

Independent Office of Evaluation

Evaluation Cooperation Group

Spring meeting

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Asserting independence and promoting engagement for better evaluation use

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Safeguards to IOE's independence

Three dimensions of independence

Organizational

Avoidance of conflicts of interest

Behavioural

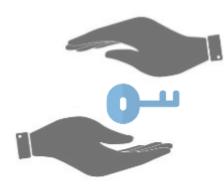




- IOE reports to the Executive Board (EB)
- Only the EB can appoint and remove the Director IOE (single tenure, 6 years, no reemployment by IFAD)
- EB and Gov Council approve IOE's work programme and budget
- Director IOE clears reports without need of external authorization
- Director IOE has autonomy in selecting and managing staff

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From 2019 Peer Review to 2021 Revised Evaluation Policy



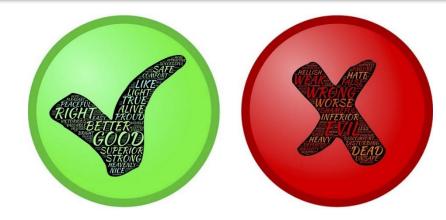
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Peer Review 2019

• Led by an ECG member

 Encouraged: (i) taking a wholeorganization perspective of evaluation; (ii) enhance collaboration between self and independent evaluation





Revised Evaluation Policy

- Prepared by a joint task force: Management and IOE
- Covering both self and independent Evaluation
- Institutional features that protect
 Independence kept intact
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Enhanced Collaboration with Management

...requires commitments from both sides... Engage with Management in work programme planning

Planning of self and independent evaluations to be presented to EC and EB

Joint development of the new Evaluation Manual

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Cooperate on capacity building

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Consult with divisions on evaluation designs

> Engage more with Management at specific steps and beyond formalities

Learning events, including joint events

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Enhanced global engagement in 2022

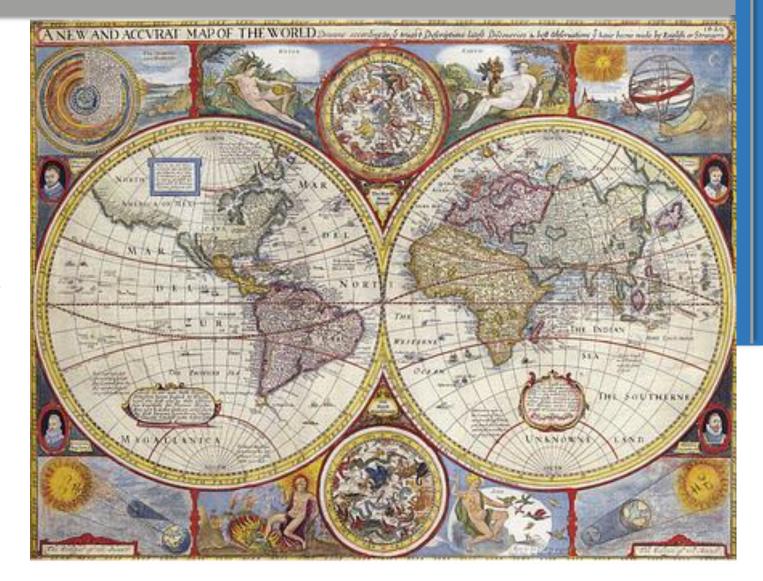
Country learning workshops



IOE staff

2 Corporate learning events invited to deliver presentations in international events

2 International seminars hosted by IOE



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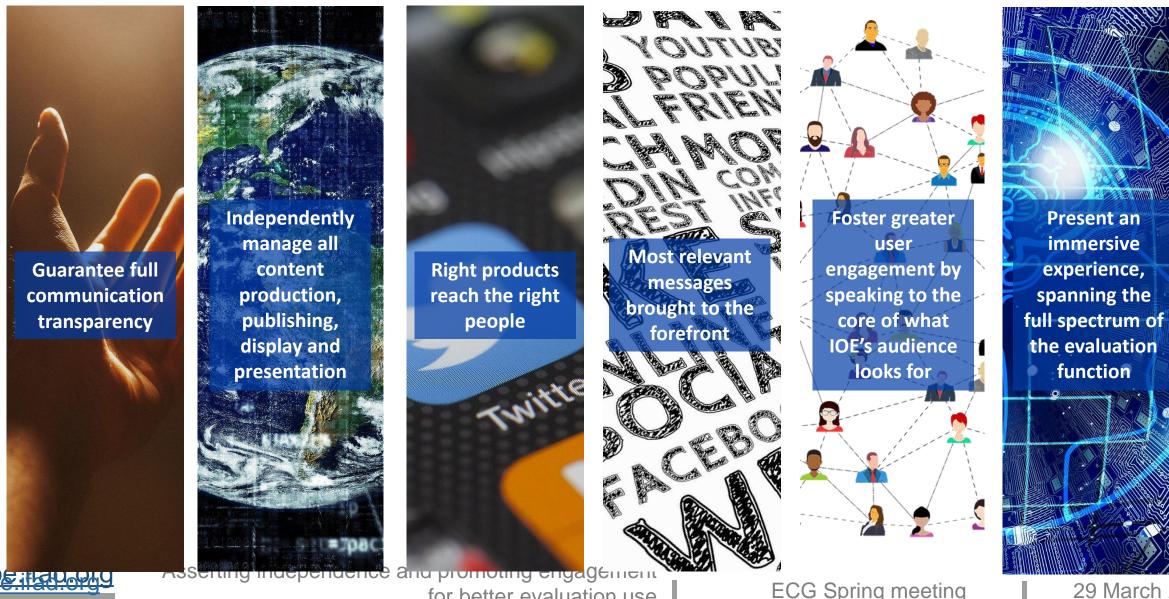
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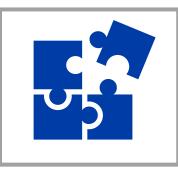
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Harnessing synergies with brain science



Coffee talk on Mindset Strategies for Post-Evaluation Transformation

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New module for the Evaluation Manual on communicating findings



IFAD Innovation Talk no. 13: Evaluation through the lens of brain science

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Online virtual training module focused on ensuring impactful evaluative communication



Training workshop on ensuring impactful evaluative communication

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