



# #Eval4Action in 2021

Progress from regions presented  
at the informal dialogue

1 February 2021



**#EVAL4ACTION**  
**IN 2020**





# Regional presentation:

## Asia Pacific



**Ana Erika Lareza**

Co-Leader, EvalYouth Asia  
APEA Coordinator





## Regional consultation towards regional strategy

- **Brainstorming ideas for the Regional Evaluation Strategy** - Asia Pacific Regional Consultation – 25 June 2020
  - 170 people (VOPEs, parliamentarians, UN, development partners, academia, private sector, govt) attended the consultation
  - **Development of the strategy as follow up** - Setting up a Committee to develop the content
  - **Feedback for the draft** - Asia Pacific Stakeholders Consultation – 9 October 2020
  - **Finalization based on feedback and launch** – 10 December 2020
  - Partnership with EvalYouth regional chapter/national chapters, parliamentarians, VOPEs, academia, private sector, NGOs



**Asia Pacific Regional  
Evaluation Strategy**



## Regional strategy highlights



- First time in the region
- Eight themes
- Eight volunteer groups to implement it
- Any organization or individual can implement any part of the strategy
- APEA/ EvalYouth Asia/ PFDE-SA role is to mobilize partners and coordinate
- Continue to implement the strategy in 2021 and beyond



# EvalVision Asia and highlights

## Events

- Virtual Regional dialogue on national evaluation policies and systems (NEPS)
- Launch of Inter-Regional Initiative for Professionalization of Evaluation.
- Talk show on use of evaluation for SDGs
- First anniversary celebration of EvalYouth Sri Lanka

## Product launches

- Asia Pacific Regional Evaluation Strategy
- Guide on use of evaluation for SDGs
- Competency framework for evaluators
- Competency assessment pathway

## Other key achievements

- Asia Pacific Communication Hub (APC Hub)
- Promote national EvalYouth chapters together with EvalYouth Asia

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## Regional presentation: Middle East and North Africa



**Sawsan Al-Zatari**

Co-chair, EvalYouth MENA  
Chair, EvalYouth TF2

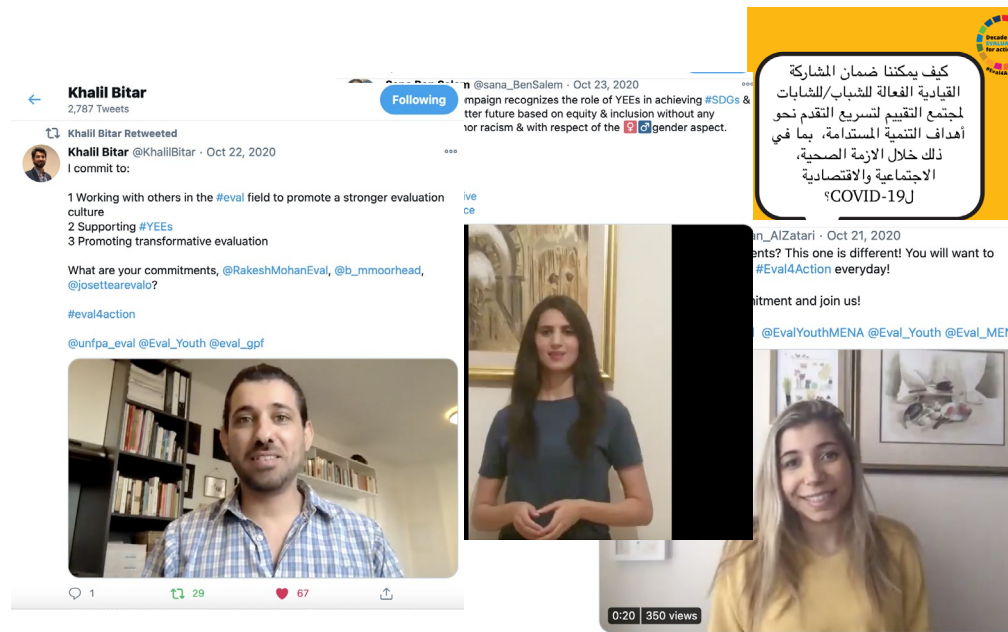




# Shared our Commitments to Eval4Action Campaign and joined the Twitter Chat

Two National VOPEs-Palestinian Evaluation Association and EvalJordan, joined the Eval4Action campaign. In addition to EvalMENA and EvalYouth MENA.

