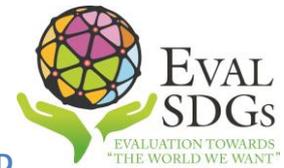


# EVALSDGs

**EVALSDGs IS A NETWORK FORMED TO ADD VALUE AND LEARNING TO SDGs, AS WELL AS SUPPORT PROCESSES TO INTEGRATE EVALUATION INTO NATIONAL AND GLOBAL SDGs REVIEW SYSTEMS. THE NETWORK IS MADE UP OF SKILLED POLICY MAKERS, INSTITUTIONS AND PRACTITIONERS WITH A SHARED INTEREST IN EVALUATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.**



## EVALSDGs BACKGROUND

From 2000-2015, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) focused global efforts and spurred progress towards achievement of human development goals around the world. Much has been achieved, but a key criticism of the MDGs was that there was insufficient attention paid to generating evidence on achievements and learning from challenges.

In September 2015, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted by world leaders. Progress towards "The world we want" - the headline of the SDGs extensive consultative process - requires efforts at every level to turn aspirations into realities. The SDGs have a strong emphasis on each national government defining and measuring their own objectives and targets. Evaluation practice provides a means to raise the voice of stakeholders and local people in SDG initiatives. It helps to measure and demonstrate achievement and challenges, ultimately contributing to improved accountability and decision-making, stronger leadership, as well as learning and innovation.

## WHY EVALSDGs?

The International Organization for Cooperation in Evaluation (IOCE) in partnership with the United Nations Evaluation Group (UNEG) formed the EvalPartners network in March 2012. The IOCE brings together Voluntary Organizations for Professional Evaluation (VOPEs) from around the world. EvalPartners links VOPEs and other partners that work to strengthen evaluation theory and practice.

EvalPartners has established EVALSDGs in response to the need to embed effective monitoring and evaluation in the SDGs. EVALSDGs aims to form a strong evaluation partnership to inform, support, measure and assess development efforts around the SDGs. As a network of interested and skilled policy makers, institutions and practitioners who advocate for the evaluability of the performance indicators of the new SDGs, EVALSDGs can add value to both the evaluation sector and to the SDG implementation and review processes.

## WHAT DO WE WANT TO ACHIEVE?

The EVALSDGs network seeks to promote evaluation activities around the SDGs and to orient and support governments and the evaluation community to work on the SDGs agenda in line with the following objectives:

1. Provide a platform for dialogue, advocacy and knowledge generation in relation to evaluation and the SDGs
2. Engage with stakeholders that are engaged in evaluation activities relevant to the SDGs
3. Assist in strengthening the institutional capacities of VOPEs and evaluators to conduct evaluations in support of national SDGs implementation and review process
4. Foster inter-linkages and interaction between evaluation initiatives that aim to strengthen accomplishment of the SDGs

## Proposed Initiatives

The EVALSDGs is developing a roadmap towards the above objectives. The proposed initiatives include: development of easily accessible information, workshops and events to build evaluation capacity of evaluators, commissioners of evaluations and national governments; innovative pilot activities related to evaluation of the SDGs; and encouragement for champions to publish experiences related to SDG evaluation, amongst others.

## HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

EVALSDGs is currently seeking sponsors and partners, and would welcome contact from interested organizations who would like to be part of this emerging global network.

EVALSDGs thanks Community Systems Foundation (CSF) and Data For All for development of the EVALSDGs logo.

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