Help Groups  
SMEs- Small and Medium Enterprises  
UBOS- Uganda Bureau of Statistics  
UDB- Uganda Development Bank  
UGX- Uganda Shillings  
UMRA- Uganda Microfinance Regulatory Authority  
URA- Uganda Revenue Authority  
UECCC- Uganda Energy Credit Chaptalization Company  
VSLA- Village Savings and Loan Associations  
NIRA- National Identification and Registration Authority  
NITA- National Information Technology Authority  
PPP- Public Private Partnerships

## **FOREWORD BY Hon. MSFPED (MF) OR PS/ST**

- Giving high-level overview of the conference
- Call for action following conference
- Reaffirming commitment to hold the conference annually
- Written by PS/ST or

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Microfinance and Savings Groups conference was held at Hotel Africana on November 29 – 30, 2022. The aim of the conference was to bring various players to begin debating issues that affect the microfinance sector and to understand issues affecting MFIs and SHGs and design technology to be able to reach the poor and help them access various financial services. The theme of the was “Drivers for Sustainable Microfinance and Savings Group”. The conference captured key emergent areas of feedback relating to MFIs and SHGs such as digital infrastructure and digitization, fostering Collaborations, Climate change and green finance, gender issues, conflicting policies and frameworks in the MoFPED. The conference also discussed areas to take.

### **The following were recommended for next steps:**

- Capacity building of Microfinance Support Centre to ease access to cheaper credit by the MFIs and SHGs
- There is need to boost women’s empowerment, while ensuring men are covered. This is because many women have no access to assets that is a major requirement to access loans from commercial banks. Empowering women can assist in improving economic status of the household. However, women and men group should not be mixed in the support. These should be separated.
- Savings groups should be helped to formalize their operations so that there is continuity and good corporate governance among these SHGS
- UMRA and BoU should address properly regulation issues to bring sanity among MFIs and SHGs as well as protecting the interests of the savers.
- There should be commitment to continuous hosting of the conference
- The Microfinance Forum (MFF) need to be revived
- Vulnerable groups such as People With Disabilities (PWDs), Refugees and others should be included in the financial inclusion policy
- There is need to digitize the microfinance sector to develop it
- Documentations in SHG should be very simple to encourage them first grow naturally
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- There is need to have a National Savings Policy Framework
- Financial literacy of SHGs need to be strengthened to enable their sustainability
- Deepen micro finance insurance
- SHGs should be left to first develop on their own without too much regulations
- MFIs and SHGs should be trained in leadership and governance to improve performance
- Develop and support linkages
- When making regulations, there is need to include executives who have qualifications
- Government should subsidize for capacity development because SHG cannot manage it
- SHG need to open up bank accounts to safeguard their savings well
- A federation/ national apex institution should be put in place to support SHGs
- Establish a national database to strengthen existing SHGs

- There should be continuous support to facilitate benchmarking especially in India and other areas where MFIs and SHGs have thrived
- Segmentation of activities. Government should not be the regulator and at the same time a player in the industry
- Funds should be free from politics
- Sensitize beneficiaries to use the money

This inaugural conference was welcomed by all key stakeholders, with a commitment that it should be supported to become an annual event. The participation was outstanding right from practitioners, academic, regulators and senior most policy makers in government. The presence of the Fountain of Honour direct representation by the Vice President was stamp on the importance of the conference.

## **SECTION ONE: OPENING**

### **1.1 Background**

This was the inaugural Conference on Microfinance and Savings Groups in Uganda. It was convened to bring together actors, policymakers, regulators, development partners, civil society and academic to deliberate on matters pertaining to this sub sector. The conference took place at hotel African on November 29- 30, 2022. This conference attracted key attendees that included; H.E the Vice President Hon Jessica Alupo, Speaker of Parliament Hon Annet Among, the Minister of Microfinance Hon. Haruna Kasolo, the Permanent Secretary/ Secretary to Treasury Mr. Ramathan Ggoobi, experts from India, regulators, Academia, officials from Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and Microfinance players. The deliberations would cement the desired catalysis of the sector to play a greater role towards the country's much desired middle-income status. The program involved ceremonial sessions of opening and closing, key note addresses, paper presentations, deliberations and action planning.

### **1.2 Aims of the conference**

The following were the aims of the conference of

- a) To bring various players to begin debating issues that affect the microfinance sector
- b) To understand and design technology to be able to reach the poor and help them access various financial services with many of our development partners

### **1.3 Conference theme**

The theme of the conference was “Drivers for Sustainable Microfinance and Savings Group”

## **2. Key Emergent Areas of Feedback Relating to Microfinance and Savings Groups**

### **2.1. Regulation - how do we get it right?**

#### **Level of regulation**

It was argued that there is need to leave small Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) and Self-Help Groups (SHGs) alone to let them flourish, arguing that over regulation can kill them off. Others point out that confidence and trust in the sector is important, and for this you need effective regulation. Participants also argued how to find the right balance on regulations. Some argued that the tiered approach was the right one in regulation but those tiers need adjusting, adding that projection of growth from one tier to another for microfinance institutions is so ambiguous calling for the regulator to have a stakeholder engagement to share with them the strategies along each stage.

