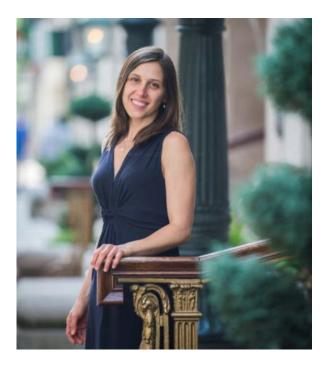


We are pleased to announce the appointment of Tamuna Loladze, Chief Operating Officer



"I am grateful for the opportunity to work with BiF's talented and entrepreneurial team to deliver real impact in communities that need jobs while helping our investors realize their dream of immigrating to the U.S."

As a native of the Republic of Georgia, Tamuna Loladze is well aware of the challenges and rewards of moving to the United States. She joins BiF with more than 12 years of financial sector and international development experience, spending most of her career at the World Bank Group in Washington, DC. There, she worked with high level government and private officials of emerging market countries, including Peru, Colombia, El Salvador, Uruguay, Nigeria, and Kenya, to develop capital markets for infrastructure, housing and small businesses. She holds a dual master's degree in business and international development from Georgetown University and a bachelor's degree in economics and business from Transylvania University. She is fluent in Russian and Georgian, with intermediate proficiency in Spanish.

As an active participant in the local immigrant community, Tamuna serves as Ambassador for the Americana World Community Center. In her spare time, she, her husband and their two sons love to cook together, discover new music, and explore the area's parks and hiking trails. She likes to swim, ski, and play the piano but her ideal vacation -- relaxing in a cabin on Lake Champlain with lots of books and no internet.