**Expression of Interest 2016**

Financial Services for the Poor Initiative

Financial Inclusion Program | Innovations for Poverty Action

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| **Title**  Indicate title of proposed study | **Country**  or countries |
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| **Project Snapshot**  In no more than 50 words describe what you are proposing to do. |
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**PROPOSAL**

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| **Motivation (max. 150 words)**  Briefly describe the context and the problem that your proposed study aims to address. Please reference any key relevant literature. |
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| **Product / Intervention (max. 150 words)**  Provide detailed information on the product(s), intervention(s), or issue(s) you would like to study. Do not discuss the study design here. |
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| **Pilot (max. 200 words)** | |
| **Has a pilot of the intervention(s) been conducted?**  Below provide information from **ongoing or completed pilot(s)**, including data on uptake, usage, information in support of program feasibility, and on risks to the successful and timely roll-out of the program at scale. If a pilot has not been conducted, provide information on the timeline for any future piloting or why it might not be necessary. | Yes  No |
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| **Core Hypotheses / Research Questions (max. 100 words)**  List the key research questions that you propose to study. Clearly state your hypotheses. |
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| **Target Population (max. 75 words)**  Briefly describe the study’s location and population targeted. |
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| **Study Design (max. 300 words)**  Describe the study design; outline the chosen randomization strategy. |
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| **Research Implementation Plan and Timeline (max. 300 words)**  Describe your measurement, data collection and data analysis plan. Provide information on how the intervention(s) will be rolled out and implemented as part of the randomized evaluation. Please include a timeline indicating expected dates for key project milestones. |
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| **Policy Implications (max. 75 words)**  Explain the expected policy relevance of the study’s results. |
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| **Project Budget** Provide a tentative budget for the study. | |
| **Total Project Budget (estimate)**  \* include activities that have been implemented or will be funded by other donors | USD |
| **Funding Requested from the Financial Inclusion Program**  \* if the project does not have other donors/funding sources, enter the total budget proposed | USD |
| **If funding was secured from other sources, please list all donors and amounts:** | |

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| **Project Timeline** Please provide a tentative start and end date for the study. | |
| **Is this project ongoing?**  Has the intervention implementation or data collection begun? | Yes  No |
| **Tentative Project Start Date** (DD / MM / YYYY)  Studies should have a fieldwork start date no later than **June 2017** (see guidelines for more information) |  |
| **Tentative Project End Date** (DD / MM / YYYY) |  |

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