



THE 1ST Africa

MONITORING & EVALUATION INDABA

PROGRAMME

THE INDABA AT A GLANCE

What?

The 1st Africa Monitoring and Evaluation

When?

30 October – 01 November 2017

Where?

Birchwood Hotel & OR Tambo
Conference Centre, Gauteng, South Africa

Theme?

Opportunities and challenges of using evidence
from M&E to accelerate economic development
and employment in Africa

Organizers?

DPME and UN-SA

Main theme

Opportunities and Challenges of Using Evidence from Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) to Accelerate Economic Development and Employment in Africa.

Aim of the Indaba

The Indaba seeks to promote knowledge exchange and learning from experience among African governments and key stakeholders in the M&E space to use evidence from M&E to contribute to economic growth and employment.

Expected outcomes of the Africa M&E Indaba

1. Enhanced learning and common understanding of how M&E can be used to address economic development; employment and inequality facing African countries.
2. Strengthened use of information (data, statistics) and evidence from M&E in policy, planning, programme design or implementation and development impact (e.g. Sustainable Development Goals – SDGs), African Agenda 2063, Country Development Plans, and etc.)
3. Improved understanding of the importance and benefits of championing M&E by political leadership.
4. Platform for building partnerships and networking opportunities for the use of evidence to enhance human development created.





DAY I (MONDAY 30 OCTOBER 2017): OPENING SESSION

Programme Director: Ms Mpumi Mpofu: Director-General of the Department of Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation (DPME), South Africa

PLENARY I: Opening session and panel discussion on the main theme of the event			
Time	Item	Responsibility	Session Description
09h00 – 09h30	Welcoming and opening remarks	Ms Mpumi Mpofu: DG, DPME	Opening of the Indaba by welcoming the delegates.
09h30 – 10h15	Opening Key Note Address	Mr. Gana Fofang: United Nations Resident Coordinator in South Africa	Resident Coordinator responsible for all UN-SA agencies delivers his Key Note Address.
10h15 – 11h00	Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Adeline Sibanda: President of the African Evaluation Association (AfrEA) Dr Asghar Adelzadeh, Director & Chief Economic Modeller, Applied Development Research Solutions; California, US 	Remarks to set the tone of the Indaba.
11h00 – 11h30	Break		

Day I: First Panel Session; Chairperson: Ms Mpumi Mpofu; Director-General - DPME

PANEL I: Reflection on the Indaba theme and Key Note Address			
Time	Item	Responsibility	Session Description
11h30 – 13h00	First Panel Discussion	Panellists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Tshediso Matona – Secretary of Planning, SA Ms Nana Serwah Amoako: Special Advisor to the Minister of Monitoring & Evaluation, Office of the President, Ghana Dr Bernd Mueller, Employment Specialist, ILO Decent Work/CO Mr Chris Wake; DFiD (UK Aid) Mr Pramod Mohanlal, Managing Director, Yowzit, SA 	Reflecting on the Indaba theme: 'Opportunities and Challenges of Using Evidence from Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) to Accelerate Economic Development and Employment in Africa' – drawing from experience of own organisations.
13h00 – 14h00	LUNCH		



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Day 1 (Monday 30 October 2017): Parallel Sessions 1

BREAK (3 parallel sessions per topic)		
Parallel Sessions 1.1: Opportunities and Challenges of Using Evidence from M&E to Accelerate Economic Development and Employment in Africa		
14h00 – 17h00		
M&E ecosystem	Harnessing the demographic dividend	Innovations in data: The potential of big data and administrative data for decision-making
COCKTAIL RECEPTION & ENTERTAINMENT WITH MINISTER RADEBE 18h00 – 21h00 All are invited		

