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Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

It is our pleasure to invite you to **The Second Annual Child and Youth Finance International Summit & Award Ceremony** which will be held **May 7th - 9th 2013** in Istanbul, Turkey. The Summit is organized by Child and Youth Finance International and is held under the patronage of the **Capital Markets Board of Turkey** in collaboration with the **Borsa İstanbul** and the **Central Bank of Turkey**. The Summit will focus on the relevance and significance of Economic Citizenship Education and financial access for children and youth, as well as innovations in the field of Child and Youth Finance across the world.

Your contribution as a partner at the Summit will further a positive conviction that building responsible and sustainable financial empowerment among the next generation will provide children and youth across the world with the necessary skills to lower their financial vulnerability and break the cycle of poverty.

This Summit follows the success of the first Annual Summit which took place in Amsterdam in April 2012, and which saw the launch of the Child and Youth Finance Movement. It brought together 346 participants from 83 countries, including 70 youth participants from 40 countries. Since that time, the Movement has grown exponentially through the efforts of its global multi-stakeholder partners to ensure financial inclusion and education to all children and youth across the world. The Movement is made strong through its collaborations with over 500 organizations and individuals, including national authorities, financial institutions and networks, NGOs and educators, academics and many more. Today, our united efforts have ensured outreach to over 18 million children and youth around the world. You can read more on the progress of the Movement in [this publication](#).

At the Second Child and Youth Finance International Summit, 400 expected participants will share experiences, showcase innovations and highlight their commitment to the Movement. In parallel to the Summit is a Youth Meeting on May 7th, at which we are expecting 100 youth participants. The key objectives of the Summit are to:

- Highlight the commitment of key stakeholders to the Movement's goal of reaching **100 million children in 100 countries by 2015**
- Share innovations and best practices from across various sectors and countries
- Spread awareness about the Child and Youth Finance concept
- Give children and youth the opportunity to share their recommendations and thoughts directly with policymakers

A unique feature of the Summit is the active participation of children and youth. The Summit will give the opportunity for children and youth from across the world to share their views on Child and Youth Finance issues and engage with meeting participants in panel sessions. In so doing, the Movement ensures that children and youth are constantly given the opportunity to participate and engage at all levels.

Meeting participants are welcome to hold or participate in **pre-summit workshops** on the issues of financial access and Economic Citizenship Education for children and youth.

You can find more information on the pre-summit, as well as the latest [program schedule](#) for the three days, information on fees and registration for the Summit and Awards Ceremony on the [summit website](#).

We look forward to your participation at the event.

Yours Sincerely,



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