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NEW RELEASE

Evaluation Methodologies for Aid in Conflict

As discussed at EvalNet’s February meeting, knowledge and rigorous evidence around the role of external development partners in situations of conflict and fragility is still lacking. Through a series of case studies, this book analyses evaluation theory and practice in order to help fill this knowledge gap and advocates a realistic and rigorous approach to evaluating international engagement. The book was edited by EvalNet members from Denmark, Norway and the Secretariat, and builds on the Network’s guidance.

Latest Evaluation Reports on DEReC

Joint Evaluation of Support to the National Response to HIV/AIDS in Uganda 2007-2012
Published by: The Evaluation Department, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
This document reports on an evaluation of the joint support provided by Denmark, Ireland and USAID to the Ugandan response to HIV & AIDS from 2007 until 2012. The evaluation analyses the past practices of government, donors and civil society in the Uganda AIDS response to determine what has been successful, what has not, and why?

Rapid Review of Embedding Evaluation in DFID
Published by: DFID, United Kingdom
This rapid review follows the reforms started in 2010, when DFID decentralised responsibility for planning, commissioning and managing evaluations to country offices and other spending units. The review found that while the strategy has been extremely successful at scaling up demand and supply of evaluation across the organisation, it has not been evenly spread nor matched with commensurate capacities to ensure the best quality and utility of the evaluations produced.

Tool Kit on Gender Equality Results and Indicators
Published by: Asian Development Bank
Development practitioners can use this tool kit to ensure that gender perspectives are incorporated into development initiatives, and to monitor and evaluate gender equality results. It presents a menu of gender equality outcomes, results, and indicators that may be selected or adapted by users. The tool is designed for an audience of development policy makers, planners, implementers and evaluators.

Can We Demonstrate the Difference that Norwegian Aid Makes?
Published by: Norad, Norway
This report presents the findings, conclusions and recommendations from a study into the reasons why grants supported by the Norwegian Aid Administration are proving difficult to evaluate and therefore why it is hard to judge how successful Norway’s aid programme is. The purpose of the evaluation is to contribute to further learning and progress in the aid administration’s follow-up of the government’s demand for a strengthened focus on results.

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Have you participated in a great evaluation? Submit your story for a chance to have your evaluation published in an international collection of stories about evaluations that make a difference. Submissions until 5 May.

UN Women Independent Evaluation Office has launched the Gender Equality Evaluation Portal, an interactive hub for gender evaluations, in which 300+ evaluations are available for free access and where users can upload resources by registering.

This year marks the 20th commemoration of the Rwandan Genocide which lead to the launch of the Joint Evaluation of Emergency Assistance to Rwanda to draw lessons from the Rwanda experience.

Join web dialogue on the new website of Parliamentarians Forum for Development Evaluation with newly developed resources and publications on national evaluation policies in countries of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation.

EvalPartners’ recent publication “Advocating for Evaluation: A toolkit to develop advocacy strategies to strengthen an enabling environment for evaluation” is now available for download. It contains guidance on how to plan, implement, monitor and evaluate advocacy strategies for national evaluation policies.

The Network for Peacebuilding Evaluation was officially introduced on 13 March. The network serves to bridge the gap between academic researchers, and practitioners in the peacebuilding evaluation field.

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