# CGAP.org UX Research and Redesign

Part 2: Wireframes and IA Technical Team Meeting September 22, 2016



# Agenda

- 1. Review research & recommendations (11-11:30)
- 2. Content and wireframes (11:30-12:15)
- 3. Card sort exercise (12:15-1:00)
- 4. Lunch (1-1:45)
- 5. IA and navigation review (1:45-2:30)
- 6. Next steps (2:30-2:45)

# Goals of this project

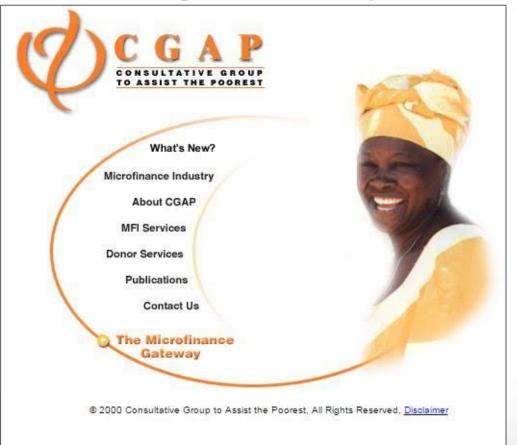
- The user research project's main objective is to analyze CGAP.org Web audience data and use that to inform the Website redesign.
- The audience analysis will help us improve CGAP's online content and identify gaps in knowledge products such as the Blog and Publications.
- The user research project's focus is about: who is using the site, how we can better connect content and users, and help to improve the user experience.

# Goals of this project (cont.)

- The types of research implemented to achieve the main goals of the project are comprehensive and have enough depth for CGAP to inform the Website redesign.
- The UX project findings and recommendations may be used as a starting point for defining audience outreach strategies

   but it's not intended for addressing specific audience or project needs outside of the Website redesign project.

# CGAP.org history: 2000



# CGAP.org history: 2005











▶ About CGAP ▶ About Microfinance ▶ Key Principles of Microfinance ▶ Publications ▶ Online Resources ▶ Press

### **CGAP News**

## February 2005:

## Donor Guidelines on Good Practice February 2, 2005

In a next step to foster donor effectiveness and build inclusive financial systems for large numbers of poor people, the new Donor Guidelines on Good Practice was launched... [read more]

### Tsunami Highlight: January 18, 2005

Sustaining Microfinance in Post-Disaster Asia: Guidance for MFIs and Donors

### CGAP Launches Middle East, North Africa Initiative

## Boulder moves to Turin!

## IFC Joins CGAP

### CGAP and UNCDF Announce Their Donor Training Course Schedule for 2005 Building Financial Systems for the Poor; How Donors Can Make a Difference?

### Announcing the Winners of the Pro-Poor Innovation Challenge Award- Round VII

### Request for Action Partners for CGAP Savings Initiative

### CGAP News Archive

## Financial Transparency

Information Systems Services, MFI Audit Information Center, CGAP-IDB Rating Fund, IS Fund, Microfinance Information exchange, CGAP Financial Transparency Award, 2004

### ▶ Enabling Policy Frameworks

Microfinance Consensus Guidelines, Individual Country Profiles of Microfinance Regulation, Policy Consultations, Technical Tools, Services, and Training

## Poverty Outreach

Poverty Assessment Tool, Poverty Audit, Client Targeting Resource Center, Impact Assessment Resource Center, Pro-Poor Innovation Challenge

### Institution Building

Information Systems Services, Skills for Microfinance Managers Training Program Microfinance Training Program at Boulder, Microfinance in MBA Programs, Product Costing Resource Center

### ▶ Donor Effectiveness

Donor Guidelines, Donor Information Resource Center, Member Donors, Donor Peer Reviews, Appraisal and Monitoring Service, CGAP/UNCDF Donor Training, Donor Briefs







Over a billion poor people lack access to essential financial services. The Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP), is a consortium of 28 public and private development agencies working together to expand access to financial services for the poor, referred to as microfinance.