Key microfinance players partly blame government for over regulating which has killed the sector, however they realize that it is a good idea to regulate and make things right at the fore front, though the various requirements limit their active participation. Further, taxes should be revised and government through MSC, should support and capitalize these MFI if they are to remain in business.

#### **At what point do SACCOs, VSLAs and savings groups need to be regulated?**

Dr Chantala shared the Indian NABARD experience on this stage that SACCOs need more facilitation than regulation from the government. Self-regulation led by SACCO Apex groups has been very effective in India. This will be a key issue as government looks to boost savings groups



through the national policy framework, and introduction of thousands of new government-led SACCOs. That can attract savers to join and let them grow to allow savers confidence in the SACCO.

Prof Balunywa shared the brief highlights that can guide this discussion from bench mark learning study journey that was done and commissioned by Ministry of Finance, this was made in India where best practices are known and are implemented. The study notes concretely call for the sector be left to grow naturally that regulations should come in to guide the business that is already running. The study cautioned the government legal regulations that came ahead of business has killed many informal sectors with the need to formalize them at the primary stages.

### **Coherence of the system**

Many players have been confused over which institutions are regulating which parts of the market. For instance, the case of UMRA vs BoU, the participants argued that the sector need just one regulator for the whole system to eliminate many gaps, allow efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of the sector. That cumbersome and incoherent licensing programme has made adherence to the law difficult and burdensome for the players. Also, the regulations need translation into local languages to enable the VSLAs members understand them their relevance and create adherence. The conference participants required the need to assess the process of going from one part of the system to another (the feedback suggests that the process of going from a VSLA to a SACCO is far too cumbersome, requires a lot of expensive and lengthy travel time and again to secure and complete the process where corruption sets in. this would be minimized through digitization and automation of the process).

## **2.2. Digital infrastructure and digitization**

Digitization is often seen as the solution to many of the sector's problems, MFIs and VSLAs lack the infrastructure. Good data is necessary for digitization to work, but this is lacking – particularly in terms of IDs, NIRA and NITAU need to provide infrastructure at affordable terms which would reduce the costs to drive the sector growth. Some few players can afford to subscribe for their services because they are very expensive. Government need to subsidize these services to make them affordable and accessible for all to allow MFIs and SACCOs access them give out services at a Win-Win outcome. This will drive the drive growth of the economy. In partnership government programmes registered SACCOs and MFIs should be capitalized to take part through PPP to achieve an inclusion growth and make it easy for the government to deliver on her mandate.

## **2.3. Fostering Collaboration**

Commercial banks and MFIs are competing for the same customer. This creates unnecessary competition in the sector. There should be partnership between commercial banks and MFIs to develop the sector together. MFIs borrow from Banks and lend to their customers, this is the reason for higher rates in the MFIs and members argued that government should provide cheap capital to MFIs and make it easy for them to provide low cost loans to the borrowers, reduce government borrowing from commercial banks which disadvantage MFIs and other private players because of

competition for the same resources. Practitioners suggested for establishment of a framework for engagement with development partners including cooperation between Uganda and partners from India.

## 2.4. ESG/Climate change and green finance

**ESG** is about a global framework for assessing the impact of the sustainability and ethical practices of the company internally and externally. Going beyond responsibility to shared value and opportunity with stakeholders. ESG framework composed of 3 pillars;

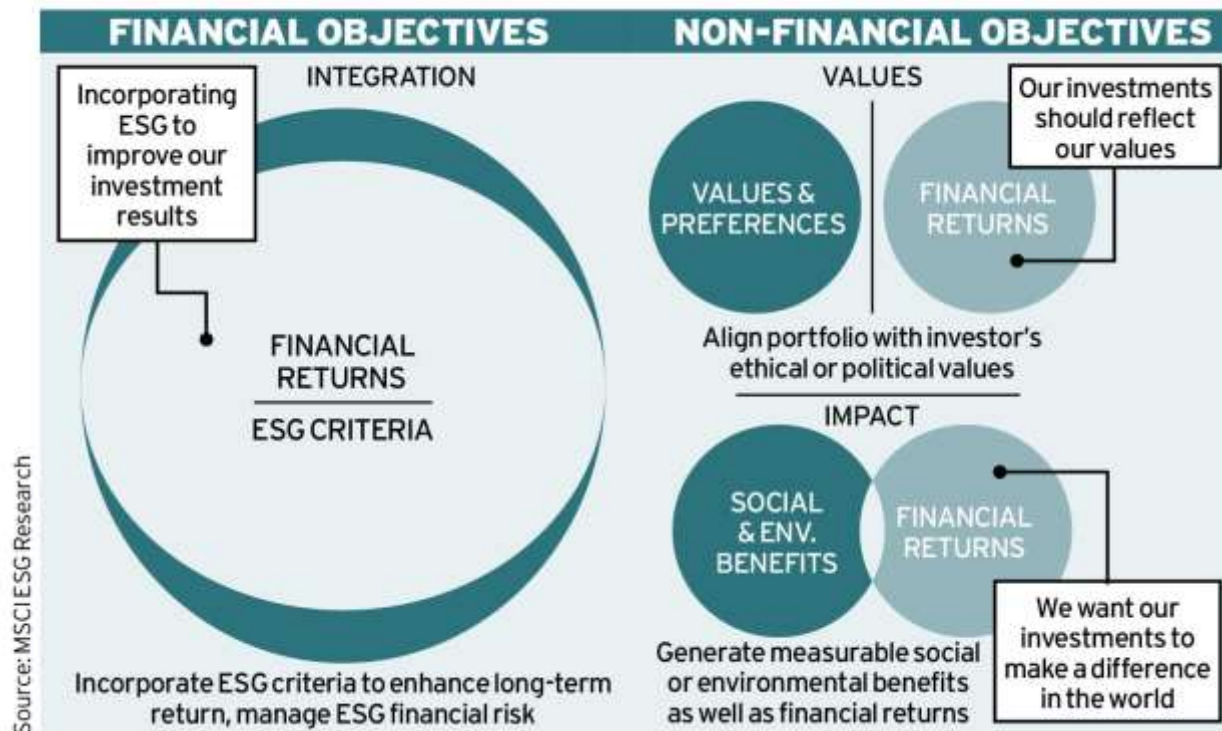
**Environmental pillar** includes; Climate change strategy, Biodiversity, water efficiency, Carbon intensity, Environmental Management Systems, Environment and waste management.

