



Memorandum of Understanding between the International Development Evaluation Association (IDEAS) and Asia-Pacific Evaluation Association (APEA)

- 1. This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into by the International Development Evaluation Association (hereinafter "IDEAS") and the Asia-Pacific Evaluation Association (APEA), hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties".
- 2. The **purpose** of this MOU is to provide a framework of cooperation and facilitate collaboration between the Parties, on a non-exclusive basis, in areas of mutual interest. The main principles governing this MOU are defined as:
 - 1) **Mutual collaboration** to contribute to professional knowledge, conceptual thinking and standards and ethics in international development evaluation; to enhance the capacity of the members of the Parties and international development evaluators in general; and to promote governance, learning from evidence and accountability for development;
 - 2) **Reciprocal support** to the activities of the other Party, to provide a platform for exchange of experiences and knowledge amongst the members of the Parties and to promote governance, learning from evidence and accountability for development.
- 3. Parties agree to collaborate and support each other through this MOU in a variety of areas in evaluation or related to evaluation, including:
 - a. professionalization of evaluation,
 - b. evaluation capacity development as well as certification,
 - c. qualification and credentialing of evaluation practitioners and managers,
 - d. research and development works and innovations,
 - e. joint publications and knowledge sharing,
 - f. advocacy and promotion at both policy and technical levels,
 - g. systems and product development
- 4. The corresponding activities will/may include:
 - Development and conduct of joint evaluation training programs;
 - b. Organization of evaluation workshops and conferences;

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- c. Conduct of research and development works;
- d. Joint publications and/or contributions to publications
- e. Working committees and/or groups on special projects.

and

- g. Any other joint initiative deemed by the Parties as adequate to fulfil the two abovementioned Governing Principles
- 5. Collaborative and supportive efforts undertaken under this MOU will require **an appropriate action plan** detailing the purpose, activities, arrangements, funding or in-kind contribution and other relevant details
- 6. Parties will designate **representatives** for this MoU and for any resulting action plan and will inform each other in a timely way when representatives are replaced.
- 7. The Parties shall, on a regular basis, keep each other informed of and **consult** on matters of common interest, which in their opinion are likely to lead to mutual collaboration or support of activities of the other Party.
- 8. The Parties agree to **recognize** and acknowledge this partnership, as appropriate and in a manner and form agreed upon. This does not exclude the formation of any additional partnerships or collaborative efforts in other areas of mutual interest between the parties.
- 9. The proposed cooperation under this MOU is non-exclusive and shall have a **duration** of an initial period of two years, commencing on 27 Apr unless terminated earlier by either Party in writing to the other party.
- 10. This MOU may be **amended** by mutual agreement of the Parties reflected in writing.

As agreed, signed by both parties on April 27, 2017 at Damas Hotel, Bishkek,

Kyrgyzstan.

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