CGAP's staff, working from World Bank offices in Washington, DC and Paris, serve donor agencies, microfinance institutions (MFIs), and other microfinance practitioners. To each of these client groups, CGAP provides technical advice, training, research and development, information dissemination, and funding for innovations. Read more

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# CGAP.org history: 2008



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MEDIA CENTER



## The US Sub-Prime Crisis: Five lessons for microfinance

Less than two years ago, nagging delinquency problems started to crop up in one tiny corner of the US home finance market – so-called "sub-prime" mortgages.

They made the dream of first-time home-ownership possible for many. Yet today, an estimated two million sub-prime loans appear likely to default, and the crisis has set off worldwide concerns about how the resulting credit crunch and possible U.S. recession will affect growth in countries rich and poor. What does this mean for microfinance?

## Announcements 🚨



CGAP's 2008 Annual Meeting: This year's Annual Meeting in Hyderabad included interesting discussions on funding and policy, as well as field visits to local Indian microfinance.

Brasilia Policy Forum: The Second Latin American Conference on Regulation and Supervision of Microfinance engaged regional policymakers on how to improve access to financial services for low income people.

Technology Forum 2008: The third Technology Forum will be held in Yaoundé, Cameroon July 1 and 2, 2008. The forum brings together financial service providers and technical solutions providers for workshops on using new technology to increase access to financial services.

Code of Ethics to be established in Microfinance: At the initiative of CGAP, Deutsche Bank and The Boulder Institute, leaders of microfinance institutions, investors, banks and development agencies have developed the Pocantico Declaration, the first step toward a code of conduct for microfinance

Funder Training Registration: Microfinance training for funders, Croatia, September 2008. The next CGAP/MFMI training course for funders, "Boulding Inclusive Financial Systems: How Can Funders Make a Difference?", will be held in Croatia. September 8-12, 2008.

2008 Microfinance Funder Survey Launched: CGAP has launched this year's survey to collect information from funders all over the world about the size and composition of their microfinance portfolios. Data will be analyzed and shared in various user-friendly formats.

## CGAP Microfinance Blog

CGAP Microfinance Blog: Welcome to the CGAP Microfinance Blog where we want to hear your comments on the latest trends and issues in access to finance.

## The Microfinance Gateway



The Microfinance Gateway is the most comprehensive online resource for the global microfinance community.

http://www.microfinancegateway.org

## Headlines 🚨



Doing Good by Doing Very Nicely Indeed
June 26, 2008 The Economist

Financial Advice for India

June 19, 2008

June 26, 2008 Financial Times

Morgan Stanley's Incredibly Shrinking Microfinance Group

Kenya Bill Seeks to block Saccos from Doing Money Transfers

Conde Nast Portfolio

# CGAP.org history: 2012–Today



Segmentation of Smallholder Households in Tanzania

Jamie Anderson, David Musiime, Collins Marita

May 24, 2016

## Smallholder Families

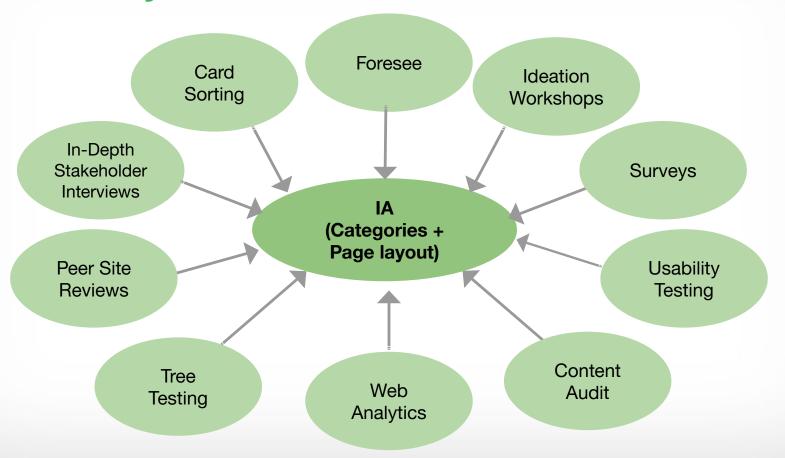
There are an estimated 500 million smallholder farming households representing 2 billion people relying to various degrees on agricultural

## in Reducing Hunger

19 September 2016

Many of the world's 1.5 billion smallholder farmers lack access to basic financial services, leaving...

