Evaluation of the Paris Declaration Phase 2

Anglophone Africa Regional Workshop
Mangochi, Malawi
November 2009

Governance, Management, Procurement, Funding, Timing and Quality Standards

Joakim Molander

Evaluation of the Paris Declaration

Governance & management structure

Principles:

- Structure should allow appropriate involvement, cooperation and ownership of main stakeholders
- Structure should safeguard the independence, credibility and quality of the evaluation
- Structure needs to be conform with 'good practices' for joint evaluation
- Should allow an efficient evaluation process

Country Reference Group

Should include major stakeholders from government, donors, civil society and possibly academia. Its purpose is to ensure stakeholders' participation and buy-in to the evaluation process and results and to assure the independence of the evaluation. It will

- Endorse detailed design of country study
- Oversee team selection
- Serve as resource for country evaluation teams
- Review draft evaluation products for quality, credibility and clarity

National Coordinator

The National Coordinator will be responsible for initiating, facilitating, contracting and managing the country level evaluation as well as for providing feedback to overall management and reference group. He/she will:

- Establish the in-country reference/advisory group.
- Develop specific ToR for the country level evaluations
- Contract consultants for the country level evaluations
- Sign off on the country level evaluation report
- Submit the evaluation report to the Core Evaluation team
- Act as in-country focal point for contact to the IRG, MG and CET

Team Selection Criteria

- Multidisciplinary
- Professional competence
- Experienced
- Gender balanced
- National and regional/international expertise
- Independent

Contracting & Financing

By national procurement procedures

Financing:

Indicative budget: € 80.000 or \$ 120.000

- From national sources/donors
- From Trust Fund (PDE Secretariat)
- Direct funding from Donor(s) Eval. Depts.

Funding Sources

Ghana

Canada

Malawi

Trust Fund (Germany)

Mozambique

Finland

South Africa

National sources

Uganda

Austria

Zambia

Timing

It is essential to deliver the Synthesis Report well before HLF 4 to feed into preparations, that means around May 2011. Therefore

- Country and donor/agency evaluations must be finalised by December 2010
- Draft reports (emerging findings) must be ready by October 2010
- Country and Donor/agency evaluations must start by March 2010
- Evaluation team procurement and contracting must start now

DAC Quality Standards (2009)

- Improve quality
- Improve credibility
- Improve basis for meta evaluation
- Improve basis for joint evaluation
- Improve harmonisation
- Improve capacity building

Process and Product

- General considerations
- Purpose, planning and design
- Implementation and reporting
- Follow up and use

General Considerations

- Free and open evaluation process
- Evaluation Ethics
- Partnership
- Co-ordination and alignment
- Capacity Development
- Quality control

Purpose, planning and design

- Rationale and purpose
- Objectives and scope
- Evaluability
- Stakeholder involvement
- Joint evaluation
- Evaluation Questions
- Evaluation Criteria
- Approach and methodology
- Resources
- Governance and management

Implementation

- Evaluation team skills and procurement
- Team's independence
- Stakeholder consultation
- Within time and budget

Evaluation Report

- Clarity
- Context and intervention logic explained
- Methodology clearly explained
- Limitations acknowledged
- Validity and reliability of information
- Questions answered
- Clarity of analysis
- Disagreements within team acknowledged
- Stakeholders comments incorporated

Follow up, use and learning

- Timely, relevant and useful
- Response to and follow up on recommendations
- Planned and targeted dissemination