



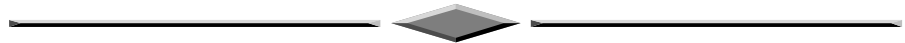
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1st Biennial Conference on:

“Renewing Development Evaluation – Aid and Beyond”

April 11-14, 2005

New Delhi, India

CONFERENCE CALL

The International Development Evaluation Association (IDEAS) is convening its 1st Biennial Conference on the theme **“Renewing Development Evaluation – Aid and Beyond”** in New Delhi, India between April 11-14, 2005. This conference will crystallize intellectual discourses and emerging practices among a growing constituency of commissioners, practitioners, and users of evaluation among countries in the developing and developed world. The Conference is designed to strengthen the practice of development evaluation, given the crucial role of evaluation in eliminating poverty, promoting human security and advancing the sustainability development across the world. It will examine new responses in methods, processes and outcomes shaping the practice of development evaluation, offer an opportunity to share innovative experiences in evaluation methods among practitioners, users and beneficiaries of development evaluation and explore new forms of partnerships and capacities needed to rethink, reshape and reform development evaluation.

During three days of global exchanges, participants at this conference will:

- examine the implications of the changing context and concepts of development for evaluation and the evaluation community
- assess new responses in methods, processes and outcomes shaping the practice of development evaluation
- share innovative experiences in evaluation methods among practitioners, users and beneficiaries of development evaluation; and,
- examine the new forms of partnerships and capacities needed to rethink, reshape and reform development evaluation.

A complimentary objective of the Conference is to enhance skills and capacities among young evaluators seeking entry into the field of development evaluation as well as engage experienced evaluators who wish to share and update their skills to meet new evaluation challenges. This will be done through a set of post-Conference skill-building workshops, roundtables and discussion cafés led by renowned resource persons that address new development evaluation challenges.

Participation in this conference is open to evaluation practitioners across the world and members of IDEAS. Developing country evaluators are especially encouraged to seek funding opportunities to attend the conference. Detailed conference procedures, instructions and a programme will be issued in October 2004.

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