# **UX Project: Overview**



## Who we talked to

ACCION, Amarante, CITI (Asia), Columbia University, Communication Works, DevImpact GMBH, Digital Disruptions, Ecobank transnational, Econet Wireless, Electran, FAO, FHI 360, Gates Foundation, Globe One, GSMA, Helix institute, IFC, IHB associates, IMTFI, IPA, KCB Bank Rwanda, KPMG, MCF, MFO, Microinsurance Centre, Microsave, Mondato, One Acre Fund, Postbank Kenya, RMIT, Triple Jump, Trulioo, UC Irvine, WCCN, World Bank

- International responses
- Cross-industry (financial sector, higher education, donors and investors, members)
- Cross-functional (executives, researchers, and practitioners)
- Multi-lingual (native and non-native English speakers)

# Findings

- Lack of connection between content; currently siloed by content type (blog posts, publications, videos, etc.)
- Publications are unfriendly to mobile or low bandwidth users, and are not optimized for search engines in current PDF-only format
- Discoverability of content is difficult and confusing
- New users have difficulty understanding what CGAP does and who CGAP is
- Visual design is not very modern

# Summary of recommendations

- 1. Better explain what CGAP does
- 2. Consolidate topics into a simple and translatable list
- 3. Rethink content interoperability and relationships so that **related videos**, **blog posts**, **and publications can be displayed** side-by-side
- Consolidate publication formats and migrate publications to a user-, mobile-, and search-friendly format that works for longer-form publications
- 5. Create targeted content for new users
- 6. Use **photography** to convey positive impressions of CGAP and content

## **Future vision**

- Interactive, practical knowledge tool where users can better interact with content
  - Individual library of saved content
  - Easier sharing
- Integrate all existing content into the site in a meaningful way
  - Bring external content into the site so that users can find exactly what they need
- Implement open content API for content accessibility in different contexts
  - Partners
  - End users

# Content and interaction design

## **Process**

- 1. Content prioritization workshop
- 2. Content model
- 3. Wireframe drafts
- 4. Usability testing and refinement

## Final Wireframes

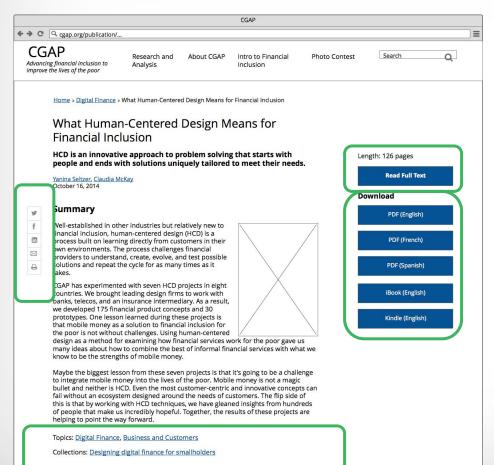
**Publication** 

Collection

Topic

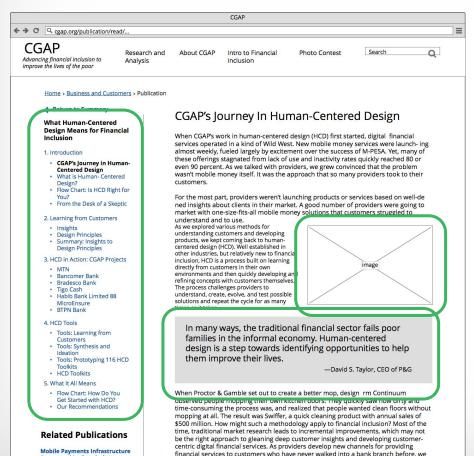
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# Publications: Summary view



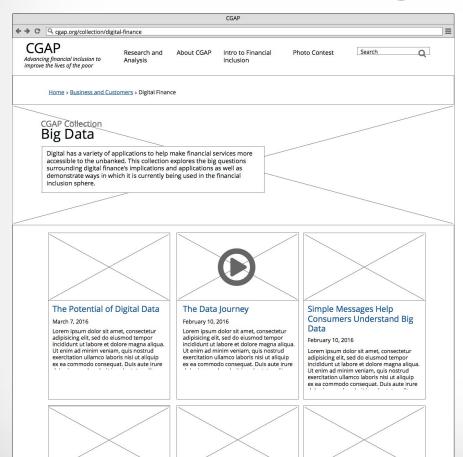
- Summary page is very similar to current publication page with a large call-to-action to read the publication online
- Continue to offer PDF and other file formats for download
- Features related content
- Easy sharing to social media