**Social pillar** includes; Equal opportunities, freedom of association, health and safety, Human Rights, Customer and products, Responsibility, Child labour, Corporate Social Investments

**Governance pillar** includes; Business ethics, Compliance, Board independence, Executive Compensation, shareholder democracy, stakeholder and Risk management.

The 3 pillars serve fertile grounds for the financial sector players to invest on. There's need for a strong ESG proposition links to value creation in five essential ways; Top-line growth, cost reductions, regulatory and legal interventions, productivity uplift, and investment and asset optimization. Centenary Bank MD Mr. Fabian Kasi, urged MFIs to adapt to ESG Agenda and comply with international regulatory standards like EU Taxonomy (which serves as the benchmark that the European Union put in place to strengthen sustainable investment and ultimately the European Green Deal that calls for; Obtaining partnership support, Benchmarking best practices and adopt ESG indicators, Developing policy guidelines and governance, Collaborating with value based partners, Carrying out annual or bi-annual audits and Having a companywide scorecard with ownership. However, MFIs should be aware of the challenges to be encountered in trying to embrace ESG including; limitation in commitment

**Figure 1: ESG model**



## 2.5. Gender issues

The conference targeted the best invisible hand in the financial sector since the microfinance and savings groups are the biggest financial actors in the economy. There is need to address the issues of the largest and unrecognized financial players. MFIs and SACCOs are 40% in greater Kampala and 60% in rural areas. Whenever we talk about financial inclusion, we should think about women because the act of savings helps these women to avoid bad effects. If money was found for the ordinary people to invest and expand, then the country will be able to address poverty. Let the government be mindful of the people at the bottom of the pyramid (Omuntu wa Wansi), if this problem is not solved, these people can turn down all the efforts made in the economic growth of this country for decades. There's need for urgent action by reducing excess regulations of the sector and provide funds and support them to develop their aspirations. Of recent BoU released statistics that less than 10% of Ugandans earn above 1m and majority are women, these are very shameful in the country where all efforts are put on the developing indigenous citizens to reduce the percentage of people leaving in poverty. We should graduate and invest resources in the right people to realize the gains, timing should be paramount and enable people to acquire knowledge of financial management even at a VSLA level. 75% of SACCO members are Women there's a growing pushback that men are being excluded from these programmes and even men SACCOs can't access funding, this need to be revised because of late some men are very poor compared to women hence a need for financial inclusion and equity to achieve SDG.

There are also growing conflicts between men and women arising from financial management especially where men and women are in the same SHG. There was a need for a policy framework to ensure that women and girls are included and also restate and renew strategy on women's empowerment. The policy need to reconcile the aspect of gender without promoting gender conflict

and ensure all are included, the government should restate and renew strategy on women's empowerment if the programme agendas is to be realized.

### **2.6. Slow process of getting funds from MSC and too expensive**

There was feedback from audience that it takes 1-2 years to get funds from MSC which is making access to funds almost impossible. The key bottlenecks holding system back include; irresponsible borrowing is a problem - these borrowers make it harder to identify good prospective borrowers. It was discussed that the MSC need to do something about this. Also, there was an issue of affordability of loans. The sector uses borrowed money which attracts a high interest. This means that when these MFIs are lending out money, they end up charging a high interest rate to borrowers which makes microfinance services very expensive.

### **2.7. Conflicting policies and frameworks in the ministry**

The MOFPED has developed numerous policy frameworks some are conflicting with others. There's need for simplification and coherence, make them known. Some policies are very good but idle lying on shelves, the ministry and its partners should develop a strategic communication process for disseminating its various policies and harmonization of action to avoid duplication of efforts and resources.

