



Sustainable Finance Geneva Co-Founders Bios

Cédric Lombard

Title: Founder and General Manager

Company: [Impact Finance Management S.A.](#)

Biography

Cédric Lombard is the co-founder and co-general manager of Impact Finance Management S.A. The company has been created in June 2010 and is managing the Impact Finance Fund in Luxembourg, a fund investing in project with high social, environmental, economic impact at the Base of the Pyramide. Previous to that new venture he has spent 10 years in the microfinance industry. He is the co-founder of two leading microfinance fund managers, BlueOrchard Finance S.A. where he worked as head of investments and operations and Symbiotics S.A. Information Consulting and Services, where he was responsible for credit research, analysis and pipeline elaboration. He has visited and analysed over 300 microfinance institutions in 44 developing countries Prior to that he worked as project consultant for the Virtual Microfinance Market at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); as a freelance microfinance consultant in Peru and Bolivia; and as a micro- and small enterprise consultant for Genilem in Switzerland. Cédric Lombard holds a Master in International Relations from the Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva.

Areas of Expertise

Impact investing; impact reporting; microfinance; distribution at the Base of the Pyramid; investments in value chains; investments in emerging countries.

Why is SFG important to you and/or why does sustainable finance in Geneva matter to you ?

Social, environmental, economic and corporate impact should be at the center of financial preoccupations. The financial sector has to claim its role of catalyst of the tomorrow's world and impact is a dimension to investment as important as profitability and risk. Being one of the major wealth management place, the Geneva financial community has to promote a responsible, sustainable and impact-driven finance.