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The Economist on commitment savings for the poor

The Economist reviews a number of IPA projects on savings products for the poor, particularly commitment savings, which allow users to put away money where they can't access it until a predetermined time or goal is achieved. The article mentions a number of variations IPA has evaluated, from the Philippines, Malawi, Uganda, Kenya and Rome. The full article is here (may be gated) and an overview of how commitment savings works and IPA's plans for scaling it up are here.

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