Pioneer Facility
Closing the Pioneer Gap for sustainable energy, clean water and sanitation social enterprises
Agenda

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Why Nexus?

• 1.3 billion people don’t have access to electricity and over 1 billion people lack access to any type of improved drinking source of water.

• Development organizations and social enterprises have experience in projects that provide:
  • Relevant local expertise and knowledge
  • Clean energy / safe water ideas and solutions
  • Long-term opportunities for local producers and distributors

• But… they often lack capacity and/or finance
Nexus mission

• Nexus provides the expertise and resources to support and scale up sustainable development projects.
• Cooperative of 23 members:
  • Development organisations and social enterprises
  • Accessing services: technical assistance, financial facilities, strategic partnerships, research and advocacy
  • Sharing knowledge and costs
Key Successes

• 16 low-carbon development projects supported
• Over 650,000 carbon credits issued for a value of over USD 3.8 million;
• Management of two debt facilities
• Multiple research works and knowledge sharing events in South East Asia
Why a Pioneer Facility?
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Bridging the Pioneer Gap

• Social entrepreneurs are pioneers!

• Financing gap remains the main obstacle to grow

• We aim at bridging the “pioneer gap”.

• How…………..
  – Affordable, medium size loans to these social entrepreneurs
  – Focus on household energy and waste to energy technologies for organizations in SE Asia
Focus on the growth phase

- Not seed capital
- Can be used for capex and opex

Why a Pioneer Facility
Building on Nexus’ expertise

• Fund management

• Project sourcing

• Project monitoring

• People
3 key objectives

• Facilitate the growth of at least 20 sustainable energy, clean water and sanitation social enterprises through the provision of affordable debt finance;

• Identify and reward poverty alleviation and climate change mitigation best practices;

• Demonstrate the financial feasibility of investing in growth stage sustainable energy, clean water and sanitation enterprises