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A New Collaboration at IFC to Enhance Access to Financial Services for Small Businesses

"IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, launched the SME Finance Forum [on April 19, 2012], a G-20 initiative designed to improve access to financial resources for small and medium enterprises and catalyze effective SME-financing tools...The forum is a knowledge-sharing platform for data, research, and experiences for small and medium enterprises (SMEs). Access to finance remains one of the most significant challenges for the survival and advancement of small enterprises, which are important drivers of economic growth in developing countries. The forum will promote tools and approaches tailored to policy makers and funders of the SME industry to share knowledge and build networks to improve good practices." To visit the online platform, click [here](#).

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