

Women's Financial Inclusion Community of Practice



Steering Committee Overview

What is a Steering Committee

The steering committee for our Community of Practice (COP) are referred to as our champions! Champions are representative of the membership base of the community of practice and anyone with the requisite expertise and time commitment is eligible to become a champion.

As laid out in our [charter](#), the responsibilities of steering committee members are:

- Maintain the charter to ensure a valid purpose for the COP is articulated
- Develop the strategy and overarching work plan for the COP, including working groups
- Set clear requirements for and implementation of monitoring and evaluation of the COP's impact and effectiveness
- Stimulate interest in and contributions to the CoP
- Communicate the contributions of the CoP to their respective organization

Why Become a Champion?

COP champions are motivated by a number of factors. Many of them work on frontier issues and seek to actively shape the field, others aim to bring their experience to bear in ensuring that lessons from previous and current work programs are shared with and built upon by the wider community.

A sample of one champion's (Shelley Spencer's) motivation to play an active role in the COP can be found in her blog post, [A room of our own](#).

Our Champions

Thea Anderson, Mercy Corps
Yasmin Bin-Humam (co-facilitator), CGAP
Deena Burjorjee (co-facilitator), CGAP Consultant
Neli Esipova, Gallup
Lauren Hendricks, Grameen Foundation
Amy Jerrett, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
Deepika Malik, Cherie Blair Foundation
Angelika Mendes-Lowney, Women's World Banking
Lisabeth Meyers, Banyan Global
Inez Murray, Global Banking Alliance for Women
Robin Newnham, Alliance for Financial Inclusion
Beth Porter, UNCDF
Stephen Pirozzi, World Bank Group
Johanna Ryan, Vision Fund International
Claire Sibthorpe, GSMA
Shelley Spencer, Net Hope
Asa Torkellson, UN Women

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