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How to Create Flows of Investment Capital Funding towards Solving Social Problems

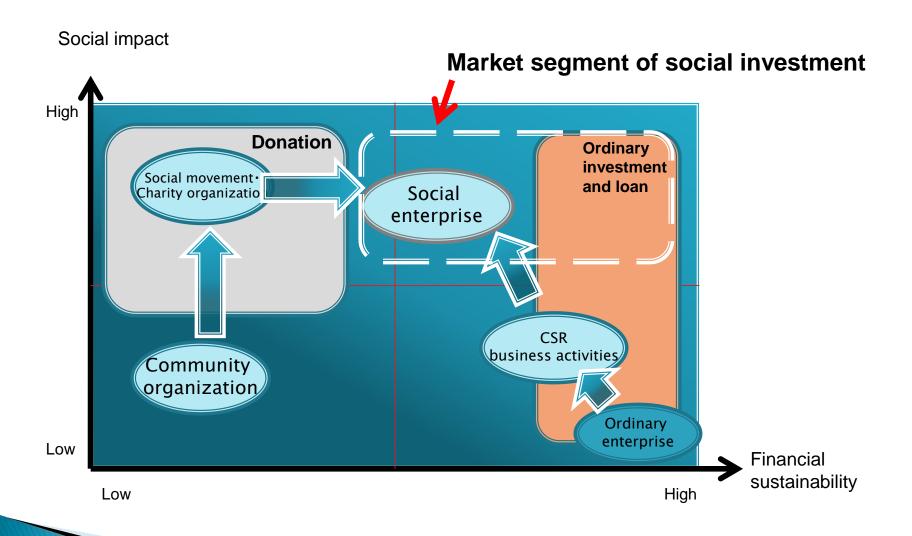
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Self Introduction – Ken Ito



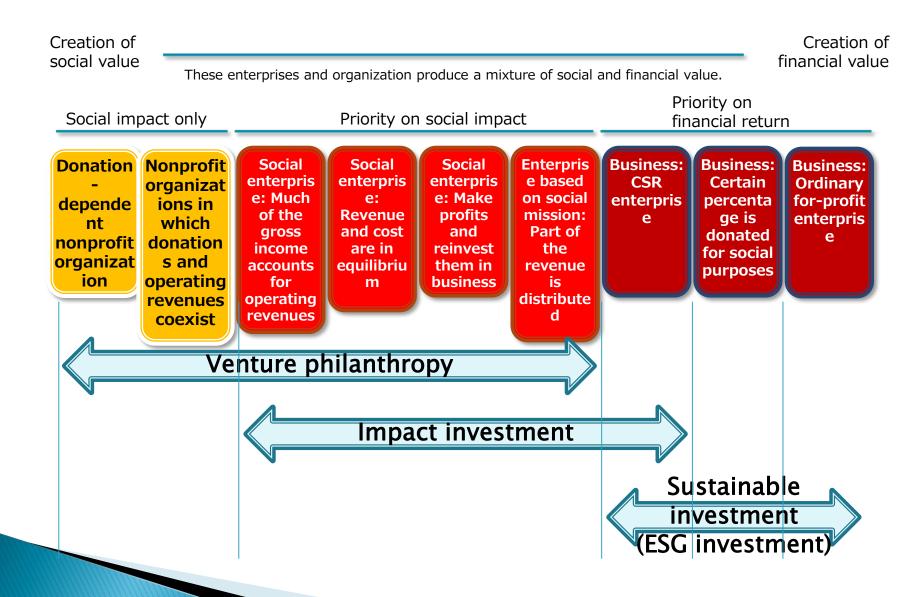
- Joined GE International after completing MBA in Thunderbird Global School of Management in USA.
 Conducted business improvement activities by using Six Sigma method and post-acquisition integration of businesses in the corporate finance sector. Joined Social Venture Partners Tokyo as a partner since 2005 alongside regular work and provided training support for social ventures.
- Retired from GE in 2008 and worked for NPO ISL until 2010, being involved in the startup and operation of the Center for Social Innovation. Main work included the operation of the Social Entrepreneur of the Year (SEOY) Japan program in cooperation with Schwab Foundation in Switzerland.
- Project Research Associate, Graduate School of Media and Governance, Keio University since 2010. Project Assistant Professor since 2016. Main research area is Social Impact Assessment. Teaches "Social Finance," and "Product Development and Marketing of Social Business."
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1-1. Positioning of Social Investment



