



Chapter 5

Compilation of Research Achievements

1. Book: *Government and Market in Inclusive Finance*

Chief Editor: Bei Duoguang

Executive Editor: Hu Xu

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Abstract: This book reviews the development of inclusive finance over the past decade and examines how to balance the roles of the government and the market from multiple perspectives. It centers on seven key themes: Why is government-backed financing guarantee still necessary when market-oriented guarantee institutions already exist? Why is a government-led credit information platform needed when market players have developed their own data and information platforms? Does financial consumer protection require government involvement? Must inclusive finance be both "inclusive" and "beneficial"? Should the government intervene in the interest rates of the inclusive finance market? Is a regulatory framework based on commercial banking suitable for the diverse market entities engaged in inclusive finance? Is structural monetary policy effective in promoting inclusive finance, and could it lead to market volatility? What are the outcomes and lessons learned from pilot zones for inclusive finance reform?

2. Book: *Rural Finance*

Chief Editor: Bei Duoguang

Executive Editor: Mo Xiugen

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Abstract: This book proposes a new concept of rural finance in the new era, discussing the dilemmas faced by rural finance in supporting rural development and the underlying reasons. By analyzing the financial needs in the current rural economic and social development in China and the successful experiences of financial institutions at home and abroad, it identifies the optimal approach to solving the dilemmas of rural financial institutions, while adhering to the "double objectives". It also explores various key issues in achieving the "double objectives" of rural finance.

3. Book: *Guarding Financial Health*

Chief Editor: Bei Duoguang

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Abstract: Themed "Guarding Financial Health," this book is based on the need to establish an ecological system for high-quality development of inclusive finance in China. It unfolds from two perspectives, "what it is" and "how to do it." On the one hand, it deeply explores how to grasp the financial health of micro and vulnerable groups, focusing on analyzing the current financial health status of households and micro and small business entities. On the other hand, it focuses on the mechanisms, environment, and development principles for safeguarding financial health.

4. Book: *New Starting Point: Building an Inclusive Finance Ecosystem*

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Abstract: This book systematically discusses two parts: the development of inclusive finance in China and the construction of an inclusive finance ecosystem. Based on the final year of the first-round strategic plan, it reviews the implementation of the Plan for Promoting Development of Inclusive Finance (2016-2020), summarizes the achievements and experience of inclusive finance development over the past five years, analyzes the remaining challenges, and explores the key tasks for building an inclusive finance ecosystem in the next five years.

5. Paper: *Financial Accessibility in County Areas and Digital Inclusive Finance: From the Perspective of New Financial Institutions*

Authors: Song Ke, Liu Jialin, Li Zhoujia

Source: Finance & Trade Economics, Issue 4, 2022

Abstract: With the rapid development of financial technology, accurately grasping the relationship between traditional finance and digital inclusive finance has become particularly important. This paper uses a text mining approach to manually organize data for the first time on three types of new financial institutions, village and township banks, micro-credit companies, and rural mutual fund

societies, in 2,742 counties in China from 2014 to 2019. Based on this, it analyzes the relationship between financial accessibility in county areas (represented by new financial institutions) and the development of digital inclusive finance. The study finds that the "complementary effect" between county-level financial accessibility and digital inclusive finance development is stronger than the "synergistic effect", with a significantly dominant complementary effect on the whole. Specifically, lower financial accessibility in county areas is more conducive to the development of digital inclusive finance. From a dimensional perspective, lower financial accessibility in county areas is more conducive to expanding the breadth of coverage and depth of use of digital inclusive finance, and the overall "complementary effect" is primarily reflected in micro-credit companies. Furthermore, in the eastern regions and counties with a higher level of digital innovation and stronger financial regulation, the "complementary effect" between the two is more pronounced than the "synergistic effect". This paper provides a useful theoretical basis and policy implications for continuing to promote the development of digital inclusive finance at the county level and implementing the rural revitalization strategy in the new era.

6. Paper: *Can Digital Inclusive Finance Narrow Urban-Rural Income Gap in Counties? On the Synergistic Effect between Digital Inclusive Finance and Traditional Finance*

Authors: Song Ke, Liu Jialin, Li Zhoujia

Source: China Soft Science, Issue 6, 2022

Abstract: Using text mining methods to organize county-level panel data from 2014 to 2019, this study investigates the role and mechanism of digital inclusive finance development in narrowing the urban-rural income gap at the county level and analyzes the synergistic effects between digital inclusive finance and traditional finance. The research finds that digital inclusive finance can significantly narrow the urban-rural income gap, particularly in the eastern and central regions. The mechanism analysis shows that digital inclusive finance primarily narrows the urban-rural income gap through the "income structure optimization effect" and the "credit allocation optimization effect". Furthermore, digital inclusive finance and traditional finance exhibit synergistic effects in narrowing the urban-rural income gap. From the perspective of new county-level financial institutions, a higher level of financial accessibility in rural commercial banks significantly enhances the effect of digital inclusive finance in narrowing the urban-rural income gap, while this role is not significant for micro-credit companies.