### **2.8. Savings groups**

Membership in SACCOs and community based savings groups have steadily increased with increasing in savings and loans portfolio due to difficulties in accessing bank loans since many of them lack collateral securities. The government need to invest in shock responsiveness of SACCOs and community based savings group, explore the possibility of increasing access to credit by the UMRA and NIRA to access the credit worthiness of SACCOs and community based savings groups. There are lots of them, we need to help them grow and formalize. However, its good for women's empowerment but they need capacity development. Care International Uganda suggested that government should develop a model management framework for self-help groups including popularizing the connect and SHG operational guidelines, provide avenues for members of more mature SACCOs to transition to commercial businesses, support groups in moving from entrepreneurship towards access to markets, explore the possibility of mobile money sources to increase access to credit for members of SACCOs and community based savings groups, women without an income source from wage labour or self-employment may require cash transfers or graduation programmes before becoming members of SACCOs or community based savings groups. This brings policy makes to assess the impact of various government programmes like UWEF and PROFIRA over the years.

## 2.9. Local capacity

There's Litany of programmes but limited capacity at the local level to coordinate and implement. If the government programmes are to achieve the desired objectives; there's need to employ the right people who can do things right. Many good programmes are marred by unqualified corrupt officials at various local government who believe that no programme can occur at the district without them being the beneficiary in the project. There is need to employ the young people who have appetite for the job, who can deliver to their mandate. There's too much being asked of scant resources at local level, which is not sustainable. Digital solutions can help to solve this problem; government should integrate ICT in these economic empowerment programmes to reap more from it.

## 2.10. Linkage of funds with production

Many SHG have a mentality that government loan is free money that is given out to members as a token of appreciation. This money is most times not put to good use which end up in waste. It is necessary to link loans from government to productive investment to improve the social economic wellbeing of Ugandans. SACCOs and MFIs should encourage investment in production technology using loans

## 3. ACTIONS TO TAKE

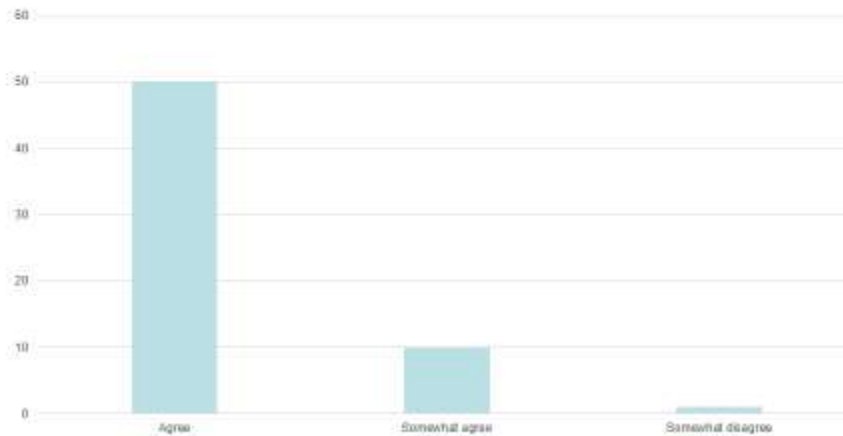
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- w) Segmentation of activities. Government should not be the regulator and at the same time a player in the industry
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- y) Sensitize beneficiaries to use the money well
- z) Invest in impact evaluation

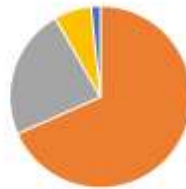
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### Information was well communicated



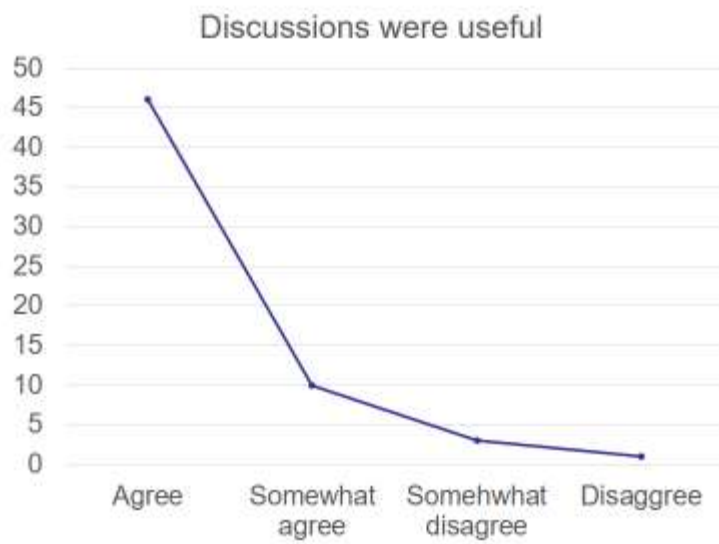
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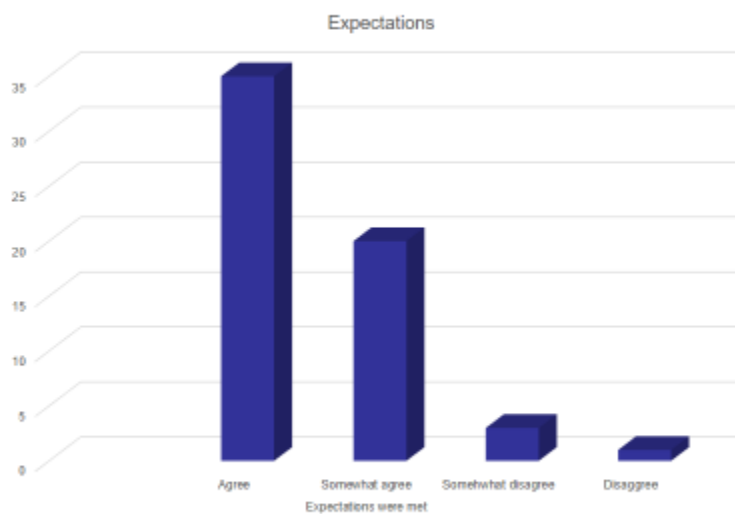


