



CAPABLE PARTNERS PROGRAM (CAP)

World Bank Invites USAID to Promote Local Innovation

Missions may benefit by involvement, support of Development Marketplace winners

Through a unique collaboration among the World Bank, USAID's Capable Partners Program (CAP) and the Bank's Development Marketplace (DM), missions have the opportunity to make a big difference with a small investment of time and/or resources.

If there is a good fit with mission objectives, USAID staff may serve as jurors to assist in selecting and getting to know the most promising local organizations. So far, USAID has collaborated with the Bank on nine (9) Development Marketplaces.

By identifying extraordinary local projects and partners, DM also provides an ideal opportunity for missions to invest in sustainability for those aligned with their strategic objectives. For any mission interested in considering funding targeted assistance to the most promising DM winners, CAP offers a fast and easy way.

CAP is a Leader with Associates Cooperative Agreement between USAID/DCHA/PVC-ASHA and the Academy for Educational Development and its main partner, Management Systems International, and 14 Resource Organizations with specialized skills. Social Impact (SI) is the designated organization on the CAP team to support capacity building and sustainability for DM participants due to its global work with USAID local partners and its in-depth experience with the World Bank and DM.

In 2005, SI enhanced the capacity building skills of more than one hundred Global Marketplace finalists in areas including organizational assessment, resource mobilization, strategic planning and results-based monitoring and evaluation. The model of combining innovation and capacity building also holds great promise for the Country Marketplace finalists during 2006.

There are 5 simple steps for a USAID mission to access CAP's expertise:

1. Contact CAP CTO Adele Liskov (aliskov@usaid.gov) to discuss your possible interest in funding as Associate Award under CAP.
2. Receive email approval ("concurrence") for initiating the CAP process with AED.
3. AED's Chief of Party, Barney Singer, (bsinger@aed.org) along with a representative from Social Impact will contact you to conceptualize a rapid needs assessment for the Country Marketplace or targeted organization(s) and to draft a proposed program description with goals, objectives and time line.
4. AED will propose personnel and a budget for consideration.
5. A grant or cooperative agreement is negotiated and executed.

For more information about CAP programs, visit www.NGOConnect.NET. For information about this collaboration, please contact Chris Carver (ccarver@socialimpact.com) or CAP staff via email at NGOConnect@aed.org.



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