7. Paper: Building a Virtuous Cycle System of Science and Technology-Industry-Finance

Authors: Bei Duoguang, Dong Ji

Source: China Finance, Issue 14, 2024

Abstract: The Central Financial Work Conference held at the end of 2023 proposed

focusing on the "five major articles" of sci-tech finance, green finance, inclusive finance, pension finance, and digital finance. Against the backdrop of scientific and technological innovation becoming a crucial strategic force in China's modernization drive, sci-tech finance has been designated as the primary article, highlighting its significant role in promoting a virtuous cycle among science and technology, industry, and finance. We need to deeply understand the significance of sci-tech finance at present, and that the Fourth Industrial Revolution and the unprecedented changes unseen in a century in the world are intertwined and mutually influential, making the logic of scientific and technological competition among major powers more complex and intricate.

8. Paper: Inclusive Finance as a Comprehensive Driver of Small, Medium, and Micro Enterprises Development

Authors: Luo Yu, Yu Xiaohang

Source: China Finance, Issue 12, 2024

At the Central Financial Work Conference, it was emphasized that China should unwaveringly pursue a path of financial development with Chinese characteristics, accelerate the building of a financial power, and promote high-quality financial development by advancing five key areas: sci-tech finance, green finance, inclusive finance, pension finance, and digital finance. One defining feature of this development path, in contrast to Western financial models, is its emphasis on the political nature and people-

centered orientation of financial work. Among the "Five Major Financial Tasks", inclusive finance stands out by adhering to the principles of equal opportunity and commercial sustainability. It aims to provide appropriate and effective financial services at affordable costs to all social groups with financial needs. In doing so, it plays a vital role in supporting the growth of small, medium, and micro enterprises (SMEs), stimulating innovation and entrepreneurship, expanding employment, increasing household disposable income, and improving public well-being, thus vividly reflecting the people-centered nature of China's financial strategy. First, it is necessary to optimize products in key fields of inclusive finance and provide diversified and professional financial services. Second, it is necessary to improve high-quality and inclusive insurance systems to enhance the risk response capabilities of small, medium, and micro enterprises (SMEs). Third, it is necessary to leverage multiple technologies to develop digital inclusive finance and achieve "passive supervision + active service". Fourth, it is necessary to enhance the efficiency of inclusive finance in capital markets to meet the diversified financing needs of small, medium, and micro enterprises (SMEs). Fifth, it is necessary to support green and low-carbon development through inclusive finance and promote the green transformation of small, medium,

and micro enterprises (SMEs).

9. Paper: Sound Credit Environment Is Necessary for Development of Digital Inclusive Finance

Authors: Wu Jingmei, Wang Yuwei

Source: China Finance, Issue 23, 2022

Abstract: It was proposed in the Plan for Promoting the Development of Inclusive Finance (2016–2020) to actively guide various inclusive financial service providers to leverage modern information technology, such as the Internet, to reduce financial transaction costs, extend service coverage, and expand the breadth and depth of inclusive financial services. In reality, the development of digital inclusive finance still faces challenges. The key to fundamentally alleviating financing constraints lies in fostering a sound social credit environment. First, continuously improving policy frameworks provide policy guarantees for the development of digital inclusive finance. Second, rapidly advancing digital technologies offer technical support for its growth. Third, innovative and optimized financial practices provide empirical references for its development. Fourth, it is necessary to create a favorable credit environment for the development of digital inclusive finance.

10. Paper: Rural Finance: The Top Priority of Inclusive Finance

Author: Bei Duoguang

Source: The Chinese Banker, Issue 1, 2024

Abstract: Inclusive finance has been officially developed in China for a decade and has achieved remarkable results. In 2005, the United Nations officially proposed the concept of "inclusive finance", defining it as "a financial system that can effectively and comprehensively provide services to all sectors and groups in society." The concept has since gradually expanded from microcredit to multi-layered and diversified financial services such as payments, remittances, deposits, insurance, and wealth management. This is more aligned with China's advocacy for developing a multi-layered, wide-coverage, and differentiated financial system. The Chinese government has actively supported the development of inclusive finance. In 2013, "developing inclusive finance" was first officially written into the Decision of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China on Several Major Issues Concerning Comprehensively Deepening Reform, marking the entry of inclusive finance into the public spotlight.