As a result of the Eval4Action Campaign, we aim to activate the role of the other less active national VOPEs to join the Campaign.



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Decade of Evaluation for Action Campaign - Eval4Action

2nd Regional Consultation

Middle East and North Africa (MENA)

## The MENA Region's Commitment Action Plan to Eval4Action Campaign



Marco Segone  
Director, UNFPA Evaluation Office



Khalil Bitar  
Chair, EvalYouth Global Network



Dr. Luay Shabaneh  
Regional Director, UNFPA ASRO



Tessie Catsambas  
CEO, EnCompass LLC



Dr. Nuhia Iler  
President, EvalMENA



Hon. Ibtissam Azzanolli  
Member of Parliament, Morocco



Sawwan Al-Zatari  
Co-Chair, EvalYouth MENA



Mohammed Qaryouti  
Vice President, IOCE

**JULY 10, 2020 at 4 PM JERUSALEM TIME**

Your participation will shape the MENA Region commitment and action plan for the Eval4Action Campaign till 2030. Join us!

Register Now! <https://forms.gle/Y5QbMcPAh9a9jYiz9>

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# MENA Eval4Action Regional Consultation

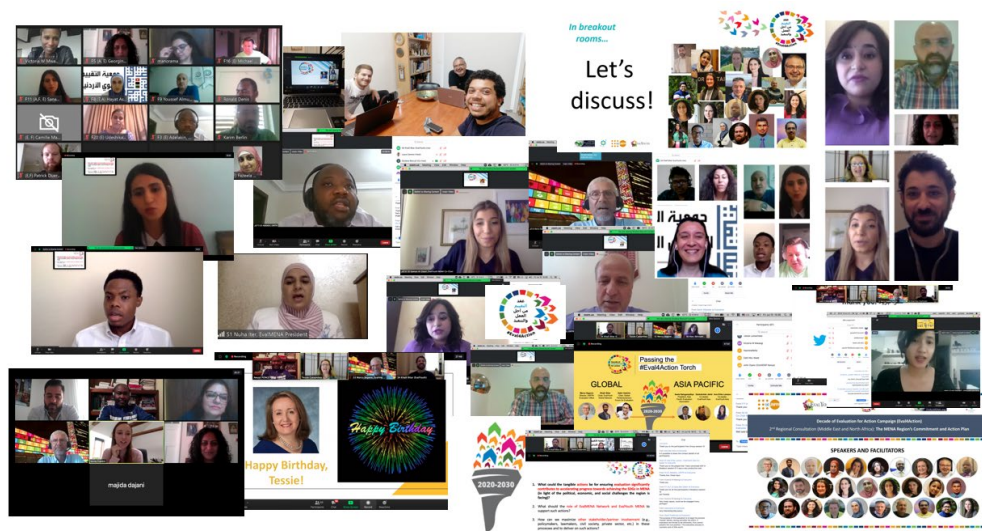
Launched the **MENA Region's Commitment to  
Action Plan to Eval4Action Campaign  
Consultation** on July 10, 2020

Speakers from Eval4Action leaders, EvalMENA  
and EvalYouth MENA leaders, UNFPA ASRO  
Regional Director, Member of Parliament and  
IOCE Vice President



# MENA Regional Consultation Outcomes

- 21 Global Facilitators
- 3 Questions
- 100 Global Participants
- 9 Breakout room notes





# MENA Regional Consultation Outcomes

Building on **years of a strong partnership with UNFPA ASRO**, meeting and working **together** on the Regional Consultation Action Plan.

Developed a TOR with UNFPA ASRO titled “**Research on MENA Eval4Action Action Plan and Strategies to Promote and Utilize Evaluation for Agenda 2030**”.

Utilizing a strong focus on **youth led initiatives with youth actually leading** the process and coordinating with UNFPA ASRO, building on previous experiences including developing the Winter School later this year as part of Eval4Action Campaign.





