

Helping build the emerging market FinTech ecosystem

# Developed vs. emerging market infrstructure

**Finance tools** Classic finance "stack" **E-Commerce** 

**Payments** 

Credit











Our portfolio









PFM shifts to a focus on risk management and precautionary savings

E-commerce shifts focus to online-to-offline buying and last mile logistics

Credit shifts to a focus on generating data on informal economies and new users

Payments shift to a focus on mobile money channels and the informal



# DFS Lab was started in 2016 and has evolved quickly with measurable initial success

We spent 2 years tailoring our thesis and process with core partners

We have helped build companies that are starting to or have reached scale









1.8X

Pro-forma \( \) capital return



### Sourcing the best, anywhere

We believe founder talent will be diverse and mostly local. We find the best entrepreneurs, wherever they are.

- 10 in-country venture liaisons and a global network of 300+ experts
- Unique in-person due diligence process that spans a full week

#### De-risking global scale-up

Our teams validate product-market fit locally, but always have a global vision. We support early expansion.

- Unmatched set of global and local fintech mentors & partners
- Day-to-day guidance from DFS Lab entrepreneurs-in-residence

## Making exits happen

We believe in building acquirable startups. Our teams align exit strategies with growth.

- Network of the big global platforms and their M&A teams
- Close relationships with the main follow-on investors

# Our extended team of digital finance veterans have helped build the emerging market fintech sector as founders and investors since the early days

#### **Anchor partners**



**NYCA Partners** A world leader in fintech investing with a cadre of superstar advisors; Led by former president of Visa



**Caribou Digital** A world leader in digital development. Creating equitable digital economies.



**Nick Hughes** Founder of M-PFSA and M-Kopa



**Phil Libin** CEO All-Turtles Former CEO Evernote

#### **Core Team**



Jake Kendall Director Gates, World Bank Gates, IP & Tech



Stephen Deng Investment Officer Consulting



Dan Kleinbaum Accelerator Manager Founder Bevonic

## **Advisors**

A sampling of those we work with closely



**Sheel Mohnot** Partner, 500 Startups Founder Innovative Auctions



Laurence Aderemi Xapo Europe Head; Founder Moni; FB Payments



Ben Lvon Senior Advisor **CEO Hover** 



**Jamie Radice Public Relations** VP Comms, Shift



Alina Kaiser Comms Manager Comms, Caribou Digital



**Anna Gincherman** Head of Product Women's World Banking

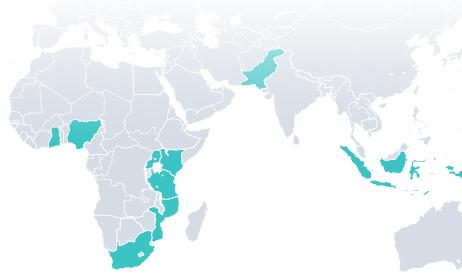


**Matt Flannery** CEO Branch Founder Kiva

# Our DFS Lab Liaisons are a global network of local actors that differentiate us from purely local or purely global investors

Balancing the benefits of global scope with the need for deep local connections, the DFS Lab team includes our locally based Liaisons who help source and support talented companies in their local market.

- **Deep connections** in FinTech and financial services the space to source and support teams
- **Liaisons see local deal flow** before its on the radar of global investors
- Often DFS Lab alumni who can recommend the **DFS Lab** program from personal experience
- Participate in the carry on deals from their territory





**Paul Damalie** CEO Inclusive, Ghana FinTech Association



Kampala, Uganda Nairobi, Kenya



**Luke Kyohere** CEO Beyonic, Inc.





Hilda Moraa CEO Pezesha



Dar es Salaam, TZ



Benji Fernandez Prince CEO Nala



Nairobi, Kenya



**Boampong** CEO BiaX and

**OMG** Media





Anda Ngcaba Ngcaba Family Office



Maputo, Moz



**Jess Osborn** Senior Manager Caribou Digital





**Owais Zaidi** CEO CreditFix & Fintech Factory





**Eka Pamitra** CEO TaniFund

#### 250+ Advisors & Mentors

We've built hands-on program powered by a unique global mentor network of seasoned fintech founders, investors, and experts spanning from emerging markets to Silicon Valley.



**Nick Hughes** Founder, M-PESA & M-KOPA



**Matt Flannery** CEO Branch & Kiva



**Bertram Desouza** Head of Digital, Kotak Bank



Jacki 'O Neill Scientist, Microsoft Research



**Erwan Gelebart** Head of Digital, Orange Madagascar



**Ginger Baker** Mobile Finance Lead, Facebook



**Bob Aman** Head of Security, Remitly



**David Sica** Partner, NYCA



CEO, BKash



Kamal Quadir Pelumi Aboluwarin Kabir Kumar Founder

Kudi.ai (YC W17)



Head of Ecosystem Omidyar Network



**Dennis Ondeng** CTO, Коро Коро

# Our portfolio

## **Current Cohort**













Pension and life insurance for the underserved

East Africa's first digital bank

Payment and Merchant API for Francophone Africa

B2B marketplace eliminating supply chain inefficiencies E-commerce agricultural buyer in Indonesia

Digitizing informal, women savings groups

## Cohorts 1 & 2



Universal ID verification via single RESTful API



Ag insurance using satellite technologies



Embed mobile money into Android apps



Chatbot-as-a-service for banks



Peer-to-peer lending for SMEs



Free and fast remittances



Credit to PAYGO solar



Formalizing domestic workers

Loans to income-generating assets



# When the world is interoperable, what will the Fintech ecosystem build?

Event: April 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> in Dar Es Salaam

Know interested folks? Dfslab.net/apply

# mojaloop Hackathon



JUMO partners with forwardthinking businesses such as banks and mobile networks to reach these customers, operating inclusive marketplaces for digital financial services.



There are billions of people in the world who are creditworthy. Juvo makes it easy for mobile operators to find them.



# mojaloop Hackathon



Deploying mobile-based solutions for businesses globally.



What does access to finance and credit businesses can be built?

# Thank

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