# Publications: Reading view



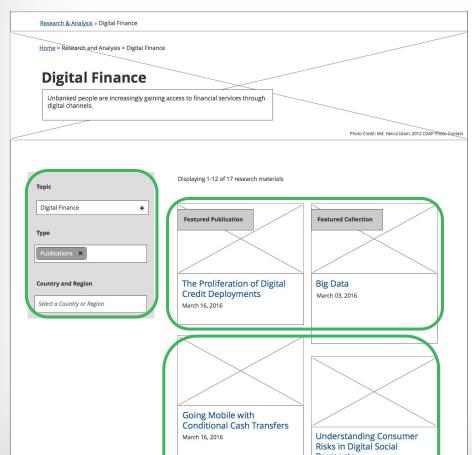
- Book-style formatting to accommodate the longest publications, including chapters, sections, pages.
- Publications able to accommodate embedded images, videos, slideshows, pull quotes, etc.

# Collection pages



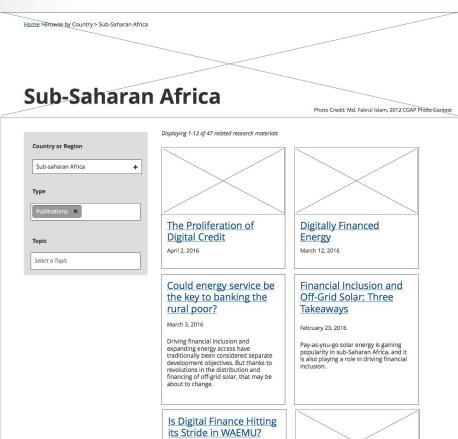
- Custom "packages" that can display content related to initiatives and projects
- Add any type of content: videos, blog posts, publications, etc.
- Collections can be tagged so they appear on specific Topic pages

# Topic pages



- Topic pages are the new browsing pages for "Focus Areas"
- Featured content appears at the top of the listing
- The rest of the tagged content appears below by most recent
- The box on the left allows users to:
  - switch topics
  - browse by type
  - filter by country/region

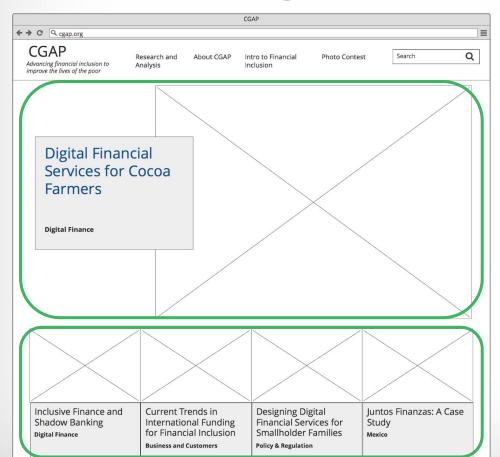
# Country or Region pages



February 14, 2016

 Use the same layout as Topic pages, including ability to filter

# Homepage



- Featured content area to show the latest and greatest CGAP content
- Photography or other images associated with features

# Homepage (continued)

## What is CGAP?

The **Consultative Group to Assist the Poor** is a global partnership of 34 leading organizations that seek to advance financial inclusion. Our mission is to improve the lives of poor people by spurring innovations and advancing knowledge and solutions that promote responsible, sustainable, inclusive financial markets.



## 34 Members

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## 1,125 Blog Posts

Our specialists focus on key topics and specific regions and provide up to date information regarding financial inclusion.