Parallel Session 1.1: M&E Ecosystems

Time	Item	Responsibility
M&E Ecosystem 1: Public Sector M&E Systems Facilitator: Ms Ledule Bosch; Department of Public Service Administration (DPSA), South Africa		
14h00 – 14h15	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Ms Ledule Bosch
14h15 – 14h35	Main Speaker	Prof. Arunaselam Rasappan, President of the Asia-Pacific Evaluation Association (APEA) (Malaysia)
14h35 – 14h40	Questions from audience	Facilitator: Ms Ledule Bosch
14h40 – 15h15	PANEL DISCUSSION to respond to issues raised by main speaker and share practical experience from own organizations/programs	Panelists Dr Richard Banda (Zambia) Mr Abdoulaye Gounou (Benin) Ms Mai M. ElDammal (Egypt) Mr David Molapo (South Africa)
15h15 – 15h45	Questions from audience	Facilitator: Ms Ledule Bosch
15h45 – 16h15	Discussion of key issues	Facilitator: Ms Ledule Bosch
16h15 – 17h00	Wrap-up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Ms Ledule Bosch
M&E Ecosystem 2: Global M&E Ecosystem Facilitator: Dr Keiron Crawley, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa		
14h00 – 14h15	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Dr Keiron Crawley
14h15 – 14h35	African and Global M&E Systems	Ms Candice Morkel: CLEAR, AA & Southern Africa Regional Representative to AfrEA Board
14h35 – 14h45	Q&A on presentation	Facilitator: Dr Keiron Crawley
14h45 – 15h00	BREAK	
15h00 – 16h15	Panel Session	Panelists Dr Victor Naidu, SAMEA Ms Adeline Sibanda, AfrEA Ms Caitlin Blaser-Mapitsa, CLEAR-AA
16h15 – 16h30	Q&A on Panel Session	Facilitator: Dr Keiron Crawley
16h30 – 17h00	Wrap up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Dr Keiron Crawley



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Parallel Session 1.2: Harnessing the Demographic Dividend

Facilitator: Mr Gilles Virgili, UNFPA South Africa

Time	Item	Responsibility
14h00 – 14h15	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Mr Gilles Virgili
14h15 – 15h15	Overview of the Demographic Dividend Program	Mr Reginald Chima, UNFPA East and Southern Africa Region
15h15 – 15h30	Q&A on presentation	Facilitator: Mr Gilles Virgili
15h30 – 16h30	Group Work to assess readiness to evaluate the potential for demographic dividend	Countries clustered into groups
16h30 – 17h00	Wrap up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Mr Gilles Virgili

Parallel Session 1.3: Innovations in data: The potential of big data and administrative data for decision-making

Facilitator: Ms Kirsten Pearson; Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC), National Treasury, SA

Time	Item	Responsibility
14h00 – 14h15	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Ms Kirsten Pearson
14h15 – 14h45	The use of big data and data analytics for development purposes	Dr Quentin Williams, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), South Africa
14h45 – 15h00	Q&A on presentation	Facilitator: Ms Kirsten Pearson
15h00 – 15h15	BREAK	
15h15 – 15h45	The use of administrative data for purposes of evaluation	Dr Hermi Boraine, Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC), National Treasury, South Africa
15h45 – 16h00	Q&A on presentation	Facilitator: Ms Kirsten Pearson
16h00 – 16h30	The use of civic technology to monitor service delivery	Mr Pramod Mohanlal, Yozwit, South Africa
16h30 – 16h45	Q&A on presentation	Facilitator: Ms Kirsten Pearson
16h45 – 17h10	Panel discussion	
17h10 – 17h15	Wrap up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Ms Kirsten Pearson



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DAY 2 (TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER 2017): FEEDBACK FROM DAY 1 (MORNING)

Chairperson: Ms. Fatou Leigh, Senior Economist, UNDP South Africa

PANEL 2: Feedback Session from Day 1 parallel discussions			
Time	Item	Responsibility	Session Description
09h00 – 09h15	Feedback: 1st parallel session M&E ecosystem	Rapporteur	Key highlights and recommendations
09h15 – 09h45	Discussion		
09h45 – 10h00	Feedback: 2nd parallel session Harnessing the demographic dividend	Rapporteur	Key highlights and recommendations
10h00 – 10h30	Discussion		
10h30 – 11h00	TEA BREAK		
11h00 – 11h15	Feedback: 3rd parallel session Innovations in data: The potentials of big data and administrative data for decision-making	Rapporteur	Key highlights and recommendations
11h15 – 11h45	Discussion		
11h45 – 12h00	Wrap up	Chairperson	
12h00 – 13h00	LUNCH		