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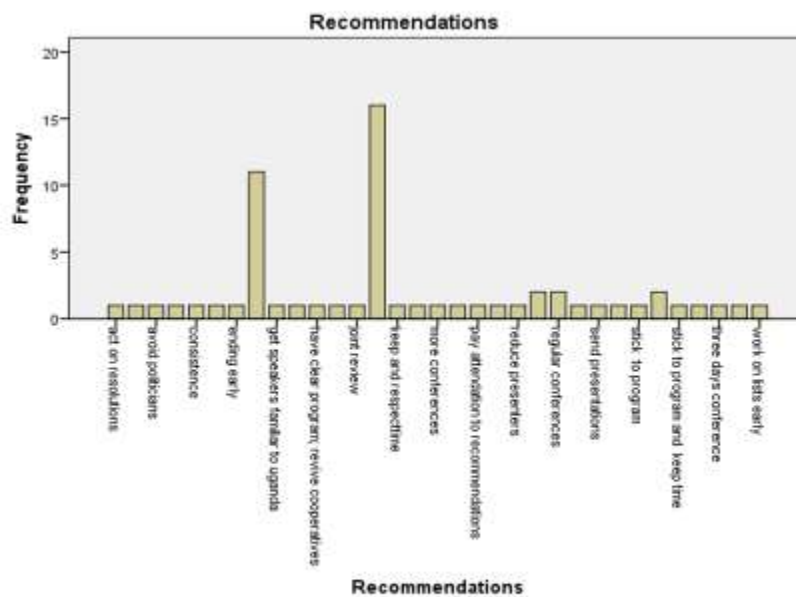
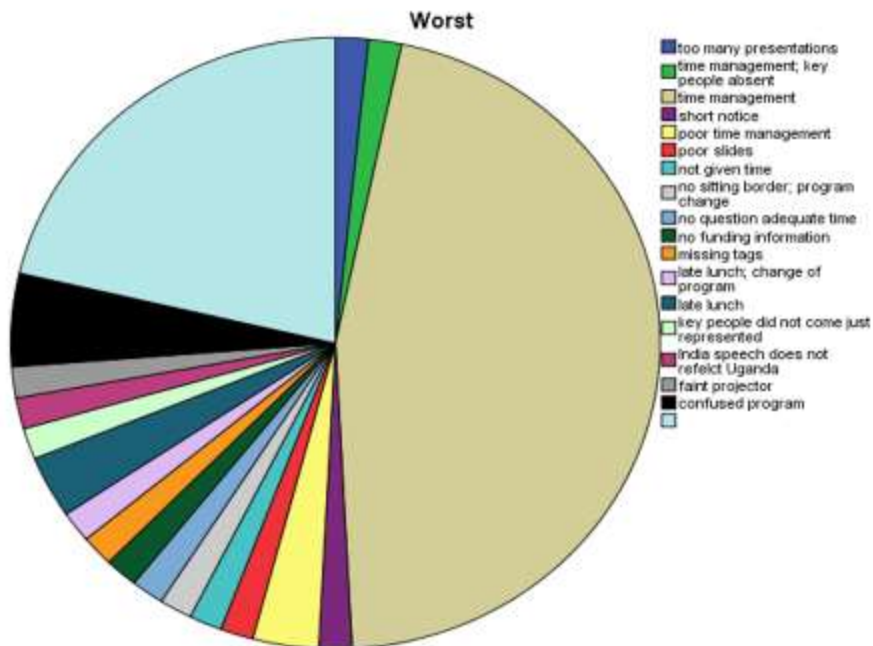
## Good things

- policy framework
- precise discussions
- presentations
- presenters
- refreshments
- research report
- set up
- set up and food
- setup
- sitting arrangement; meals

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- deliberations
- focus on youth
- identified challenges
- Indian presentation
- informative
- involvement
- knowledgeable panelists
- linkages
- materials
- meeting regulators

