

Newsletter - Issue for September 2025

Dear Members and Partners,

September was all about voice and visibility: aligning on our joint submission to regulators, advancing the Fintech Mapping Study, and lining up strategic events and partnerships that move the ecosystem forward. Thank you to everyone who contributed time and insight this month.

1. EAIF 2026 — Fintech Forward!

We're thrilled to announce that the East Africa Investment Forum (EAIF) 2026 will take place on March 26-27, 2026 in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

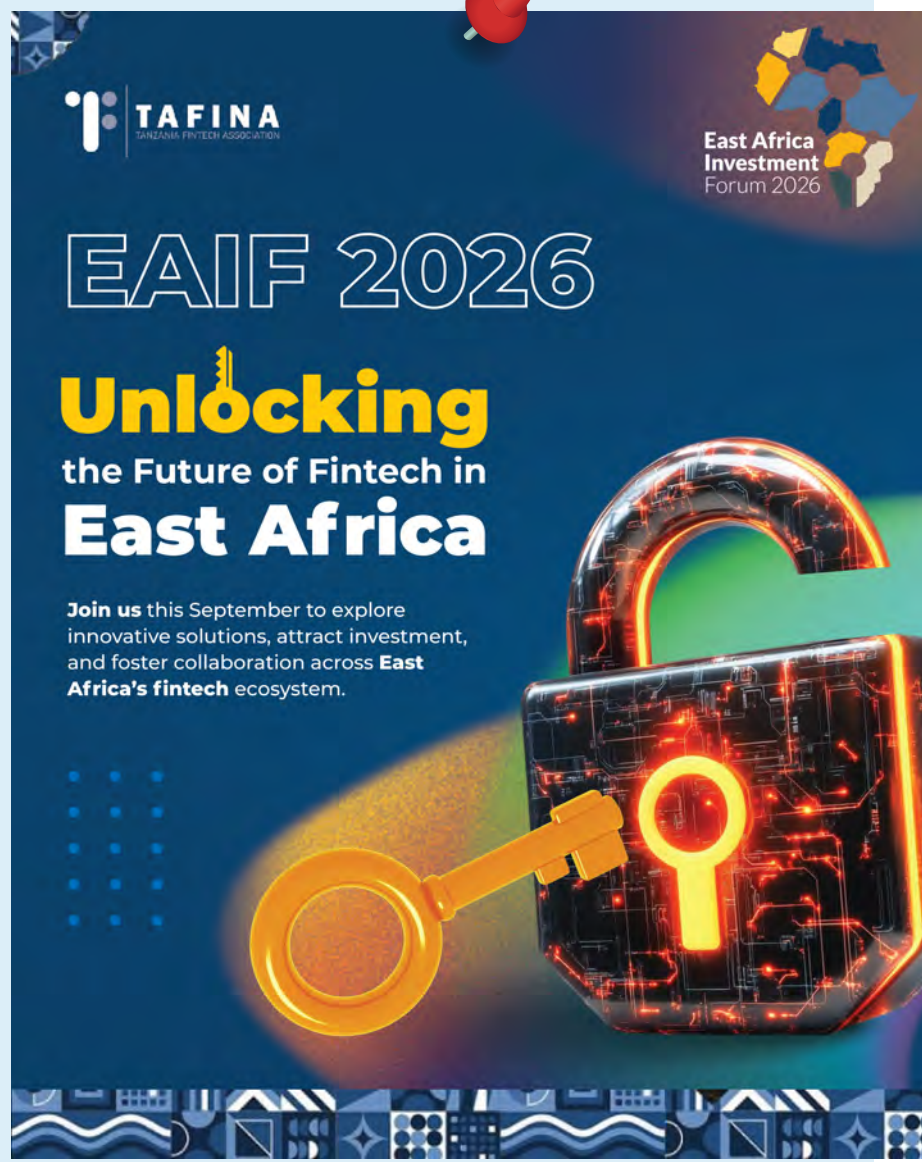
This year's theme is: "Fintech Forward: Innovation & Inclusion"

Forum Tracks & Themes

- ➔ Interoperability
- ➔ Cross-Border Payments
- ➔ AI, Cybersecurity & Fraud
- ➔ Digital Banking, Payments & Lending
- ➔ Stablecoins & Digital Assets
- ➔ Gaming & Fintech

What makes EAIF 2026 special?

- ➔ Exclusive regulator industry roundtables.
- ➔ Investor fintech matchmaking like never before.
- ➔ Regional & global thought leaders on stage.
- ➔ A platform to showcase East Africa as the fintech growth frontier.



If your organization wants to engage with the most dynamic players in East Africa's fintech space, this is the opportunity. Sponsoring EAIF 2026 means brand visibility, access to high-value stakeholders, speaking slots, exhibition booths, and more.

Sponsor EAIF 2026 and shape the future of fintech in the region:

➔ Kindly reach out through email events@tafina.or.tz, call 255754711911 or visit our website www.tafina.or.tz

Let's build the next frontier of fintech together.

2. Fintech Mapping Study – Still Ongoing!

Our Fintech & Startup Mapping Study for Tanzania is well underway. This important initiative will highlight the challenges, needs, and strengths of our ecosystem—from early-stage startups to scaling fintechs.

If you haven't yet participated, there's still time! We're still collecting contributions to ensure no voice is left out.

Take the Survey now

https://qualtricsxmssqkyr3qm.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4GWfKJzRQQJzwKG

Your input helps shape future policy, funding opportunities, and support mechanisms. Let's make it count.



3. Policy & Advocacy

At TAFINA, advocacy is at the heart of what we do. Each month, we engage directly with regulators, policymakers, and ecosystem partners to shape an environment where fintechs can thrive. By representing the collective voice of our members, we ensure industry challenges are addressed and opportunities for innovation are unlocked.

As a member, you don't just observe, you influence. You gain access to insider dialogues, strategic updates, and the ability to contribute to positions that shape the future of digital finance in Tanzania.

4. Fintech Spotlight: BoT Sandbox 2nd Cohort

The Bank of Tanzania (BoT) has opened applications for its second Fintech Regulatory Sandbox cohort. This initiative gives innovators the chance to test products, services, and business models not yet covered by existing regulations — in a controlled and supportive environment.

- Deadline: October 23, 2025
- Apply here: <https://frsp.bot.go.tz/>
- If your fintech is ready to experiment, scale, and prove new ideas, this is the platform to do it. We strongly encourage our members to apply and use this chance to work closely with the regulator.

5. Membership — Renew or Join TAFINA Today

Your membership is more than a badge, it's your seat at the table where Tanzania's fintech future is being shaped. By renewing or joining TAFINA, you gain:

- A voice in regulatory and policy advocacy.
- Access to exclusive networking and knowledge-sharing forums.
- Visibility and recognition within the fintech ecosystem.
- Early invitations to events, partnerships, and opportunities.
- If your renewal is due, now is the time. For any questions about your renewal status or invoice, feel free to reach out to us at info@tafina.or.tz.
- ➔ If you're not yet a member, join today and be part of the movement via <https://tafina.or.tz/>

Best regards,

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