
Bernd Leidner

Mr. Leidner has more than 28 years of experience in designing, establishing, and managing credit guarantee schemes (CGSs) focused on promoting access to finance for MSMEs in highly challenging markets. He serves as CEO of ACGF – Afghan Credit Guarantee Foundation and is former Managing Partner of LANDT GmbH, a Germany-based consulting company focused on CGSs around the world.

Mr. Leidner played key roles in the design and operationalization of newly established CGS as well as in improving the service delivery of existing ones. He carried out a number of due diligences of CGSs for various international donors and led a team to provide IFC with commercially viable and replicable market instruments for investment into CGS and for risk transfer. Amongst many further projects, Mr. Leidner also oversaw the development of a rationale for a regional counter-guarantee scheme in the Arab region.