# Regional presentation: Latin America and the Caribbean



**Claudia Olavarría**

Co -chair  
EvalYouth LAC

# Eval4Action in LAC During 2020

## Our Commitment

1. We actively participated in the twitter Chat and promoted other partners involvement.
2. We actively participated in the Commitment Drive and motivated partners involvement.
3. We implemented a Regional Evaluation Consultation and motivated partners commitment to be and keep involved.
4. We are planning to host a set of activities to install a working group and a regional agenda

October 1, 2020

# Regional Eval4Action

## Consultation LAC

### Participants

#### CHARACTERISTICS

347

people registered

22 MODERATORS

10 PRESENTERS

#### LANGUAGES

The consultation was conducted in three languages: Spanish, English and Portuguese

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SPANISH  
249

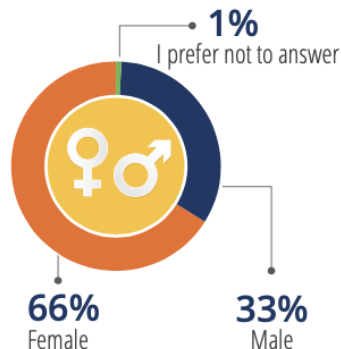
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PORTUGUESE  
38

yes

ENGLISH  
60

Most people registered were female gender

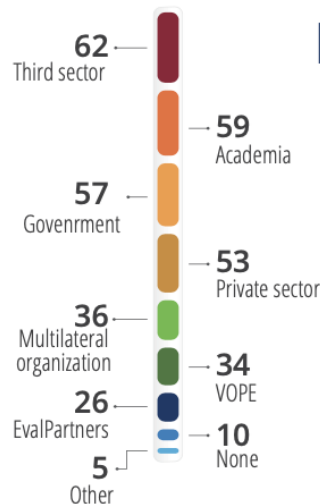


16% of the registered people belong to a minority

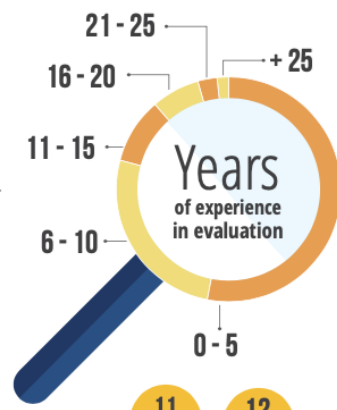


All of them were women

MULHERES QUE LUTAM PELOS SEUS DIREITOS  
AFRICAN  
POPULAÇÃO NEGRA  
MIGRANTES REFUGIADOS  
AFRODESCENDENTE  
LATINA  
NEGRA  
INDÍGENA  
CLASE TRABAJADORA  
EMPREDEDORA MUJER EN EL SECTOR DE LOS ODS  
MUJER ADULTA MAYOR Y EN RIESGO LABORAL  
MIGRANTE  
SOY DE ORIGEN JUDÍO  
ELDER  
RURAL WOMEN  
POBLACIÓN MAYA KICHE  
NEGRO  
LATINO  
LATINO-NON WHITE  
PUERTORRIQUEÑA  
BLACK  
YO PERTENECZO AL PUEBLO AYMARA Y EN MI PAÍS LOS AYMARAS SOMOS LA MAYORÍA  
VICTIM OF ABUSE  
SOY MAYA DE GUATEMALA PERO SOMOS MAYORÍA EN EL PAÍS  
MUJER LATINA INMIGRANTE EN USA  
MUJER LATINA Y AFRODESCENDENTE