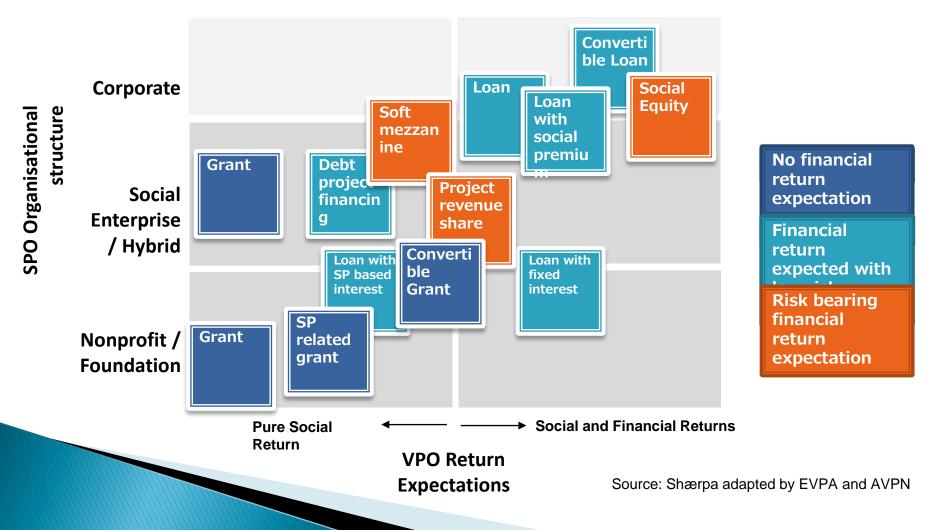
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1-2. Segments of Social Business and Social Investment



1-3. Different Instruments of Funding

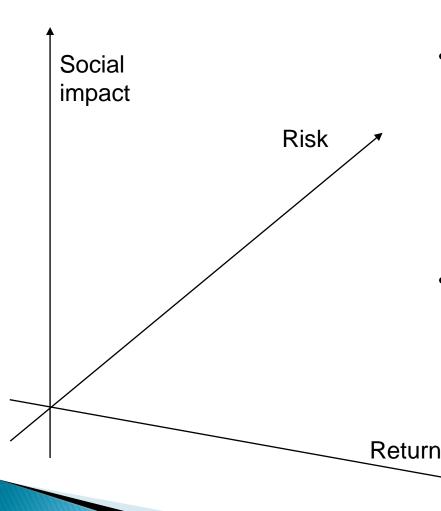
Depending on the form of the investee corporation, or the degree expected of the financial return, different instruments apply.