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## APPENDIX TWO: ATTENDANCE LIST

| SN | NAME                       | WORK                         | S/N | NAME                    | WORK                     |
|----|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1  | TABAN YASSIN               | YUDWESO                      |     | BONZONZYA STEPHEN       | SHNUKV SACCO             |
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| 3  | AGNES NASSUNA              | MUBS                         |     | GUMISIRIZA<br>MANUELINA | BUNYANGABU<br>DEVT SACCO |
|    | DR. PRASAD RAO<br>PASAU    | EEEIPC, INDIA                |     | RONALD KALIKA           | GALLOP<br>INVESTMENTS    |
|    | DR. G.R. CHINTALA          | NAGARD, INDIA                |     | MUHUMUZA<br>KENNETH     | MADFA SACCO              |
|    | GOMAS SRINIVAS             | APMAS<br>HYDERABAD,<br>INDIA |     | NORMAN AYEBALE          | AMFIU                    |
|    | SSALI ISAAC                | KIBOGA DLG                   |     | BALUNGI PATRICK         | BUKOMANSIBI DLG          |
|    | KISEMBO ALI B              | W SACCO                      |     | LUTAAKOME STEPHEN       | MAMIDECOT                |
|    | MAHED MUNROTI              | CENTENARY                    |     | NTEGE KENNETH           | MUKONO DLG               |
|    | NAKALIMO SUSAN<br>AGAT     | NZURI TRUST<br>LTD           |     | KATENDE MUTYABA C       | MATEETE SACCO            |
|    | ROBERT KASUMBA             | MUBS                         |     | MULONI PHILIMON         | MSC                      |
|    | MPINDI HENRY               | AMFIU                        |     | IMMACULATE<br>TUMWINE   | PESS LTD                 |
|    | OTTO FRANCIS               | LLK                          |     | KIWEMBA GRACE<br>MARK   | JINJA DLG                |
|    | OCANCA BOSCO               | LLK                          |     | ATWINE BERNARD          | KASAANA SACCO            |
|    | MURANIRA ALOZIO            | MUSHANGA<br>SACCO            |     | VIOLA B SEMYALO         | FIC                      |
|    | KAHWA DANIEL               | KOLPING MFI                  |     | JAMES JUNGURY           | STANBIC BANK             |
|    | ENON ALEX                  | ALUTWOT<br>SACCO             |     | KYANGWA IVAN            | JINJA DLG                |
|    | SSEMPALA SIRAJE            | S                            |     | ASIIMWE ZAINAB          | KASEESE DLG              |
|    | SAJJABI BAMUZALA<br>ROBERT | UWEZI MFI                    |     | NKOSILATHI MONO         | BRAC BANK                |
|    | OTIM BAKER                 | LUBANGA<br>LADITKIC          |     | AMODING ESTHER          | MOFPED                   |
|    | BEATRICE LUGALAMBI         | CENTENARY<br>BANK            |     | NTALAKA ROBERT          | AMFIU                    |
|    | CADRIBU GIFT               | KOBOKO<br>UNITED SACCO       |     | MUGISHA OLIVER          | KYOBIE FIXERS            |
|    | PROF VINCENT BAGIRE        | MUBS                         |     | NALUGYA SARAH           | KIFFI SACCO              |
|    | KANYOWOZI ARTHUR           | MUHAME FIN<br>SERVICES       |     | MUSASIZI GRESSY         | SOLUTION<br>FINANCE      |
|    | ARUBE NICHOLAS A           | CENTENARY<br>BANK            |     | KATWESIGE ANITA         | FIRSTLINNERS MFI         |
|    | BOB SSEKIZIYIVU            | MUBS                         |     | VEWIWA NAKEDOA          | AMFIU                    |

