



# We have launched an innovative new financing solution: The Social Success Note!



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day, the world's first Social Success Note or "SSN" is launched at the Skoll World Forum by Yunus Social usiness, The Rockefeller Foundation, UBS Optimus Foundation and Impact Water. Similar to Social Impac onds, the SSN is a new financial innovation that harnesses the power of private return-seeking capital to upport businesses that achieve social outcomes.

s estimated that an extra \$2.5 trillion of funding will be needed each year in order to achieve the 2030 Istainable Development Agenda. In order to bridge such a gap it is vital that the development communit oks to the financial industries for innovative solutions.

e Social Success Note blends funds from donor organizations, governments and private debt and equity is intended to be sector agnostic, ultimately seeking to build a larger pool of both investment and utcome funding in order to successfully scale up solutions to the funding gap.

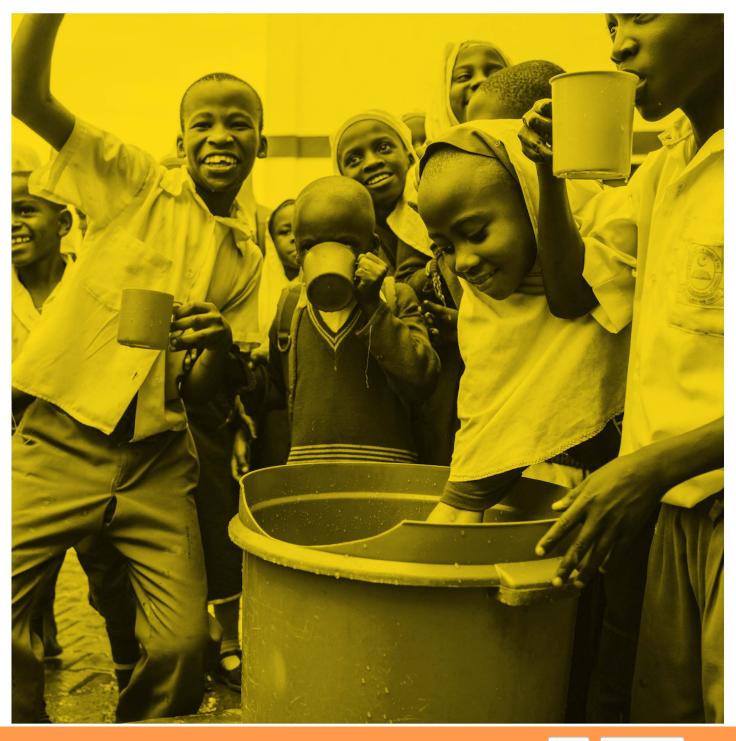
e intervention of the Social Success Note is driven by Impact Water, a social business that sells, installs Ind maintains water filtration systems in

ganda. Impact Water will use investment capital from UBS Optimus Foundation and Outcome Payments om the Rockefeller Foundation to increase the scale of its impact to provide 1.4 million children with clea ater over the next 5 years.

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#### provide over 1.4 million Ogandan school children with access to clean, sare water.



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#### 440 CHILDREN DIE EVERY WEEK DUE TO WATERBORNE DISEASES

Access to clean drinking water is a critical issue in Uganda, as is the case across sub-Saharan Africa.

Unfortunately, schools are often a source of waterborne disease transmission, where adequate supplies of safe drinking water are either non-existent or inadequate. In fact, 40% of diarrheal cases are attributable to transmission in schools rather than homes.



#### THE PROPOSED SOLUTION

Impact Water is a social business that is dedicated to tackling this issue by scaling safe drinking water solutions in developing countries. In Uganda, the social business sells, installs and maintains environmentallyfriendly UV-based water purification systems to schools on low cost, multiyear credit terms. This helps schools to limit waterborne diseases among children (reducing the number of sick days per year), while avoiding burning firewood for boiling water and therefore offsetting CO2 emissions.



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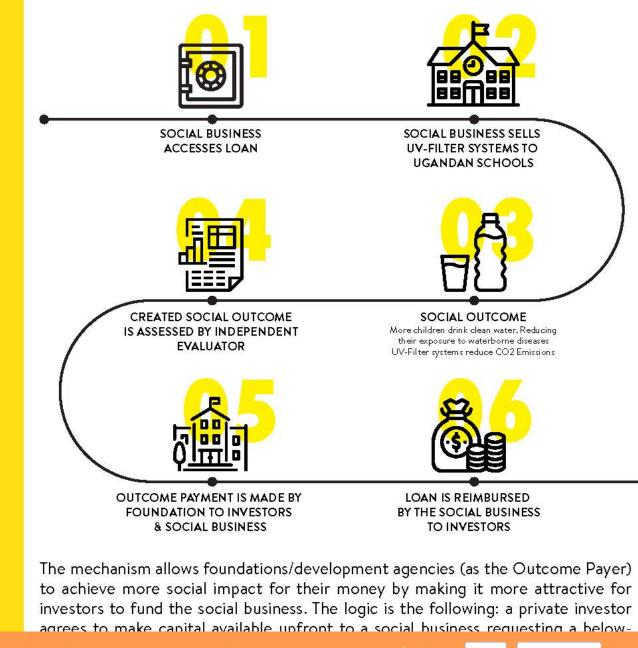
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#### SUCCESS NOTE?

An innovative financing instrument that aims to tackle access to finance by fully aligning the interests of the social business to those of their investors, while harnessing the power of a pay-for-success mechanism.



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In order to allow Impact Water to scale its water purification solutions to as many schools as possible, we are piloting the first transaction of the Social Success Note with them.

For this Social Success Note, the Investor, the UBS Optimus Foundation Network will provide Impact Water, with a \$500,000 working capital loan, so that Impact Water can continue to sell, install and maintain water filtration in Uganda. Rockefeller will then provide an Outcome Payment of \$200,000 split between the Investor (UBS Optimus) and the social business (Impact Water) if targets are met. Yunus Social Business will manage monitoring and evaluation

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**INCENTIVIZING SOCIAL IMPACT.** The SSN structure is described here with a social business model, but is generalizable to incentivize all businesses to achieve greater measurable social impact.

## **KEY** BENEFITS OF THE SSN:

- 1. Sustainability: The loan allows Impact Water to grow more rapidly thanks to accessing low-cost capital thus multiplying their social impact.
- 2. Scalability: It unlocks the potential of return-seeking capital to invest in social impact, capital which traditional NGOs are unable to access.
- 3. Appropriate Capital Structure and Alignment of Incentives: The debt is priced at 5%, with the the UBS Optimus' return increasing to 10% if targets are met. By pricing the loan at a moderate 5% whilst having an upside for the Investor, we ensure that Impact Water stays true to their mission, while allowing UBS Optimus to achieve a reasonable return. The Outcome Payer, Investor and Social Business all benefit when the social impact objective is achieved and the risk is shared.
- 4. Leverage: The Outcome Payer sees their funding significantly leveraged by the Investor. In our pilot, The Rockefeller Foundation sees its \$200,000 Outcome Payment leveraged by the \$500,000 debt investment from UBS Optimus Foundation.

### IMPACT OF INTERVENTION

No. of Children with Access to Safe Water over the next 5 years

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Payments from the Rockefeller Foundation to increase the scale of its impact to provide 1.4 million children with clean water over the next 5 years.

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