1-4. Typical Models of Social Investment

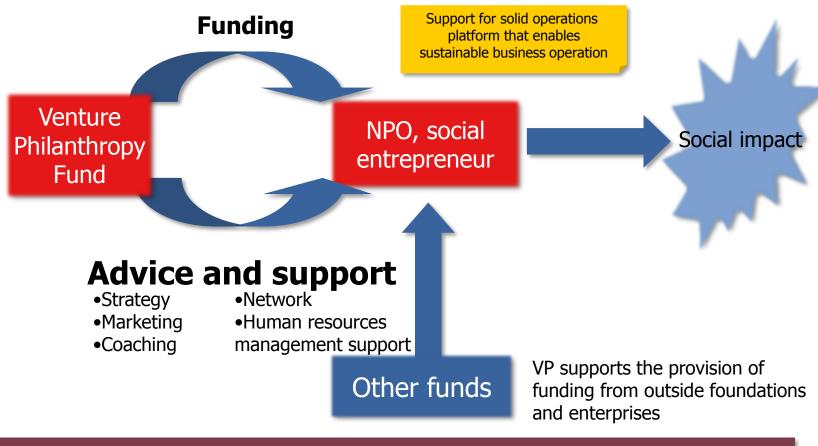
	Target	Method	Characteristics and typical examples	Market size
Venture Philanthropy	NPO and social enterpri se	Grant (donation)	Support in both funding and managementSocial Venture Partners, Robin Hood Foundation	Accumulation of 6.5 billion euros in Europe (as of 2016)
Impact Investment	Social enterpri se (unliste d, mainly)	Investmen t and loan	USA has the PRI legislation. Otherwise, focus is strong on small and medium-sized enterprises of developing countries. -Acumen Fund, Endeavor, etc.	Globally, 300 billion dollars forecasted for 2020 (GSG) In Japan, 76 billion yen (2017, estimated by Nippon Foundation)
Sustainable Investment (ESG Investment)	Shares and bonds of highly social	Investmen t	Mostly large-scale enterprises as targets are listed enterprises. -Sumishin SRI Open, Daiwa Microfinance, etc.	Globally, 2,500 trillion yen In Japan, 232 trillion yen (asset balance, as of March 2018)

1-5. Social Impact as the "Third Axis" after Risk and Return



- The position of an investment portfolio has thus far been represented by two axes of risk and return.
- With social investment, the axis of "social impact" is added to the two axes.

2-1. Venture Philanthropy Model



Venture philanthropy increases effectiveness of its funding by longterm advice and strategic support

2-2. Characteristics of Venture Philanthropy

Due to questions about the foundations' conventional methods of support for the nonprofit sector in providing grant, venture philanthropy was developed by founders, who come mostly from investment companies including private equity, as a method to support nonprofit organizations by using investment techniques.

Existing grant-giving foundations

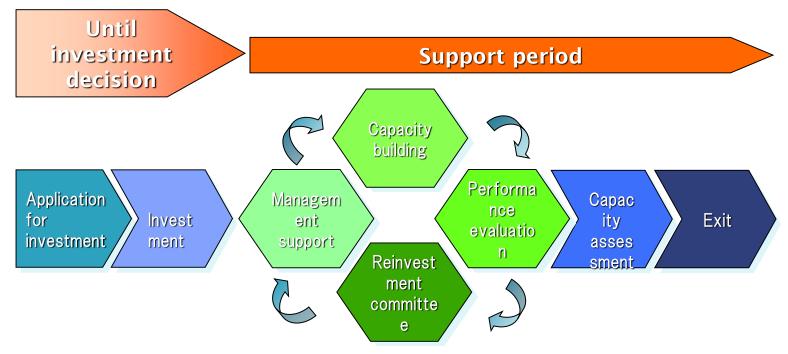
- Provide funding, but not support for operational knowhow
- · Normally single-year grant
- Provide grant for projects, but not support for management infrastructure (people and organization) itself
- Low commitment to activities
- Not output-based, do not have "Exit" strategy
- Do not share risks

VP model

- Provide not only funding, but also support in terms of operational knowhow for the organization's management
- Medium to long-term support, commitment to outcomes, "Exit" strategy
- Intensively invest in management resources and organizational infrastructure for social organizations with high potential
- Measure performance toward goal achievement
- · High commitment to activities
- · Share risks

Capacity building of social ventures through multi-year commitment

2-3. VP Support: Support Cycle



Examples of "service menu" of VP organizations

- 1. Strategy
- 2. Financial plan, accounting
- 3. Fundraising
- 4. Organizational development
- Organization and governance

- 6. Information technology
- 7. Performance evaluation
- 8. Business expansion
- 9. Publicity, public relations
- 10. Introduction to outside network

Provide management support for organization reinforcement

2-4. Pioneering Organizations in **Europe and the United States**

NEW PROFIT inc.

United States

In the late 1990s, VP funds were established mainly on the west coast. Currently, several dozen funds are active across the country.