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|  | OPINY FRANCIS JIMMY       | ALUTKOT SACCO                |  | TUBIHAMYE ELIZABETH      | AMFIU                |
|  | LYNN NASIRUMBI            | BRAINCHILD BCW               |  | VICTOR MUWANGUZI         | CENTENARY BANK       |
|  | MUGISHA ROBERT            | KYELEGWA DLG                 |  | ISABELLA NANSAMBA        | MOFPED               |
|  | ONESMUS RUBAHMYA          | KAMWENGE DLG                 |  | JUMA TWAHA               | KAPCHORWA DLG        |
|  | JOHNMARY KISEMBO          | MUBS                         |  | OKEBO GERALD             | ASMF                 |
|  | AGABA INNOCENT            | MSC                          |  | DRATELE DENIS            | OTTAKA SACCO         |
|  | MUSINGUZI FRED            | KITAGWENDA DLG               |  | AFOYOCAN EMILY AMINA     | POLICE               |
|  | DENISE K                  | FWX ADVERTISING              |  | MUSISI LILLIAN NAMUGAMBE | MASAKA DLG           |
|  | AGUMENAITWE ISABEL        | ULTRA FINANCE                |  | NARUF ISLAM              | ASA- UGANDA          |
|  | KIIZA DENIS MWIRU         | KAMWENGE DLG                 |  | DAN NSIIMIRE BUKALEEBA   | PARLIAMENT           |
|  | TUMUSIIME IRENE STEYSE    | DEVELOPMENT MFI              |  | MICHEAL BUKYENALI        | CENTENNARY BANK      |
|  | WASWA BALUNYWA            | MUBS                         |  | JACQUES MUSODA           | UGAFODE              |
|  | ARUMPA SHIVAN             | JONAKEE HOLDINGS             |  | AMPUMUZA KENETH          | MOFPED               |
|  | KYOSIMBA IMMACULATE       | AMFIU                        |  | JENNEFER KUJAYIGYE       | SENTRIES MICROFINACE |
|  | KABBERA JULIUS            | BUGIRI DLG                   |  | JAMES OMYCITTA           | FINCA                |
|  | KATENDE PAUL              | SOLUTION FINANCE             |  | SSEMPEWO HAMIDAH         | STANBIC BANK         |
|  | OCEN ALFRED               | GULU DLG                     |  | KYAKUHAIRWE JULIAN       | EBO SACCO            |
|  | MFITUMUKIZA AARON         | KISORO MC                    |  | MUGWERI AMBROSE          | MTIC                 |
|  | Yawe ISAAC                | SAO-ZIROBWE SACCO            |  | ABIA TWONGYEIRWE         | MOFPED               |
|  | MATOVU ELNEST             | KALUNGU DLG                  |  | NAMUTEBI HASIFAH         | ASA MICROFINANCE     |
|  | BASIIMA ADRIANE           | VISION FUND                  |  | OTIM MOSES GODFREY       | BUKEDEA DLG          |
|  | AGUTI JENNIFER AJIJI      | CIEFD                        |  | SADIA EDITA              | RUTI                 |
|  | KASASSE JULIUS MUYANTI    | MSVANATHA FINANCIAL SERVICES |  | NTURANABO SAM            | CAPIDALTEX           |
|  | SEMAKULA ROBERT           | PREMIER CREDIT               |  | CHARLES ISINGOMA         | HOFOKAM              |
|  | GODFREY BWAMBALE          | KASESE MC                    |  | FABIANA KASI             | CENTENARY BANK       |
|  | MBAGUTA LIBERTO TUHIRIRWE | NICUBILLE INNOVATE           |  | CISSY ZIZINGA            | MCDT SACCO           |
|  | KANYANGOGA BAKER          | MOFPED                       |  | KARUNGI MONICA           | RDC KYELEGWA         |

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|  | BABRA SIINA                      | CENTENARY             |  | DR. HARRIET KYOMUGISHA | HARMONEY FINANCIAL        |
|  | SUMAIA NAMIYINGO                 | MUBS                  |  | ANDY NORMAN            | MOFPED                    |
|  | LEMPACHO EUNICE OYEK             | PAKWACH DLG           |  | KIWEBWAYO JERUSALEM    | TAUISA INSTUTITE OF EA    |
|  | HON. NYERO FRANCIS ELTON LAKELLE | GULU                  |  | KASULE ROGERS          | KYOLINA KYEKIKWEYIMIRIRA  |
|  | NKWASIBWE DICKENS                | EMYOOGA ENTEBBE       |  | SSEKAMATTE YUSUF       | ZEBRA METAL WORKSHOP      |
|  | NAMUJJUZI AGNES                  | BUKOMANSIMBI DLG      |  | MBALUBULHA GODFREY     | BUNDIBUGYO DLG            |
|  | MAGEZI JAMES                     | LIFT FUND LTD         |  | JAMES MUHWEZI          | MSC                       |
|  | DAVID BALINDA                    | MEDIA LINK            |  | BAGUMA MISHARCH ESAU   | ISINGIRO                  |
|  | ESTHER OLIVIA NAMPIIMA           | STREET FINANCE        |  | MBABAZI CATHERINE      | KYAMBOGO UNIVERSITY       |
|  | ODUR JACOB                       | LORO OYAM SACCO       |  | RWIRA TITUS FRED       | CARE INTERNATIONAL UGANDA |
|  | NELSON MUTATIINE                 | UMRA                  |  | SSERUNKUMA BRUNO       | NAZIGO SACCO              |
|  | DR GEOFREY NKUUTU                | MUBS                  |  | NAMUYANJA ZANA         | LUNDA SACCO               |
|  | KARUNGI PROSCOVIA                | KAMPALA YOUTH EMYOOGA |  | FAITH APIO             | FLOW UG                   |
|  | MAUREEN CHEBOR                   | EASSI                 |  | FRANCIS SSEMWANGA      | CIC INSURANCE             |
|  | JOHN LUYENZI                     | EXPERIAN              |  | NAMYALO JOSEPHINE      | LUBAGA NORTH SACCO        |
|  | BAGUMA PETER                     | KADO DLG              |  | NAMARA DOROTHY MUBS    | MUBS                      |
|  | KYALIGONZA ALOYSIOUS             | MOFPED                |  | RICHARD NDYANABO       | MOFPED                    |
|  | NTEGYERIZE ARON                  | MWIZI SACCO           |  | MUBANGIZI DEO          | HAKASHENYI SACCO          |
|  | DR SYLIVESTER NDIRURAMUKAMA      | UCSLU                 |  | MUKISA DEO             | WAKISO DLG                |
|  | BESIGARUKUNDO VIOLA              | AMFIU                 |  | COL. RONALD RUBAALE    | MOFPED                    |
|  | SARAH APORO                      | MUBS                  |  | SENTUMBWE DANIEL       | CBS PEWOSA SACCO          |
|  | WAMBUZI RONALD                   | BUYENDE DLG           |  | LYAN LYDIA AGUDO       | AMFIU                     |
|  | MARTHA NDORA                     | DEMIS CONSULTS        |  | AULO EMMA              | MOFPED                    |
|  | ARYANYIJUKA EZRA                 | NTUNGAMO DLG          |  | ANNET NAMUGANGU        | BUTALEJA DLG              |
|  | KASHUNGYERA LANCE                | PROFIRA               |  | MUGUME JOSEPH          | EBO                       |