## 430 Publications

CGAP has produced 430 publications ranging from briefs and focus notes to in-depth perspectives on topics of interest

- Introductory content to describe CGAP's mission and include some basic statistics
- Recent news or press releases
- Flexible module for highlighting projects, e.g. Photo Contest

## News and Press Releases

## **Press Release**

2014 Saw \$31 Billion in International Funding for Financial Inclusion

April 19, 2016

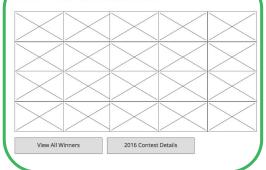
A Year in the Lives of Smallholder Families

March 19, 2016

New Data from CGAP Sets Benchmark for Use of Mobile Financial Services

January 19, 2016

## 2015 Photo Contest Winners



## Members

- Website is an important engagement tool
- Highlight members for better visibility
- Potentially their own content type so that members can have relationships to content, enabling:
  - Dynamic directory of members with profile pages
  - Display of member supported research
  - Sponsored content or curated member collections
  - Co-branding
  - Member portals (?)

# Card sort workshop

## Instructions

- 1. Break into groups
- 2. Work as a group to sort cards into piles where content is related or makes sense together
- 3. Put names on each pile of cards and adjust as necessary
- 4. Present to the team

# Information Architecture

# Current categories

## BROWSE PUBLICATIONS BY:

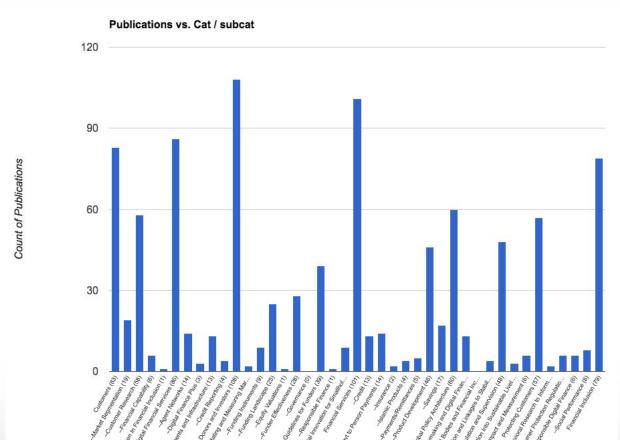
TOPICS Customers Market Segmentation Customer Research Financial Capability Women and Financial Inclusion Digital Financial Services Agent Networks Digital Finance Plus Payments and Infrastructure Credit Reporting Donors and Investors Facilitating and Measuring Market Development Funding Instruments Funding Landscape

41 total categories:

- 10 categories
- 31 subcategories

431 publications as of 9/20

# Publications by category



# Card Sorting Exercise

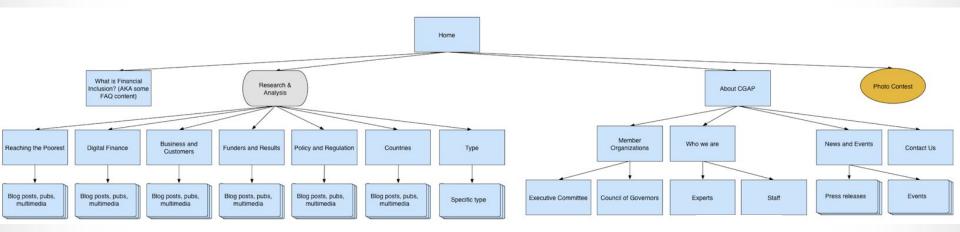
- CGAP stakeholder (IT, Communications, Dalberg, 4K) workshop
- March 2016
- Grouped sample content into natural categories instead of content format
- Discussed labels/descriptions
- Worked on taxonomy and metadata changes

## Results from card sort

Category mapping with first draft of new category names

## **Funders and Results** 8 Impact & Measurement 3 Donors & Investors **Policy and Regulation** 6 Global Policy Architecture 9a - Protecting Customers > Behavioral Research to Inform Consumer Protection Policymaking 9b - Protecting Customers > Consumer Protection Regulation and Supervision Digital Finance 2 Digital Financial Services **Business and Customers** 1 Customers 9c - Protecting Customers > Responsible Digital Finance 9d - Protecting Customers > Social Performance 5 Financial Services 9 Protecting Customers Reaching the Poorest 7 Graduation into Sustainable Livelihoods 4 Financial innovation for smallholder families

# Revised draft



# Tree Testing Methodology

- Users were asked to complete 15 tasks independently via web survey
- 32 respondents
- March 2016
- Analyze where users followed intended paths and where they went astray

