

ANNUAL LOCAL CAPITAL PROVIDER SURVEY 2022

Small Business “Missing Middle” Finance in Africa and the Middle East

Why do these fund managers matter?

Real Economy Finance



Invest in SGBs that are core to local economies' product and service requirements, often meeting underserved market demand.

Societal impact

Invest in SGBs that have “inclusive” focus, creating employment and moving businesses into the formal economy. All funds addressing at least 3 SDGs and 80% considering gender.



First stage of access to finance

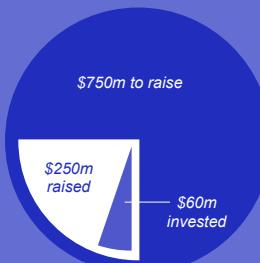
Typical investments \$50k – \$1 million range, and usually first formal of external financing for SGBs.

Local economic impact



Invest growth capital, creating jobs in over 90% of businesses financed thus far.

2/3 fund managers reporting >10% revenue growth in the last 12 months.



Collective scale ~\$1bn

~\$1bn target AUM¹ represented with a potential 1200 SGBs financed. \$750m investment opportunity.

¹ In CFF estimation this sample represents about 1/4 of the current number of similar fund managers in the SSA and MENA market which roughly translates into a potential market size closer to \$4bn.

What do these fund managers invest in?



focus primarily on Agribusiness (value chain/tech not farming)

75% using technology to enable business growth regardless of business model

~10% investing in pure tech businesses (in small print)

>95% invested in “early” or “growth”

stage businesses demonstrating market traction, as opposed to the start-up/pre-revenue business models.

Top 3 SDGs are **decent work, gender equality** and **no poverty**

80% make major capital investments.

90% provide at least some working capital.



of investments have an expected tenor of >4 years

Terms not available in local lending market

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Who are these fund managers?

Fund managers are investment intermediaries investing between USD20k and USD2m into SGBs, using diverse investment theses, tools and instruments and having deep local knowledge.

90%

of the funds are led by executives with prior experience and strong local knowledge of their markets.

~80%

have made direct investments.

Over 90%
of fund teams are

operating and investing in Africa

75%

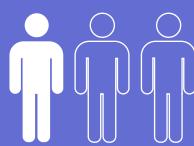
are deploying ticket sizes

<\$500k

60% using self-liquidating instruments and the remainder investing in equity

50%

are majority female-owned and led funds.



1 in 3

made first close

80% are investing

whether they reached first close or not.

