



Latham & Watkins and the Dubai Microfinance Club invite you to attend a discussion on microfinance in the Middle East.

Discussion Topics:

- How do microfinance institutions set their pricing to the poor?
- What is the learning from the recent crisis in India?
- How is the microfinance industry tracking its impact on the poor?
- What is the microfinance industry doing to prevent client over-indebtedness?

Speakers:

- Chuck Waterfield, *CEO & President*, MFTransparency
- Microfinance practitioners from Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Syria and Mozambique

Moderator

- Kai Schneider, Partner, Latham & Watkins LLP

Wednesday, 15 June 2011

Registration and Refreshments: 17:00 – 17:30

Presentation and Roundtable Discussion: 17:30 – 19:00

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Conference Centre
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Dubai, UAE

Registration

To register for the event or for questions, please contact [Kathryn Tschumper](mailto:kathryn.tschumper@lw.com) at +971.4.704.6357.

MFTransparency

MFTransparency was established to promote the welfare of poor micro-entrepreneurs, and to promote the integrity of microfinance as a poverty alleviation practice. Our industry continues to grow into one that is dynamic and far-reaching. It is applied all over the world in many creative forms, and with the

participation of many types of stakeholders. Microfinance has long been highly transparent in some areas, but due to complications of market conditions and lack of regulation, the true price of our loan products has never been accurately measured or reported. For this reason MFTransparency believes there is a need to present information on credit products and their prices in a clear and consistent fashion. And at the same time, MFTransparency sees an opportunity to provide education on the considerations microfinance Institutions (MFIs) face regarding interest rates and product pricing. Since MFTransparency's launch in July 2008, 795 industry leaders, including MFIs and Apex Banks currently serving 60 million clients worldwide, have signed the endorser statement. www.mftransparency.org

About the Dubai Microfinance Club

The Dubai Microfinance Club was formed in March 2008 by institutional members active in the microfinance sector and it was opened to individual members in 2011. The purpose of the Club is to raise awareness locally and to share information about the microfinance industry. Membership is open to both organizations and individuals interested in advancing the microfinance sector. To join the Dubai Microfinance Club and be notified about upcoming events, please email Heather Henyon, Chair, at hhenyon@balthazarcapital.com.

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