#### EXPERIENCE





# Regional Eval4Action Consultation LAC

## Results

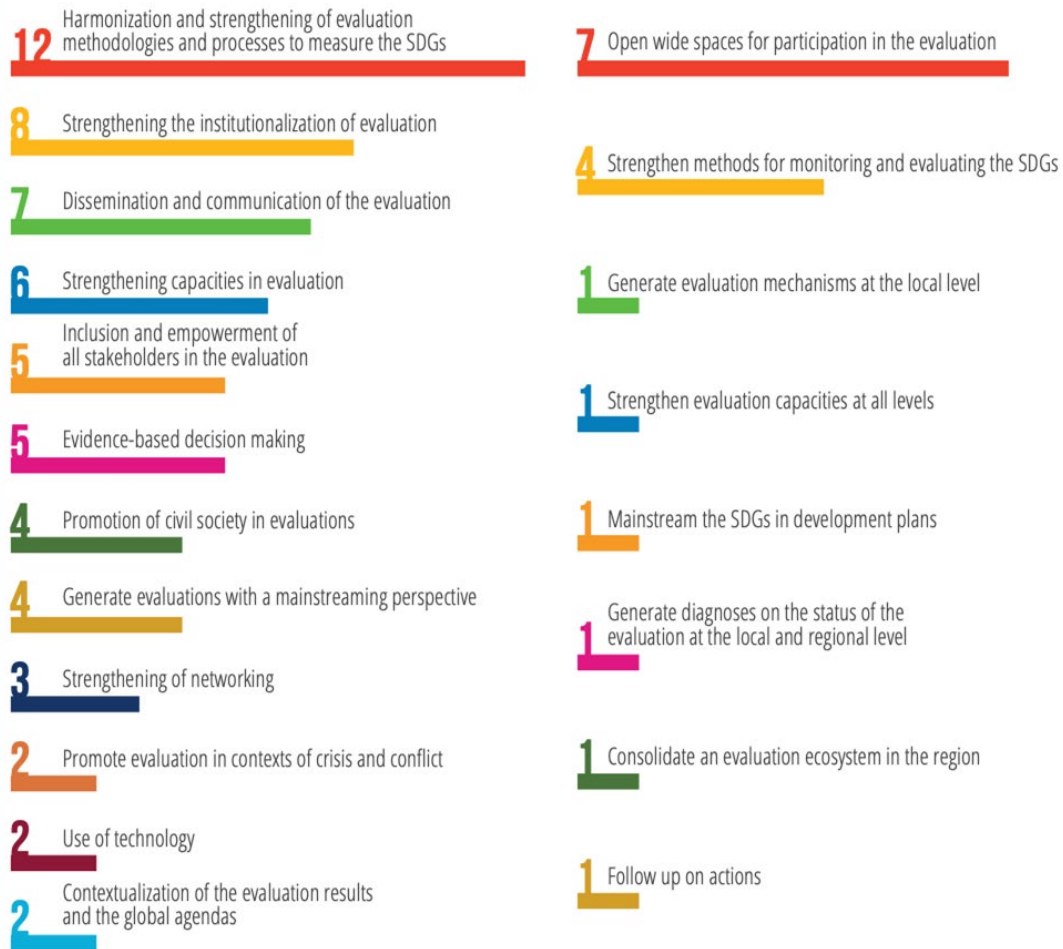
### THEMES AND RESULTS | Regional Evaluation Consultation in Latin America and the Caribbean

THE REGIONAL CONSULTATION ENABLED A DISCUSSION SPACE CONSISTING ON 13 SUB-GROUPS.

#### THE GOAL

was to discuss the **CHALLENGES** and the **STRATEGIES** in Latin America and the Caribbean to assure that evaluation contributes to achieving the SDGs.

Frequency of mentions of these topics in the sub-groups of discussion.





# Regional Eval4Action Consultation LAC

## Next Steps

1. Invite a **Regional Multi stakeholder Working Group.** (RMWG)
2. Install the RMWG and plan a **Regional LAC Agenda** in that space.
3. Jointly implement the **Regional LAC Agenda**

## CONCLUSIONS

### THE CONSULTATION IDENTIFIED

#### MAIN CHALLENGES

faced by evaluators  
in the region.

The issues identified can  
draw a

#### ROAD MAP

to generate an

#### EVALUATION AGENDA

along with the diverse regional actors, to accelerate the progress towards the **SDGs.**





# Regional presentations:

## Europe



**Weronika Felcis**  
Board member  
EES





## Regional consultations stats and outcomes

As part of Eval4Action's ongoing series of regional consultations, EES, along with NESE and yEES, hosted **the European consultation on October 21st, 2020** at 15:00 CEST.

- Nearly 200 participants
- 7 speakers in plenary
- 12 breakout rooms
- 24 facilitators





# Reflections from Eval4Action consultation

1. Individual capacities for evaluation
2. Interdisciplinary cooperation is a key to transformative evaluation.
3. Open data storage, sharing and use
4. Evaluation professionalization
5. Innovative methods
6. Institutional capacities for evaluation





# Follow up activities

EES has decided to focus on:

1) To highlight the launch of TWG 7 on EU Policies, as this was introduced during the Eval4Action webinar – first event in February 2021

2) A working group in combination with the outcomes of the Good Anthropocene webinar to focus on developing principles and guidelines/standards for ensuring that natural systems and sustainability and integrated across evaluation practices.



