

**Article Link**

<http://kristof.blogs.nytimes.com/2009/12/28/the-role-of-microfinance/>

## **IPA Researchers discuss the role of microfinance, in their own words**

Does the aid world exaggerate the benefits of microloans? How much do they help? Nicholas Kristof presents a "thoughtful, evidence-based analysis" by IPA Research Affiliates Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo, and Dean Karlan.

December 28, 2009