representing various ministries and agencies of the Convergence Blended Finance Conference in EAIF has helped finance a new 390MW natural gas-fired power plant for Côte d'Ivoire. EAIF has contributed €36 million to the new Atinkou power station.

In January, the London Stock Exchange announced an investment of $50 million in Aidha, a social enterprise that provides courses to improve the financial literacy of foreign domestic workers and their families in Singapore. Aidha’s mission is to alleviate poverty by empowering domestic workers with the skills and knowledge to improve their financial wellbeing.

Aidha collaborates with domestic workers and employers to develop and implement educational and employment opportunities. By empowering domestic workers, Aidha works to break the cycle of poverty and improve living standards for workers and their families.

Aidha’s courses cover topics such as budgeting, saving, and financial planning, and provide participants with the tools and knowledge to take control of their financial future. Aidha also offers workshops on career development and job search, helping workers to improve their employment skills and increase their earning potential.

By investing in Aidha, the London Stock Exchange is supporting a social enterprise that is instrumental in addressing the needs of foreign domestic workers and contributing to the economic development of the region.

The role of an Investment Specialist is critical in the evaluation and selection of projects and investments. The specialist must have a deep understanding of the market, the industry, and the project's financials, as well as the ability to assess the feasibility and viability of the project. In addition, the specialist must possess strong analytical skills and a strong ability to use engineering knowledge to evaluate projects.

Projects carry unique risks that are different to other investments and projects. The type of risks involved are also different, with political, social, technical, and environmental risks being some of the biggest barriers. Old boy networks and other barriers are often present in the investment and finance market, limiting women from entering this market.

PIDG has played a crucial role in encouraging gender equity in the development industry, with the Gender Equity Pillar providing support to women and girls. PIDG has also supported the development of the Gender Equity Action Plan, which is a holistic approach to addressing gender issues in infrastructure projects.

PIDG's initiatives have helped to create a level playing field for women in the industry, with the aim of empowering women and girls. The initiatives have focused on three main pillars: Safeguarding women and girls from harm, Leveling the playing field, and Leading by Example.

PIDG has been instrumental in bringing the Ninh Thuan project to fruition, with the company's CEO, Lian Ponteres, play a critical role in the project. Lian has been involved from the beginning, and has been instrumental in bringing the project to completion.

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Finally, on behalf of PIDG and our companies, I would like to extend my thanks to all of our stakeholders for their continued support and collaboration. Our journey is far from over, and I am looking forward to continuing our work to improve the lives of women and girls around the world.

I am hoping that the world is soon on a journey to improve the lives of women and girls, and that we can all work together to make that journey a reality.