Day 2 (Tuesday 31 October 2017): Parallel Sessions 2

BREAK (3 parallel sessions per topic)		
Parallel Sessions 2.1: Opportunities and Challenges of Using Evidence from M&E to Accelerate Economic Development and Employment in Africa		
13h15 – 16h15		
Use of evaluations	Gender, youth, children, and vulnerable groups (leaving no one behind)	Fore-sighting and modelling for decision-making

Parallel Session 2.1: Use of Evaluations

Facilitator: Ms Nana Serwah Amoako, Special Advisor to President, Ghana

Time	Item	Responsibility
13h15 – 13h30	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Ms Nana Serwah Amoako
13h30 – 14h00	Plenary session Government-wide use of evaluations: successes and challenges Use of evaluations for economic development and employment at regional level	Ms Rosemary Waya Mugeni (Office of the President), Uganda Mr Darryl Crossman, ILO, South Africa
14h00 – 14h15	Discussions	Facilitator: Ms Nana Serwah Amoako
14h15 – 15h15	African Café style group work Sub-themes Evaluation and culture Role of donors/power relations Incentives for use in government	Table Hosts Ms Angel Bester, South Africa Dr Richard Banda, Zambia Ms Vivienne Simwa, Kenya Ms Adeline Sibanda, AfrEA
15h15 – 14h30	BREAK	
15h30 – 16h00	Plenary Session – group feedback	Facilitator: Ms Nana Serwah Amoako
16h00 – 16h15	Wrap up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Ms Nana Serwah Amoako



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Parallel Session 2.2: Gender, Youth, Children, and Vulnerable Groups

Facilitator: Ms Anne Githuku-Shongwe, Representative, UN Women South Africa Multi-Country Office

Time	Item	Responsibility
13h15 – 13h30	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Ms Anne Githuku-Shongwe
13h30 – 14h15	Country and regional experiences on gender, youth, children and vulnerable groups	Presenters: Ms Sifiso Dube, Gender Links Ms Fiona Clark, DfID Mr Cyuma Mbayiha, UN Women Western and Central Africa Regional Office Ms Christine Byaruhanga, South African Social Policy Research Institute
14h15 – 14h45	Plenary discussion and Q&A based on presentations	Facilitator: Ms Anne Githuku-Shongwe
14h45 – 15h30	Group Work Concrete steps that can ensure no one is left behind in terms of data and M&E looking at gender, youth, children and vulnerable groups	
15h30 – 15h45	BREAK	
15h45 – 16h00	Plenary Session – group feedback	Facilitator: Ms Anne Githuku-Shongwe
16h00 – 16h15	Wrap up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Ms Anne Githuku-Shongwe

Parallel Session 2.3: Fore-sighting and Modelling for Decision Making

Facilitator: Mr Coffi Agossou, ILO

Time	Item	Responsibility
13h15 – 13h30	Context and guidance to delegates on approaches to the stream	Facilitator: Mr Coffi Agossou
13h30 – 13h45	Expert presentation on modelling	Presenter: Mr Osten Chulu, UNDP
13h45 – 14h30	Expert presentation on fore-sighting	Presenters: Mr Bongani Matomela, UNDP Dr Asghar Adelzadeh, Applied Development Research Solutions, California, (US)
14h30 – 14h45	Q&A based on presentation	Facilitator: Mr Coffi Agossou
14h45 – 15h15	Panel discussion Country presentations on use of models and fore-sighting	Panelist 1: South Africa Panelist 2: Congo Panelist 3: Zimbabwe
15h15 – 15h30	BREAK	
15h30 – 16h15	Questions and comments	Facilitator: Mr Coffi Agossou
16h15 – 16h30	Wrap up of discussions and closure	Facilitator: Mr Coffi Agossou