New Profit

Summary

- o Founded in 1999 in Boston, currently has 50 employees and an annual budget of \$20M. The Monitor Group provides support in the form of both funding and human resources.
- o Has provided financial and managerial support to a total of 40 NPOs. Target organizations show an annual average growth rate of 40%, and the cumulative number of beneficiaries exceeds two million people.

Principal Investees

Focuses on the area of education to investigate and select its target organization to invest in. Has supported "Teach for All" since its start recognizing its foresight in that it today keeps top of the best jobs ranking list in the field of humanities.

Social Venture Partners

Summary

- o Established in Seattle in 1997, 25 partner locations in the US, 2,500 members.
- o Has provided financial and professional managerial support to a total of 300 NPOs. SVP Tokyo is active in Japan.

Principal Investees

o Community-based action: all partner locations carry out their own investigation processes to select and support organizations that solve issues within the community.

Europe

VP funds were established by PE funds and grant-giving organizations around the 2000s. In 2006 EVPA was established, which currently has 136 members and has donated a cumulative total of more than €1 billion.

Impetus Trust

Summary

- Established in London in 2002, approximately 20 employees. Cumulative investment of \$6M until present.
- Has provided financial and long-term managerial support to a total of 13 NPOs. CVC and Apax are among its support providers.

Principal Investees

o Initially supported NPOs over a wide range of sectors, currently focused on solving poverty issues and social rehabilitation of former convicts.

CAN Breakthrough

Summary

- **BREAK THROUGH** Founded as an investment sector of CAN, an NPO intermediary support organization. Permira, a PE fund, provides support in the form of both funding and human resources.
- Has provided financial and managerial support of \$4.5M to a total of 7 NPOs. Target organizations show an annual average growth rate of 20%.

Principal Investees

o Provides support to organizations based in CAN-operated incubation facilities for NPOs and social enterprises.



2-5. Expansion of Venture Philanthropy in Asia

The venture philanthropy movement which spread in Europe and US in the '90s reached Asia in the late 2000s. They vary in size and reach but below are a list of major funds in East Asia that adopt the methods of venture philanthropy.



Social Venture Partners Tokyo (Tokyo, Japan)

D3 Dubilee (Seoul, Korea)

Sopoong Ventures (Seoul, Korea)

Seed:s (Seoul, Korea)

Flow Inc. (Taipei, Taiwan)

Fuping Development Institute (Beijing, China)

Non-Profit Partners (Beijing, China)

ECSEL (Shanghai, China)

Non-Profit Incubator (Shanghai, China)

Social Ventures Hong Kong (Hong Kong, China)

Sow Asia Foundation (Hong Kong, China)

Center for Social Initiatives Promotion (Hanoi.

Vietnam)

Change Fusion (Bangkok, Thailand)

Grassroots Business Development Fund(US/Thailand)

Social Innovation Park (Singapore)

3-1. Impact Investment Case Examples Bridges Ventures (UK)



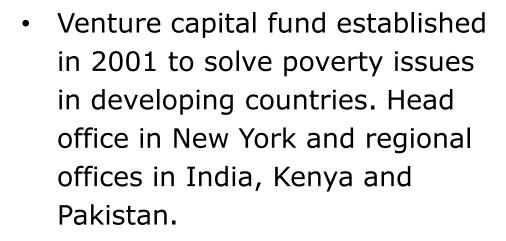




- Founded in 2002 as a semi-governmental fund with the fund of £40MM to promote community investment in UK.
- With Bridges Charitable Trust being the parent organization, private equity investment companies, such as Apax and 3i, participate in the operation.
- Investment is limited to poor communities below 10% of the lower class in UK invests in low-cost sports clubs for low-income population, waste oil recycling business, hotel business, and business education.
- Participates in outcome-based private investment schemes of the government.
- Executes its first Exit in 2005, launches the second privately-funded fund in 2007 with £75MM, and the third fund in 2011 with £72MM.