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|  | ANNET BUKENYA           | MUBS                |  | BIRUNGI GIDEON      | KIHANGA MPARO SACCO       |
|  | THOMAYA SAMUEL          | NEBBI MC            |  | ALICE MATAMA        | UGAFODE                   |
|  | JIMMY OJERA             | UECCC               |  | MUBANGIZI FRANCISCO | MUBUGA SACCO              |
|  | NINSIIMA PATIENCE       | MUBS                |  | KISEKULO MATHIAS    | KYOTERA SACCO             |
|  | NGOBYA BAAC             | MUBS                |  | FIONA LWEWATE       | UNCDF                     |
|  | NJEGO MUHINDA           | CBS PEWOSA SACCO    |  | PROF MOSES MUHWEZI  | MUBS                      |
|  | NUWAGABA ISIAH          | KARIBU MICROFINANCE |  | JOAN OUNA           | EXPERIAN                  |
|  | NABISERE ANGELLA ROSE   | MOFPED              |  | NAMUWENG RITAH      | MOFIPD                    |
|  | CATHY ADENOLO           | MOFPED              |  | DAVID MUGANDE       | PROFUMB                   |
|  | NANKUNDA SCOVIA BUROSHO | KIRUHURA DLG        |  | NABIRYE LYDIA       |                           |
|  | LEONARD OKELLO          | UHURU INSTITUTE     |  | MUKURASI JULIUS     | ACROSS INTER MICROFINANCE |
|  | EDIGOLD MONDAY          | DSIK                |  | MARTIN LUZZE        | METROPOL UGANDA           |
|  | JUMA TEKIO              | MUBS                |  | MAYANJA ROGERS      | METROPOL UGANDA LIMITED   |
|  | NUWASIIMA WENESEROU     | ULUGA               |  | PEREGRINE MATIA     | MOFPED                    |
|  | NALUKENYE IRENE         | MUBS                |  | GERARD UCHOMGIN     | MOFPED                    |
|  | NAKAZZI MARIA JULIANA   | MPIGI DLG           |  | NORAH MAKUMBI       | QUALITYCARE FINANCE LTD   |
|  | ALLAN TENDO             | MOFPED              |  | AINEBYOONA IAN      | UWESO                     |
|  | KISUYI RAHIM            | MOFPED              |  | GRACE BASHAHE       | HFB                       |
|  | THOMAS KWIZERA          | INVESTORS           |  | MUTESASIRA ISAIAH   | LUZIRA ALLIANCE SACCO     |
|  | ISAAC WERE              | ZIMBA TECHNOLOGIES  |  | MABALA MOSES        | WAKISO DLG                |
|  | KAZIBWE RONALD          | MPIGI DLG           |  | TURYAMUREEBA WINNIE | MOTIC                     |
|  | FAITH BABIRYE           | MUBS                |  | KWIRINGIRA AMOS     | IRYARURUMBA SACCO         |
|  | KENGONZI CHRISTINE      | KABAROLE DLG        |  | JOE NAM             | IPi                       |
|  | GALIWANGO JAMES         | MOFPED              |  | SAYFUL ISLAM        | UMOJA MFI                 |
|  | MUGISA JARED            | KRC UGANDA          |  | ZAHARAH LUGEMWA     | MUBS                      |
|  | OLEMWA ROBERT           | ROLEM MICROFINANCE  |  | LHAGHABWE WILSON    | KASESE MC                 |
|  | ODIDA JULIUS            | MUBS                |  | TUMUSHABE HOPE      | OPPORTUNITY BANK          |

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|  | IDERE MADRINE              | MUBS                   |  | EDITH BATUUKA            | OPPORTUNITY BANK       |
|  | TURYASINAURA JOANNE        | MUBS                   |  | JUDITH NAKYAZZE MUZIBIRA | JUZTA MICRO CREDIT     |
|  | MWESIGWA JOTHAM            | ULGA                   |  | COLLINS BANDERA          | MUBS                   |
|  | MUGENI BARBRA              | VITALEND SMC           |  | AGABA NELSON             | RUKIGA DLG             |
|  | VICKY RUTH MALONGO         | MOFPED                 |  | MICHEAL S MBOOWA         | CBS PEWOOSA UG         |
|  | SARAH ITUNGU MASEREKA      | KASESE – KAMPALA SACCO |  | RUGONDA GLORIA           | UMRA                   |
|  | EVA MPAATA                 | MUBS                   |  | CHARLOTTE NATUMANYA      | MOFPED                 |
|  | NAMUYANJA DOROTHY KALEMERA | ENTEBBE MC             |  | BBOSA HALIMAH            | WAKISO SELF HELP SACCO |