# Tree test findings: general

- 1. Confusion about "staff" vs "experts"
- 2. "What is Financial Inclusion?" page was selected by a couple of users for quite a few questions
- 3. Geographic metadata was important for sample questions that had significance to specific countries (i.e., a question about M-PESA)

# Tree test findings: categories

- 1. **Reaching the Poorest** category appeared to be narrow; users weren't sure who the poorest were and sometimes selected *Business & Customers* instead
- 2. **Digital Finance** category caused some confusion with Business & Customers
- 3. **Business & Customers** category was confusing; often interchanged with *Digital Finance* and vice-versa
- 4. Funders & Results category was well-received, though "results" is not industry standard naming
- 5. **Policy & Regulation** category appeared to be understood by a large majority of users

### Tree test: recommendations

- Carefully write and construct What is Financial Inclusion page, as new users may refer to it frequently at first
- 2. **Staff** and **Experts**: Rename and consolidate to "Directory"
- 3. Reaching the Poorest: rename to Reaching the Poor
- 4. **Funders & Results**: think about using more industry standard naming for "Results"

### In-depth interviews methodology

- 1:1 interviews were conducted with six CGAP.org users identified by CGAP
  - Five were non-native English speakers
- Sessions were conducted between December 14 and 18, 2016
- Each session lasted about 45 minutes
- The interviews were conducted over remote video conference, with the ability for the moderator to share computer screen

### In-depth interview findings

#### Reaching the Poorest

 Small differentiation between "poor" (the whole target) vs. "poorest" (the last mile; slightly too narrow)

#### **Business and Customers**

- "Business" was not clear "industry" or "business innovations" might be better
- Less interest in "customer segments" as compared to "customer protection"
- Possibly two separate categories

#### Funders and Results

- Information on funders was not sought; information on CGAP's partners should be placed under About CGAP
- "Results" was not as clear as "impact" or "measurement"
- These two topics (funders and results) do not belong under one heading

### In-depth interview recommendations

- 1. Change "poorest" to "poor"
- 2. Split Business & Customers into two categories
- 3. Results not as clear as "Impact" might be
- 4. Remove *Funders* as a main topic and put funder content elsewhere

## Categories

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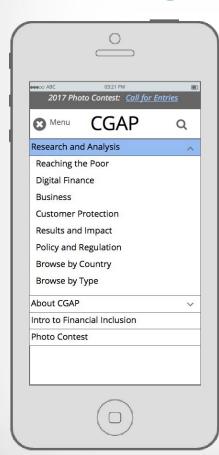
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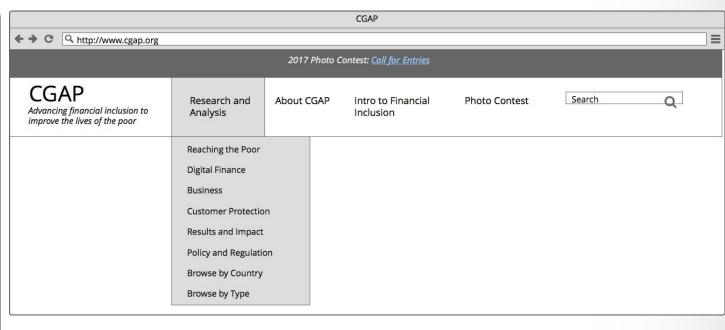
Funding Landscape



- Reaching the Poor
- Digital Finance
- Business
- Customer Protection
- Results & Impact
- Policy & Regulation

# Navigation





# What's next?

## Next steps

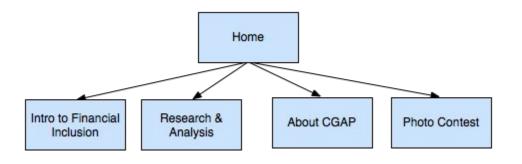
- 1. Further refine content model to include additional information, esp around members
- 2. Visual design to implement a visual and interactive style guide
- 3. Implement new content architecture and migrate existing content
- 4. Update site navigation and content
- 5. Upgrade the Drupal CMS from version 7 to version 8



Thank you!

# Reference Slides

# Top-level navigation



# Research & Analysis section