3-2. Impact Investment Case Examples Acumen Fund (USA)

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- Invested approximately \$60
 million to date in 57 social
 ventures in developing countries,
 with about 40 million project
 beneficiaries in total.
- Major support areas: public health and water supply

4–1. Assessment System for ESG Investment

Positive screening and negative screening

Negative screening

Exclude specific business or industry sector
Tobacco
Alcohol
Gamble
Consideration to environment and employees
Human rights issues in developing countries
Governance
Compliance
Supply chain

Positive screening

Select "Best in Class"

Management system
Environment management
system
Environmental burden,
environmental efficiency
Information disclosure
Communication

 Many ESG funds employ a combination of both negative and positive screening.

4-2. Case Example: Vaccine Bonds and Microfinance Bonds



- Vaccine Bonds are the bonds issued since
 June 24, 2009 by 4 organizations, HSBC
 Securities Company, International Finance
 Facility for Immunisation (IFFIm), GAVI
 Alliance, and the World Bank, to provide
 vaccine to children in developing countries.
 Solicitation of sale started on June 1st of the
 same year.
- Funds raised through vaccine bonds become financial resources for immunization and health services for children in over 70 countries in the world.
- Kinds of bonds: 4-year maturity bonds denominated in Australian dollars and South African rand.
- 19 sales companies. Ratings include AAA by S&P and Aaa by Moody's. Aims at raising USD4 billion to provide vaccine immunization to 500 million children.

5-1. Discussion at G8: Challenges toward Expanding Social Investment Market

G8 policy recommendations

1. Outcomeoriented policies and business assessment

- 2. Penetration of impact investment.
- 3. Clarification of fiduciary responsibility.
- 4.
 Performance-based public procurement.

Challenges for Japan in response and envisaged actions (2016)

- Outcome-oriented policies and project evaluation have not disseminated among relevant persons in the government, enterprise CSR, NPOs, and grantgiving foundations.
- Evaluation technique for social outcome has not been established.
- → Promote dissemination and awareness of outcome-oriented approach and evaluation methods.
- Socially responsible investment market is immature.
- → Expand the socially responsible investment and impact investment by institutional investors.
- The relation between the fiduciary responsibility under laws (Employees' Pension Fund, Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, etc.) and socially responsible investment, PRI, and impact investment is not clear.
- → Legally and interpretationally clarify that fiduciary responsibility is not inconsistent with investment activities that take social returns into consideration.
- Performance-based public procurement is hardly exercised.
- There is a lack of support for social impact bonds at the government level.
- → Local governments create a model; at the same time, urge Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, and Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications to introduce performance-linked businesses such as social impact bonds at the government level.

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G8 policy recommendations

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- 5. Utilization of dormant deposits.
- A bill regarding the utilization of dormant deposits for solving social problems is expected to be submitted to an extraordinary Diet session this fiscal year. National Assembly for Dormant Deposits has been making a recommendation to the Diet members' caucus that a part of dormant deposits be used for impact investment.
- → Pursue the realization of impact investment with dormant deposits.
- 6. Building of management capacity of investees.
- More grant money is provided for operating cost while less funding is provided for building operational capabilities of NPOs and social enterprises.
- → Promote providing grant money for building management capacity.
- 7. Establish legal personality for social enterprises.
- · There is no legal personality for social businesses.
- → Consider needs and institutional bottlenecks with regard to the establishment of investment-based NPOs and social business corporations.
- 8. International development and impact investment.
- JICA's FS research project on BOP business, etc. is taking a lead. The possibility of establishing impact investment funds is under consideration.
- → Consider Japan's participation in the Global Fund and Development Impact Bonds (DIB).

Summary

- Now that the redistribution of social resources by way of conventional economic growth and functions of state has begun to show limitations, there are rising expectations toward solving social problems by using private funds.
- In international policy discussions as well, attention is drawn to the positioning of social finance by such private funds.
- In the area of investing in the investment-oriented society, there
 also exist different segments such as venture philanthropy, impact
 investing, and ESG investment, which, while relating to each other,
 are causing the market to grow.
- For such social investment market to expand, there are such challenges as a social system related to finance, the maturing of the social enterprise sector, and the fostering of a culture related to social impact.