
Pakistan



ABSTRACT

Pakistan is one of the Next Eleven, the eleven countries that, along with the BRICs, have a high potential to become the world's largest economies in the 21st century.

Pakistan's banking sector has remained remarkably strong and resilient during the world financial crisis in 2008–09, a feature which has served to attract a substantial amount of FDI in the sector.

The microfinance sector of Pakistan is regulated by the State Bank of Pakistan and Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan, in such a way that, regardless of the legal status, all MFIs are now under regulatory supervision.

The study provides a detailed overview of the inclusive finance sector, contextualized in the political and socio-economic environment of the country. It is available for investors, donors and other participants of the sector who need to:

- evaluate new markets where to develop their activities;
- monitor the existing exposure in the country and deepen the knowledge of a market by spotting challenges and opportunities;
- identify FIs with a great potential for financing and technical support.

