

USAID PARTNERS FORUM

Bringing Private Sector Insights and Expertise to Development Financing

The Office of Private Capital and Microenterprise (PCM) catalyzes private sector investments that advance key development priorities. Through the establishment of PCM, USAID is committed to developing a more strategic relationship with private investors – focused at the intersection of where business opportunities and development priorities meet.



To support its mandate, PCM established a group of business leaders and industry

experts from the United States and emerging markets and developing economies, known as the USAID Partners Forum. Members meet quarterly with USAID senior leadership, sharing insights and highlighting emerging opportunities in sectors that are of interest to the private sector and that align with USAID priorities. The partners also help the Agency develop and strengthen relationships with business leaders and investors in key sectors.

Partners Forum members include:

Dale Mathias, Chair Pulara Partners Investments

Runa Alam, Co-Founding Partner and CEO Development Partners International

Tutu Agyare Managing Partner and Chief Investment Officer Nubuke Investments

Tom Barry CEO, Zephyr Management, L.P.

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MOBILIZING PRIVATE CAPITAL TO MAXIMIZE DEVELOPMENT RESULTS

The Office of Private Capital and Microenterprise (PCM) is a new office within the Bureau for Economic Growth, Education and Environment (E3). PCM mobilizes private sector capital and expertise in support of development priorities. PCM engages investors and reduces business risks through: 1) direct transaction support and 2) facilitation of investment partnerships. This approach complements traditional development programming by drawing in private investment that is capable of addressing development needs sustainably and at greater scale.

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"The Partners Forum serves as a sounding board for USAID senior leadership, bringing perspectives that only private investors and industry experts can provide. We identify opportunities in which strategic business interests and key development priorities intersect. The Forum brings to bear investment and best business practices to development problems for the purposes of accelerating and scaling sustainable solutions to economic and other challenges in developing countries."

Dale Mathias, Chair, Partners Forum