



News· Development Evaluation

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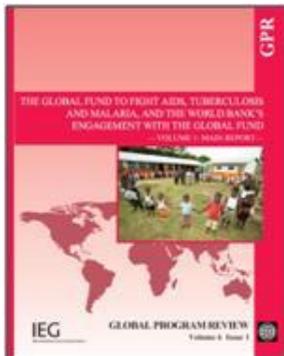
Farmers working in rice field, Bandung, Indonesia (Jisse Kranen 2009)

FOOD SECURITY

With food security rising to the top of development agendas, the DAC EVALNET decided to take stock of evaluation evidence. [A systematic review](#), commissioned by IOB Netherlands, examines evidence on the impact of interventions aimed at improving food security through agriculture production, value chain development, market reform and land tenure. The findings are summarised in the Network's latest Evaluation Insights:

[Read Evaluation Insights #5 on Food Security](#)
[DEReC FrontPage focuses on Food security](#)

RECENT EVALUATIONS ON DEREK



The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Published by the [Independent Evaluation Group](#),
 World Bank

Since its creation in 2002, this Global Fund has become the largest of the 120 global and regional partnership programs of the World Bank. The review found that the Fund's Country Coordinating Mechanisms had successfully brought country-level stakeholders together to submit grant proposals to the Fund, but have lacked the authority and the resources to exercise effective oversight of grant implementation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more news and resources on Development Evaluation:
www.oecd.org/dac/evaluation

AFD-EUDN Conference "**Evaluation and its Discontents: Do we learn from experience in development?**" 26 March 2012, Paris, France. [Learn more](#)

Evaluating budget support: Workshop on the new approach and discussion of recent findings. 21-22 March 2012, Brussels, Belgium. [Find out more](#)



Activity Based Financial Flows in UN System

Published by Norad

There has been a significant increase in the past decade in donor flows through multilateral aid agencies, in the form of both untied and tied contributions. Revenues exceeded expenditures for most UN agencies over the period from 2001-2009. To gain better insights on this issue, the study recommends a review of donor monitoring practices, based partly on analysis of samples of projects.



Evaluation of the European Commission support to Human Rights

Published by the European Commission

The track record of the EC in promoting human rights as a 'core value' of the Union in its external action has been mixed over the past decade. The EC has made relevant contributions to promoting this agenda at various levels through the use of funding and non-funding instruments; yet its action has also been structurally hampered in terms of results/impact by several systemic constraints.



Evaluation of the Danish Engagement in and around Somalia (2006-2010)

Published by Danida

Danida did achieve a good level and range of engagement over the evaluation period; it made sustained efforts to extend its assistance to each of the three Somalia zones and remained committed to make aid more effective. Sustainability was however a long way off: local partners were yet to be empowered to take on more responsibility, whereas management of community-driven projects remained firmly in the hands of the implementing partners.

Podcast by Independent Evaluation, Asian Development Bank "[How Communication Contributes to Project and Program Success and Failure](#)".

UKES Annual Evaluation Conference: Evaluation for results – what counts? Who stands to gain? The conference will take place 16 March 2012. [Learn more](#)

2nd **call for submissions** for the [European Evaluation Society Conference](#) to be held October 2012

Live UNICEF **webinar with Dr. Michael Quinn Patton** "How to evaluate interventions in complex dynamic environments". [Find out more](#)

COMING SOON

The **summary record** of the recent EVALNET meeting in Paris will be shared shortly. In the meantime, browse room documents and presentations [here](#).

Updating member evaluation plans database: We will soon be contacting member agencies for their work programmes...

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