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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