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Extracts from the In-Depth Evaluation of the Development Assistance Committee

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“Two DAC bodies, the DAC Network on Development Evaluation and the DAC Working Party on Aid Effectiveness, have consistently produced **high quality products** since 2003. By contrast, the DAC Network on Poverty Reduction and the DAC Network on Environment and Development Co-operation, have not produced any Output Results over the same timeframe that are broadly considered as being of high quality by DAC Members’ policymakers, though horizontal and the thematic products to which they have been contributors are widely appreciated by policymakers working in the policy fields of trade, the environment, etc.”

“In the context of this positive overall performance, **a number of Output Results stand out as being particularly effective**, having at least a medium impact on policy in more than 90% of DAC Members (in the most recent year of production for multiannual Output Results):

- Good practices on aid effectiveness (WP-EFF);
- Good practices on evaluation (DAC Network on Development Evaluation);
- Products in the area of Peer Reviews (DAC);
- Policy guidance for donors on using aid effectively to promote economic growth and poverty reduction (POVNET)
- Good practices on harmonised and aligned donor practices (WP-EFF).”

“An analysis of the extent to which capital-based delegates participate in meetings of DAC sub-bodies provides gives rise to three categories of sub-bodies, i.e. where participation is rising, steady or falling over time.”, “In the case of both the Working Party on Statistics and the DAC Network on Development Evaluation, **capital-based delegate participation** has been high (over 91% in the first instance and 87% in the second) and steady during the 2003-06 period.”, “At the level of DAC networks, GOVNET and the DAC Network on Development Evaluation are areas of work that are generating a rising interest in the first instance and a consistently high interest in the second.”