DAY 3 (WEDNESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2017): FEEDBACK FROM DAY 2 (MORNING)

Chairperson: Mr Stanley Ntakumba, Chief Director, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME)

PANEL 3: Feedback Session from Day 2 parallel discussions, review of Indaba technical outcomes			
Time	Item	Responsibility	Session Description
09h00 – 09h15	Feedback: 4th parallel session Use of evaluations	Rapporteur	Key highlights and recommendations
09h15 – 09h45	Discussion		
09h45 – 10h00	Feedback: 5th parallel session Gender, youth, children, and vulnerable groups (leaving no one behind)	Rapporteur	Key highlights and recommendations
10h00 – 10h30	Discussion		
10h30 – 11h00	TEA BREAK		
11h00 – 11h15	Feedback: 6th parallel session Fore-sighting and modelling for decision making	Rapporteur	Key highlights and recommendations
11h15 – 11h45	Discussion		
11h45 – 12h45	Review of draft technical outcome document	Chairperson	Indaba technical outcomes
12h45 – 13h00	Recommendations and way forward	ALL	Key recommendations
13h00 – 13h15	Closure	Ms Mpumi Mpofu: Director- General; DPME Mr. Gana Fofang: UN Resident Coordinator in South Africa	
LUNCH			
END OF THE INDABA			



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ABOUT THE PARTNERS OF THE INDABA

The Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation



The Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME) in South Africa (in the Presidency) is mandated to coordinate planning to ensure policy coherence and to support the implementation of the National Development Plan (NDP) and Vision 2030. DPME also monitors and evaluates the progress on the implementation of the South African government policies, plans and programmes towards the NDP goals of addressing poverty, unemployment and inequality aligned to the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs 2030) (<http://www.dpme.gov.za>).

United Nations-South Africa (UN-SA M&E Group)



As multi-lateral bodies, the UN agencies based in South Africa play a significant role in supporting South Africa and other countries in the region to achieve the SDGs as coordinated by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG). They have a Monitoring and Evaluation Group that seeks to partner with DPME in terms of ensuring that M&E is used to make a difference within the country and the Continent at large, as well as globally (<http://www.un.org.za>).

Statistics South Africa



Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) is the national statistical office of South Africa with the goal of producing timely, accurate, and official statistics in order to advance economic growth, development and democracy. To this end, Stats SA produces official demographic, economic, and social censuses and surveys. StatsSA is also responsible for the SDGs in South Africa in collaboration with the UN-SA and other key stakeholders (<http://www.statssa.gov.za>).

Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC), National Treasury



The Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC) is an agency of the National Treasury, established to support public finance management through professional advisory services, programme and project management and transaction support. GTAC promotes public sector capacity building through partnerships with academic and research institutions, civil society and business organizations. (<http://www.gtac.gov.za>).

Centre for Evaluation on Evaluation Results (CLEAR-AA)



CLEAR is a global initiative aimed at strengthening developing countries' capacities in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) and performance management (PM) to support a focus on results and evidence-based decision-making. CLEAR-AA responds to increasing government and civil society demands for practical and applied M&E and PM capacity-building and to the current limited availability of relevant services in many developing countries in the region. This initiative is being supported by SIDA, the Inter-American Development Bank, the African Development Bank, the Rockefeller Foundation, the UK Department for International Development, and the World Bank Group. (<http://clear-aa.co.za>).

Twende Mbele



Twende Mbele is a partnership project between South Africa (DPME), Uganda, Benin, Centre for Learning on Evaluation and Results Anglophone Africa (CLEAR – AA) and Independent Development Evaluation (IDEV) at the African Development Bank (AfDB) that aims to increase demand, sharing, learning and collaboration on M&E in Africa. The programme focusses on the areas of: growing the demand for use of M&E; sharing M&E experiences; learning and capacity development around M&E; and collaboration on the development of M&E tools. Twende Mbele uses a peer learning model to build national evaluation systems, and is currently engaging with 12 countries through peer review opportunities in Africa. (<http://www.twendembele.org>).



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