



MEETING AGENDA

Strengthening the Role of Evaluation in the Sustainable Development Agenda for Health

October 10-13, 2023

The Banbury Center, Lloyd Harbor, New York

This meeting was organized by

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Afternoon Arrivals and check-in at Robertson House

6:00 pm Reception and dinner

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

7:15 am Breakfast

8:30 am **Welcoming Remarks and Introduction**

Rebecca Leshan, The Banbury Center

Geoff Garnett, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Miriam Sabin, The Lancet

Mira Johri, Université de Montréal



- 9:00 am** **SESSION 1A: The “SDG for Health” Evaluation Landscape**
Chairperson: Miriam Sabin, The Lancet
James Hargreaves, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM)
Robert McLean, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)
Dugan Fraser, Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI)
- 10:50 am** **SESSION 1B: Evaluation Approaches**
Chairperson: Geoff Garnett, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Marie Gaarder, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie)
Kabir Sheikh, University College London
James Blanchard, University of Manitoba
- 12:25 pm** Luncheon
- 2:25 pm** **SESSION 1C: Evaluation at its Best, Evaluation Challenges**
Chairperson: Dugan Fraser, Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI)
Gonzalo Hernández Licona, Multidimensional Peer Poverty Network & GEI
Rajani Ved, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Shams Arifeen, International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research (ICDDR, B)
- 4:05 pm** **SESSION 1D: How Evaluation is Conducted: Independence, Governance**
Chairperson: Mira Johri, Université de Montréal
Candice Morkel, CLEAR-AA
Peter Hansen, Global Financing Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents
Nina Schwalbe, Spark Street Advisors
- 5:15 pm** **Day One Wrap-up**
- 6:00 pm** Reception and dinner
- 9:00 pm** (v) Sir Peter Gluckman, International Science Council (ISC)



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

7:15 am Breakfast

8:35 am **SESSION 2A: Evaluation, the SDGs, and Beyond**

Chairperson: Kabir Sheikh, University College London
Zulfiqar Bhutta, Aga Khan University & University of Toronto
Mira Johri, Université de Montréal
Riccardo Polastro, World Health Organization (WHO)

10:25 am **SESSION 2B: Maximizing the Benefits of Evaluations**

Chairperson: Kerry Albright, UNICEF
John Lavis, Global Commission on Evidence to Address Societal Challenges
Justice Nonvignon, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention
Timothy Lubanga, Office of the Prime Minister, Uganda

11:50 am Luncheon

2:05 pm **SESSION 2C: Innovative Evaluation Partnerships**

Chairperson: Dugan Fraser, Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI)
John Grove, The Global Fund
Ada Ocampo Cobos, IDEAS International
Rhoda Wanyenze, Makerere University

3:45 pm **SESSION 2D: Future Directions**

Chairperson: James Hargreaves, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM)
Kerry Albright, UNICEF
Kara Hanson, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM)

4:45 pm **Day Two Wrap-up**

6:00 pm Reception and dinner



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

7:15 am Breakfast

8:30 am **SESSION 3A: Blue Skies: What Role Can Evaluation Play to Reignite and Accelerate Progress on the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with a Focus on Global Health?**
Chairperson: Mira Johri, Université de Montréal
Breakout Groups & Plenary Discussion

9:15 am **Q&A and Discussion**

10:30 am **SESSION 3B: What Next? The Road Ahead**
Plenary Discussion; Meeting Wrap-up, Next Steps

12:30 pm Luncheon

1:30 pm Participant Departures

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