11. Paper: Building a Financial Power: The Second of the "Five Major Financial Tasks": People-oriented Nature of Inclusive Finance

Author: Mo Xiugen

Source: Financial View, First Half of February 2024

Abstract: This paper conducts an in-depth discussion on the high-quality development of inclusive finance and its people-centered orientation. The central government's proposal of a people-oriented

philosophy in finance clarifies both the purpose and necessity of advancing inclusive finance in China. The concept is multifaceted, encompassing the need to meet people's livelihood and production demands, fulfill social responsibilities, incorporate ecological considerations, and contribute to the realization of common prosperity. However, implementation of people-centered inclusive finance faces several challenges, including gaps between understanding and practice, the tension between small-scale, diversified demand and vertically specialized supply models, and conflicts between data governance and the development of digital inclusive finance. To promote the high-quality development of inclusive finance and truly realize its people-centered mission, the paper proposes several approaches: adopting a people-first strategy to balance the roles of government and market, building a robust inclusive finance ecosystem, reinforcing its social and ecological functions, strengthening digital governance and consumer protection, improving the theoretical framework, and expanding international cooperation. Ultimately, the core objective is to translate the people-centered philosophy into practice, effectively address financial exclusion, and foster inclusive social development.

12. Paper: Unblocking Financial Support for Urban-Rural Integrated Development

Author: Mo Xiugen

Source: China Rural Finance, Issue 14, 2024

Abstract: It was emphasized at the Third Plenary Session of the 20th Central Committee of the Communist Party of China that urban-rural integrated development is an inevitable requirement for Chinese-style modernization, with finance playing a pivotal role. To promote urban-rural integration, finance can act in multiple areas: optimizing the allocation of urban and rural financial resources to facilitate the integration of urban-rural factors and alleviate rural "hollowing-out" and "aging" issues; accelerating the urbanization of agricultural migrants and improving financial services for new urban residents; deepening land system reforms to protect peasants' land rights; and supporting rural industrial prosperity by guiding capital flows to rural areas and innovating financial products. Meanwhile, it is essential to improve the institutional mechanisms for financial support of urban-rural integration, deepen financial reforms, establish a rural financial system with "dual objectives", and implement differentiated regulation. Taking data platforms as a key leverage, efforts should be made to unblock information "arteries", strengthen data openness and sharing as well as collaborative governance, promote high-quality urban-rural integration, facilitate equal access to urban and rural financial services, and provide robust financial support for urban-rural integrated

development.

13. Paper: Preventing and Controlling Risks to Promote Green Transformation of Small and Medium-sized Banks

Author: Zhu Ruolei

Source: China Rural Finance, Issue 5, 2024

Abstract: While China's green finance has grown rapidly, green finance in small and medium-sized banks (SMBs) has developed slowly. In promoting green finance, SMBs face challenges: high pressure in risk management, difficulties in running capital business and achieving profit targets, unclear development directions, insufficient professional personnel and technical reserves, and imperfect incentive mechanisms and supporting measures. To prevent and control risks and promote the development of green finance, SMBs need to clarify their strategic plans of green development, advance green transformation at the strategic level, make up for shortcomings in professional talents and financial science and technology through multiple channels, attach importance to risk management in green transformation, strengthen the construction of institutional and organizational framework, improve internal management mechanisms, optimize green credit business management systems and operational processes, carry out innovation in green financial products, and promote the integrated development of green finance and inclusive finance. At the

same time, local governments and regulatory authorities should increase support, improve external incentive mechanisms, and facilitate the sustainable development of green financial businesses in SMBs.

14. Newspaper article: *Inclusive Insurance Will Become an Emerging Incremental Market*

Author: Xing Li

Source: China Banking and Insurance News, August 7, 2024, Page 9

Abstract: Although China has become a major global financial power, the penetration rate of its insurance industry remains lower than the world average, leaving significant development opportunities in inclusive insurance. Driven by policies, inclusive insurance in China has achieved steady growth. For example, home property insurance has gained attention due to rainstorm disasters in summer. However, its development faces challenges such as narrow coverage, product homogeneity, and insufficient innovation. To promote the high-quality inclusive insurance should adhere to principles of universality, public-benefit orientation, and innovativeness: embodying universality through defining the concept, connotation, and extension of inclusive insurance while advancing supply-side reforms in the insurance sector to meet diversified needs; highlighting the public-

benefit nature of products in line with China's insurance development stage; and embodying innovativeness through leveraging modern science and technology to support innovative, scenario-based products, online sales channels, and risk control. In the future, inclusive insurance is poised to become an emerging incremental market in the insurance industry.

15. Research Report: *Consumer Financial Health—From Conceptual Advocacy to Practical Exploration*

Author: Research Team of China Inclusive Finance Institute, School of Finance, Renmin University of China

Release Date: April 2024

Abstract: The report deeply examines the concept of financial health, its significance, and its impact on individuals, households, enterprises, and the broader economy. It argues that financial health extends the principles of inclusive finance, reflecting not only economic stability but also a sense of social responsibility. The report advances measurement methodologies by developing both a subjective financial health indicator system and a comprehensive financial health index, evaluating consumer financial health through an integrated analysis of survey responses and operational data.