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## **Digital Finance and Financial Inclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean**

**A Research Network Project**

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### **Summary**

There has been a dramatic increase in digital payments in Latin America and the Caribbean, which presents both opportunities and challenges to ensure that digital finance translates into deeper financial inclusion. The following Research Network project aims to provide evidence on three key areas: the effects of digital payments on Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises' (MSMEs') growth, the impact of policies designed to enhance competition among digital payment platforms (e.g., interoperability), and the use of financial consumer data in advancing financial inclusion (e.g., open finance). This Call for Research Proposals encourages research that provides rigorous evidence on these areas with the goal of informing policy decisions.