60%

using open ended structures allowing for building of track record

40%

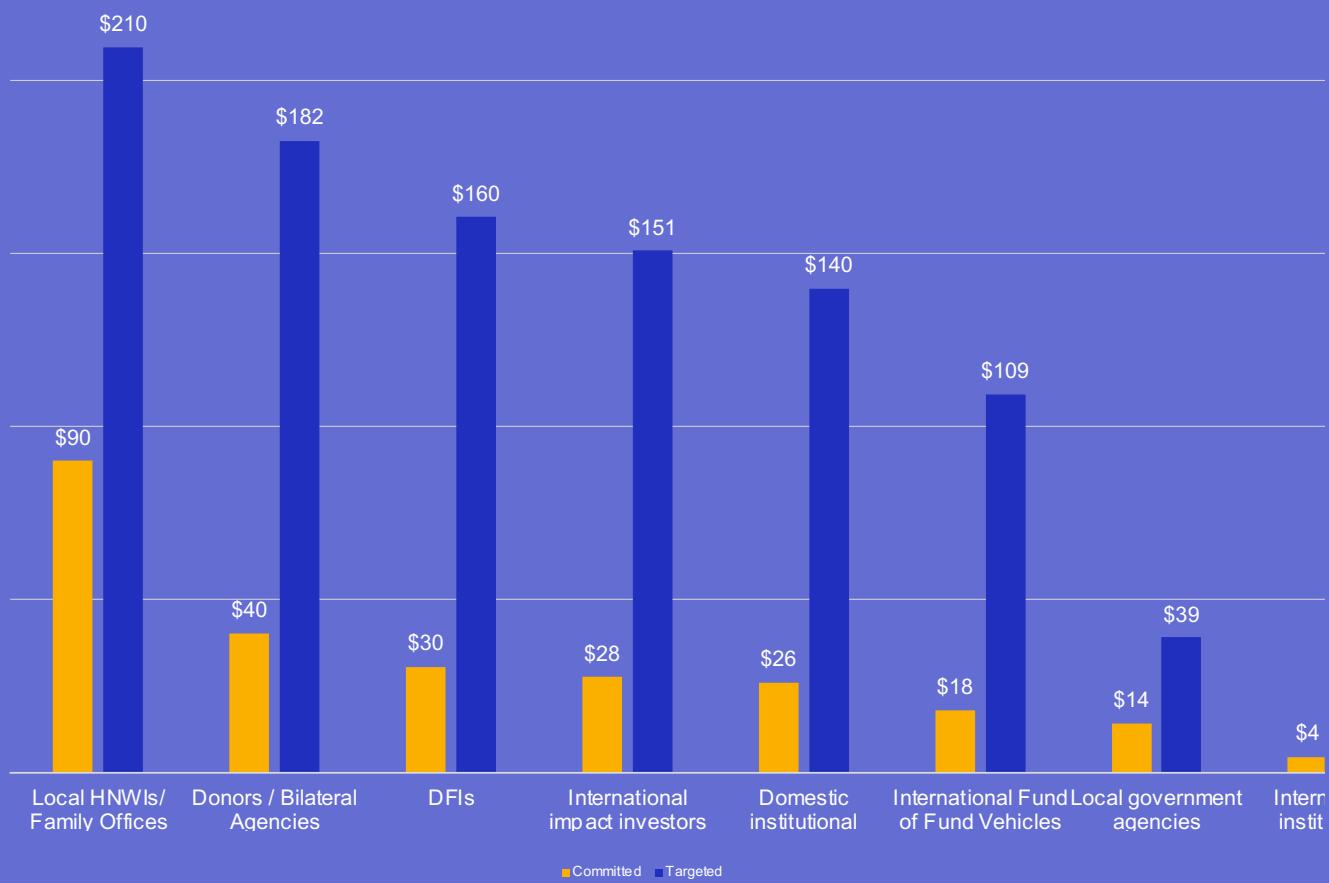
Are closed ended structures

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Who is investing in these fund managers?

Committed and targeted investment sources \$(m)



50%

50% of capital expected
from HNWI And Family Offices

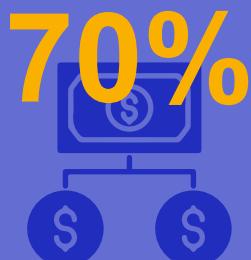


15%

15% of capital expected
from DFIs has been raised.



Two thirds using
**concessionary
capital**
for fund or SGB support.



are using **fee structures** outside
of traditional 2&20 fee models.

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How do these fund managers create value?

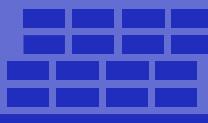
Fund managers are seeking to achieve commercially viable investment proposition for LP investors in n SGBs.



Pipeline conveyor belt

Investments sourced predominantly through fund managers' own network

Grow SGBs



60% invest growth capital for intangibles.
80% make major capital investments. 90% provide at least some working capital.

Provide technical assistance



95% provide financial management support to businesses. 2/3 consider strategic planning and sales/marketing the highest priority areas de-risking for LPs.

Monetising portfolio



Equity exits are a challenge

~10% of equity funds have been investing for over 5 years.

Funds are monetising through self-liquidating instruments

~75% of debt funds have monetized investments in current portfolio.

Manage risk



Local currency risk and international financial market turbulence are the biggest concerns in the coming 12 months.

Major risks and constraints confronting fund managers

Lack of access to DFI and institutional capital (international and domestic).

Major capital holders applying investment criteria more associated with VC and larger PE firms.

Imbedded currency risk when accessing international funds.

Smaller fund vehicles, challenging fund economics in the early phase of their operations. Limits access to critical human talent in managing their funds.

Working with smaller enterprises, inherently taking on higher risk than established corporates.