Microfinance
SPEAKER SERIES
WEDNESDAYS OCT. 26 – DEC. 7
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. (excluding Nov.23)

With a combined loan portfolio of more than $65 billion, microfinance institutions are getting more attention from executives interested in strategic corporate responsibility and venture capital initiatives.

The Microfinance Speaker Series at UC Berkeley Center for Executive Education delivers a comprehensive look into microfinance, bridging business and social responsibility. The six-week series explores how microfinance operations have grown to become sustainable finance models serving developing countries. Comprising advice and best practices from successful practitioners and institutions around the world, this series offers an inside look into new technology ventures targeting the industry.

Led by renowned Berkeley faculty and tied to the exciting venture capital environment of the Bay Area, the series is an excellent forum to learn about up-to-the-minute challenges and debates in the world of microfinance.

Sean Foote, Berkeley professor and venture capitalist, frames engaging topic-specific sessions enriched by diverse readings and high-profile speakers.

The course is taught at UC Berkeley and simulcast to universities around the country. The Series will be held in six sessions on Wednesdays from 7pm-9pm, Oct 26 – Dec 7, 2011.

Microfinance Speaker Series
Brought to you by: Emerging Markets Association, Net Impact and the Center for Social Value Creation

Location: VMH 1206
Time: 7:00 – 9:00pm
Cost: FREE!

Register Online: tinyurl.com/SmithMicroFinSeries

Week 1 (Lecture 1, October 26)
Introduction to Microfinance
- Microfinance and the history of informal savings
- The major components of Microfinance’s ecosystem

Guest Speaker: Sam Daley-Harris, Director, Microcredit Summit