## QUALITY OF LIFE AS AN EVALUATION CRITERION 10-11/FEB 2021

EES THEMATIC WORKING GROUP 7 ON EU POLICIES  
CZECH EVALUATION SOCIETY  
MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

## EES Webinar series: Transforming Evaluation

### Evaluation for the Good Anthropocene

EES

Featuring:

17 December 16:20-18:20 CET / 7:20-9:20 PT



Elliot Stern  
Emeritus Professor  
Lancaster Univ.  
Editor journal  
Evaluation

Panel Moderator



Juha I. Uitto  
Director of IEO  
GEF



Andy Rowe  
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Astrid Brousselle  
Professor  
Univ. of Victoria  
Event Organizer



# Regional presentations:

## Eurasia



**Dmytro Kondratenko**  
Chair  
EvalEurasia Network





# EVAL4ACTION EURASIA CONSULTATION 2020

54 participants  
attended



**November-December 2020:** Agenda and promo materials developed, 2 promo video created (English and Russian), over 25 promo publications in English and local languages published in regional and international community sources

**Event on December 16, 2020:**  
20+ recommendations developed  
how to develop a widespread  
recognition of evaluation as one of critical  
and influential tools in Eurasian region  
(Eastern Europe, Central Asia and South Caucasus)  
for accelerating progress toward the SDGs  
and the 2030 Agenda



**EVAL4ACTION EURASIAN REGIONAL CONSULTATION**  
**MEET OUR SPEAKERS!**

**SPECIAL GUEST:**

4:00 PM (Uyghur, Chongqing)  
5:00 PM (Dushanbe, Dushanbe)  
6:00 PM (Dushanbe, Dushanbe)  
7:00 PM (Dushanbe, Dushanbe)  
8:00 PM (Dushanbe, Dushanbe)

**Promoting Evaluation in World of Uncertainty**  
**DECEMBER 16, 2020; @ 3.00 PM (CET time)**

**Eval4Action Eurasia Consultation:**  
**Our Facilitators/ Наши фасилитаторы**

December 16, 2020; 3.00 PM CET



## What the Eurasian alliance has done also as a part of Eval4Action campaign in 2020:

Russian-language site for Eval4Action :

<https://sites.google.com/view/eval4action>

**Russian-language webinars on Evaluation Decade and SDGs in the region:**

- **May, 21, 2020** - Start of the EVALUATION Decade in support of action to achieve the Global Goals in the Eurasian region
- **June, 4, 2020** - Evaluation: linking national priorities to the SDGs
- **June, 18, 2020** - Using the assessment and its results in the preparation of voluntary national reports on the implementation of the SDGs
- **July, 2, 2020** - How to understand how your social project contributes to the implementation of the SDGs
- **July, 16, 2020** - Assessment of the contribution of the state social order to the implementation of the SDGs

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национальных ассоциаций в сфере оценки





# FOLLOW UP & FUTURE INITIATIVES FOR 2021

## Action plan development initiated

(Jan., 2021 – working discussions with members of Eurasian Alliance of National Evaluation Associations)

### Among key priorities for future Eval4Action initiatives in Eurasia defined the following:

- Regional **awareness raising activities or events for professionalization** of evaluation
- Regional **dialog/workshop/s on the use of evaluation for SDGs**
- Regional **dialog/s with government to strengthen legislative framework** for evaluation
- **Capacity building event/s for YEEs** with exchange of best practices and experience through the region





# Regional presentation:

## Africa



**Fazeela Hoosen**

Co-chair  
AfrEA YEE Network





# Africa Regional Consultation

## toward an African Evaluation Community's Action Plan to SDGs

- Reenergize the global evaluation community into action to advocate for influential evaluation
- Discussion to identify ideas and actions:
  - Professionalization of Evaluation including young and emerging evaluators (competencies, mentorships etc)
  - Evidence informed decision building robust national M&E policies & systems
  - Nurture the Made in Africa Evaluation approaches that support SDG implementation and the achievement of the Africa we want

