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Dear ANDE Colleagues and Friends,

Welcome to the July edition of the ANDE Newsletter. In this edition, you will learn about:

- First Capacity Development Fund RFP
- Global Innovation Fund Roundtable
- DC Young Professional Social Impact Happy Hour – August 4th
- Opportunity Collaboration Conference (Ixtapa, Mexico)
- Global Entrepreneurship Week 2009
- BiD Network's SME Investor Forum (Mexico City, Mexico)
- Beyond Profit Magazine

Happy reading!



Randall Kempner
Executive Director

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ANDE Activities

First Capacity Development Fund RFP

Funded with generous grants from the Lemelson Foundation, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the Shell Foundation, and open only to ANDE members, this \$1M Fund serves to fuel initiatives aimed at inter-organizational collaboration and capacity building. The goal of the CDF is to increase the productivity and effectiveness of ANDE members, while creating tools and insights that can help the SGB sector as a whole. The deadline for the first round of funding was July 10th and ANDE is happy to report that we received 28 proposals requesting a combined total of \$3.5M to fund collaboration, innovation, and capacity-building projects. The Selection Committee is meeting in late July to determine the first grantees and decisions will be announced in August!

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Global Innovation Fund Roundtable

July 22, 2009

On Wednesday, July 22, 2009, the Aspen Network of Development Entrepreneurs and the Calvert Foundation welcomed leading voices in entrepreneurship to a roundtable about a potential U.S. government supported Global Innovation Fund. Spurred by President Obama's focus on entrepreneurship in his Cairo speech, this was an initial meeting to discuss concepts for government support for small and growing businesses in emerging markets.

Representatives from the U.S. Government, including the Global Partnership Initiative-U.S. Department of State, OPIC, MCC, USAID, White House Office of Social Innovation, and Treasury Department, attended the discussion.

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DC Young Professional Social Impact Happy Hour

Tuesday, August 4th, 5:30-8pm

Science Club – 1136 19th St NW (Dupont Circle South)

The Aspen Network of Development Entrepreneurs, Agora Partnerships, and Razoo bring you a networking happy hour for young professionals in the social impact sector. Come have a few drinks and learn about your peers in an informal setting. *The first twenty to arrive will receive a free drink ticket!* Forward widely!

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Sector Opportunities

Opportunity Collaboration Conference

October 2009

The [Opportunity Collaboration](#) is a four-day networking and problem solving conference commencing on World Poverty Day (October 17, 2009) in Ixtapa, Mexico. Organized by Jonathan Lewis, CEO of MicroCredit Enterprises, the conference will be a working networking event and business meeting focused on poverty reduction, with neither panels nor plenary speeches.

ANDE has agreed to be a co-convener, along with Ashoka, Calvert Foundation, Global Philanthropy Forum, Social Venture Network, Stanford Social Innovation Review (Stanford Center for Social Innovation), Women Donors Network, and Worldways Social Marketing.

ANDE members are automatically approved for participation and will receive a \$1000 discount on event fees. Additionally, there are a limited number of special priority registrations available at <http://greaterthanconference.com/email/emailPRIORITY.html>. If you have any questions, be in touch directly with Jonathan Lewis jlewis@mcenterprises.org.

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Global Entrepreneurship Week

November 2009

Global Entrepreneurship Week is a worldwide campaign to inspire youth around the world to start something different. To challenge themselves. To think big. While there's no shortage of challenges facing the world, there's also no shortage of ideas to fix these challenges. The task is encouraging minds to unleash these ideas. That's where the Week steps in.

Schools, businesses, community organizations and individual volunteers around the world help organize events during the Week—November 16-22—that encourage youth to think with an innovative and entrepreneurial mindset. Last year's Week involved over 25,000 events, hosted by 8,892 Partners, and attended by more than 3 million people. These events ranged from local competitions, to a sunrise networking session in Giselle, New Zealand, to a Mentoring Madness event at the New York Stock Exchange—all of which were connected through our Web site.

By getting involved in Global Entrepreneurship Week you can tap into this network of innovators, gaining opportunities and resources to help you grow your endeavors. On a smaller scale, the Week offers a chance to connect with others in your community who care about entrepreneurship, to build relationships that continue long after the Week has ended. Most importantly, the Week offers an opportunity to give back—to mentor and inspire the next generation of entrepreneurial leaders.

For more information about Global Entrepreneurship Week visit www.unleashingideas.org or contact Brenden Chaney at bmchaney@unleashingideas.org.

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SME Investor Forum

The BiD Network is organizing a SME Investor Forum Latin



America in Q4 2009 or Q1 2010 at the J.W. Marriot Hotel in Mexico City. The forum brings together 150 investors, fund managers, and investor networks from in and outside Latin America to share expertise, contacts, and deals. Themes covered will include: new investment models, syndication, exit strategies, and cross border investment. The forum is part of a larger conference on entrepreneurship organized by FundacionE and the Mexican Government.

For more information, sponsor options, or to receive an official invitation please contact leontien.peeters@bidnetwork.org.

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Think Beyond Profit

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