Social Impact Assessment (SIA) for Non-governmental Organizations

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Objectives

- ☐ To promote the idea of Social Impact Assessment (SIA)
- □ To verify and test the framework for conducting SIA in Hong Kong.
- ☐ To develop protocol and guidelines on SIA framework conduction

Event Highlights 1

November 28, 2012

Regional Dialogue on Experiences of Social Impact Assessment

Experts from Japan, Thailand, Singapore and Taiwan to introduce the development of SIA in their countries

Objectives:

- To promote sharing and exchange experience of the
- promotion of SIA in the region

 ☐ To establish network among individual social entrepreneurs, social enterprises, NGOs and network in the region
- To explore possible collaboration initiatives in the near



Event Highlights 2

February 25, 2013

Accounting for Social Impact: Workshop on Social Return on Investment (SROI)

Jeremy Nicholls, the chief executive of the <u>Social Return on Investment (SROI)</u> <u>Network</u> was invited to be the trainer at the workshop

Objectives:

- ☐ Introduce to participants the core questions behind 'social impact'
- ☐ Guide participants on how they would apply the SROI method to their own situation
- $\hfill \square$ Review the main practical challenges, the judgments practitioners will need to make and the potential costs and benefits for better decision making

March 22, 2013

A follow up meeting on SROI workshop

Participants from the workshop were invited to share their own cases and discuss more in-depth with the trainer and other participants

Snap shots of the SROI workshop and follow-up meeting



 An illustration of how SROI works with cases
 by participants





> Group discussion during workshop

SROI follow up meeting

Event Highlights 3

Up-coming events February 21-22, 2014 Future Camp HK

- A 1.5 days Social Innovation camp incorporated with impact assessment elements to introduce SIA to social engineers recruited from different sectors
- **☐** Keynote speaker: GroupSOS

February 24, 2014

Workshop on Social Impact Assessment

- ☐ To introduce an impact assessment framework and related tools used in France
- **□** Trainer: GroupSOS

Outputs

Resource Website:
 http://sia.hkcss.org.hk/index.php?lang=eng&action=training



Achievements

In sum, with 1 regional dialogue, 1 conference, 2 workshops to go with a follow up meeting and a resource website, we have:

- Promoted the ideas of SIA across stakeholders via opening up a regional dialogue and incorporated the impact assessment in a social innovation camp to reach out more social engineers
- Educated the NGO sector in using the SIA framework with
 - workshops conducted by experienced overseas speakers
 - a set of protocol and guidelines for frontline practitioners to use the framework
 - a resource website with framework and an indicator bank for measuring social impact uploaded for educational purpose
- Refined the SIA framework to be used in Hong Kong by conducting SIA studies on social service projects

Impacts

- ☐ Facilitated the NGO practitioners and stakeholders involved in social services to understand the concept of social impact assessment, and apply the **SIA Framework**
- ☐ Framework refined through a number of attempts on SIA social service programmes
- □ Developed a set of protocol and guidelines as a training manual for interested parties to use this SIA framework

What's next?

- Enhance the capacity of the NGOs to deliver/monitor the intended/unintended social impacts their service would like to make
- Strengthen the promotion of SIA to the NGO practitioners and stakeholders involved in social services
- Expand the indictor bank developed in the 1st phrase of ExCEL3

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