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Partnership in Development Evaluation - Learning and Accountability

Workshop organised by France and the DAC Working Party on Aid Evaluation

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This document presents the objectives and themes of the workshop organised by the French Ministry of Economy, Finance and Industry in co-operation with the DAC Working Party on Aid Evaluation

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PRESENTATION OF THE WORKSHOP

1. Both within the development community at large and the general public, there is a growing interest in and demand for evaluation of the results and the effectiveness of development assistance, measured in an independent and credible way. This is both a challenge and an opportunity for evaluation, as it is the key tool used in seeking to achieve more solid results and a better use of experience to improve future assistance projects and programmes.
2. The Working Party on Aid Evaluation (WP-EV) of the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) has decided to share and exchange its knowledge, experience and approaches in the field of evaluation with the various evaluation communities.
3. For this reason, the French Ministry of Finance, Economy and Industry is organising and hosting this workshop, in collaboration with the Working Party on Aid Evaluation, in Paris on 25-26 March 2003.

Objectives and themes of the Workshop

4. The general objective of the Workshop is to share experiences and approaches, strengthen co-operation between the various partners engaged in the evaluation of development and thereby improve the relevance and effectiveness of development assistance and its evaluation.
5. The discussions will be organised around four themes:
 - a) The evaluation criteria, practices and approaches of the different development partners.
 - b) The new challenges facing development and evaluation.
 - c) Evaluation as a means of ensuring accountability.
 - d) Means of strengthening evaluation capacities and co-operation between the various evaluation communities.

Participants

6. This workshop will bring together, for the first time at this level, professionals in the field of the evaluation of development assistance. It is expected that some 300 persons will attend. Participants will come from three types of communities:
 - The relevant agencies or ministries of OECD Member countries (virtually all countries will be represented by two or three participants),
 - Multilateral organisations: United Nations agencies (some twelve of these have already confirmed their participation), the World Bank and regional development banks, etc.

- Civil society organisations:
 - The major international NGOs will attend: Handicap International, *Terre des Hommes*, Oxfam, CAFOD, Action Aid, Save the Children, Cordaid, Misereor, etc.
 - French NGOs will also be represented, and have prepared their participation in a pre-workshop held in December
 - Private foundations (such as the *Fondation de France* and the Eurasia Foundation)
 - Trade union organisations such as TUAC.
7. The participants will also include evaluation specialists working in recipient countries.

Programme

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<p>25 March</p> <p><u>9:00-9:30</u> Registration</p> <p><u>9:30-10:00</u> Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome by Mr. Francis Mer, French Minister of Economy, Finance and Industry • Address by Mr. J-C Faure, Chairman of DAC • Introduction by the Chairman of WP-EV <p><u>10:00-13:00</u> Session 1 Evaluation practices</p>	<p>26 March</p> <p><u>9:00-10:00</u> Session 2 (continued) Synthesis of work conducted in sub-groups</p> <p><u>10:00-13:00</u> Session 3 Evaluation as a means to accountability</p> <p><u>10:00-11:15</u> Presentation of various approaches to accountability</p> <p><u>11:30-13:00</u> Evaluation of NGOs – Feedback and monitoring</p>
<p><u>14:30-18:30</u> Session 2 (divided into sub-groups) New development challenges and evaluation: Participatory evaluation, internalisation of evaluation results, impact assessment, evaluation of humanitarian or conflict-related assistance.</p> <p><u>18:30-20:00</u> Cocktail</p>	<p><u>14:30-18:30</u> Session 4 Collaboration and joint work between the various evaluation communities</p> <p><u>14:30-16:15</u> Enhancing evaluation capacity</p> <p><u>16:30-18:00</u> Enhancing collaboration and joint work</p> <p><u>18:00-18:30</u> Concluding remarks</p>