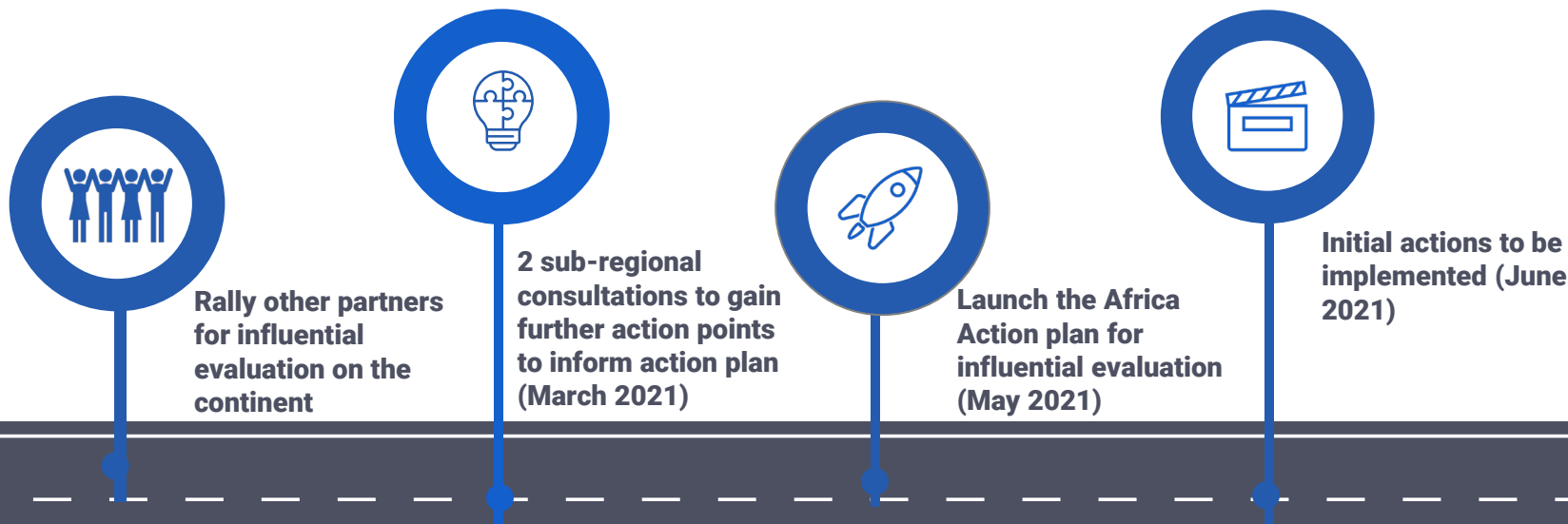
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TIME: 16:00 CENTRAL AFRICAN TIME

Register Now <https://bit.ly/2JO0j1V>

The session will be a mixture of English and French languages

 <b>Rosetti Nabbumba</b> President, AfrEA	 <b>Fazeela Hoosen</b> Co-chair AfrEA YEE network	 <b>Mr. Saturnin Zoetyande</b> Co-chair AfrEA YEE network	 <b>Mr. Marco Segone</b> Director UNFPA Evaluation Office	 <b>Tessie Catsambas</b> Co-Founder EnCompass LLC
 <b>Mr. Khalil Bitar</b> Chair, EvalYouth Global Network	 <b>Hon. Evelyn Naomi Kaabule</b> Member of Parliament, Uganda	 <b>Mr. Youssouf N'dia</b> Director of Monitoring and Evaluation of Côte d'Ivoire	 <b>Mr. Serge Eric</b> Chair EvalIndigenous	 <b>Mr. Samuel Kouakou</b> Vice-President, AfrEA

# Way forward: Develop an Africa action plan for influential evaluation



Sub-regional consultation sessions	Potential Sub-regional Partners	Potential regional Partners
West & Central Africa (mainly French)	UNFPA sub-regional office, West African Development Bank (BOAD), RF-Ee, RFE, CLEAR-FA	APNODE, African Development Bank (AfDB), World Bank – GEI, UNICEF, Twende Mbele, National VOPEs
East & Southern Africa (mainly English)	UNFPA sub-regional office, CLEAR-AA etc.	



## Benefits

1. Raising awareness of the importance of evaluation in accelerating achieving SDGs
2. Reviving stakeholder, partner & all interested party engagements to advance the evaluation agenda in the region to accelerate achieving SDGs

## Challenges / Suggestions

Eval4Action information is predominately in English.

Consider sharing information in other widely used languages to reach a wider audience

Engagements at regional level (due to COVID-19) are taking place predominantly online, which will limit or exclude the reach of partners and interested parties. Aim to use different forms of engagement regionally & nationally to ensure we Leave No One Behind



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