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## MONGOLIAN TRANSLATION OF THE OECD DAC BETTER CRITERIA FOR BETTER EVALUATION LAUNCHED

In April 2023, the Mongolian Evaluation Association /MEA/ got permission to translate the 'OECD DAC Better Criteria for Better Evaluation' into Mongolian from OECD, thus began the translation work. With invaluable contributions from our dedicated members of the Mongolian Evaluation Association /MEA/ and the OECD, we are delighted to announce the successful completion of this translation. We successfully held a virtual launch event of the "OECD DAC Better Criteria for Better Evaluation" on 31 October, 2023. Recording of the launch event is available on our Youtube channel.

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Better Criteria for Better Evaluation  
Revised Evaluation Criteria Definitions and Principles for Use - Mongolian language translation  
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# STUDENT EVALUATORS COMPETING FOR THE WORLD EVALUATION CASE COMPETITION FOR THE 2ND YEAR

The first Mongolian Evaluation Case Competition (MECC) was successfully held in June 2023. A team of 5 young evaluators composed of the winning team of MECC, a 2nd runner and YEE Internship graduate is competing for the World Evaluation Case Competition (WECC) to be held on November 4. Mongolian Evaluation Association is honored to coach our Mongolia team for the WECC for the 2nd year. Last year, the Mongolia team became an Asian Champion which encouraged many young evaluators to get attracted to the evaluation field.

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**World Evaluation Case Competition**

**TEAM MONGOLIA**

**WECC**  
WORLD EVALUATION CASE COMPETITION

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Info: [worldcasecomp.net](http://worldcasecomp.net)



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# CONGRATULATIONS

## THE GRADUATION CEREMONY OF THE YOUNG AND EMERGING INTERNSHIP PROGRAM WAS CELEBRATED.

We celebrated a graduation of our first annual 'Young and Emerging Evaluators' six-month internship on Oct 14, 2023. The goal of the YEEs internship program was to provide evaluation-related knowledge and skills to Mongolian youth aged 18–34 who intend to enter the profession of evaluation.

Specific objectives of the program were as follows:

1. Develop evaluation-related knowledge and skills of young Mongolians
2. Provide opportunities to learn from experienced experts and young leaders
3. Provide practical experience for participants
4. Expand career opportunities for participants
5. Develop participants' hard and soft skills


The YEE internship was implemented in partnership with EvalYouth Mongolia Chapter and YOUTHinc Young Mongolian Professionals Association.





# NEC+12 - TAKING FORWARD THE TURIN AGENDA | NATIONAL EVALUATION SYSTEMS: ENGAGING YOUTH, ADDRESSING CRISIS, AND BUILDING RESILIENCE

On Oct 31, 2023, the Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI) and the UNDP Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) organized a joint virtual event "NEC+12 - Taking Forward the Turin Agenda" examining the inclusion of youth in national evaluation systems. Ms. Erdenechimeg Ulziisuren, Founder & President of the Mongolian Evaluation Association /MEA/ presented Mongolia's case on engaging youth in the national evaluation system. Please visit our website for full presentation.



NEC+12: TAKING FORWARD THE TURIN AGENDA

## National Evaluation Systems: Engaging Youth:

### MONGOLIA

*Erdenechimeg (Chimgee) Ulziisuren*  
Founder & President,  
Mongolian Evaluation Association

October 31, 2023

### Lessons learned in engaging youth in NES:

- Most of the YEEs do not have any training and real life experience in evaluation, but they are very **eager to learn, to pursue career in evaluation** and to contribute to the society.
- Youth have a high potential to **increase and spread a word about value of evaluation** in society using information and technology (MEA's social media channels: Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Website)
- **Coupling training opportunities with practical application** is most impactful, otherwise they tend to leave the field after trainings/workshops. Therefore, we need to make more of evaluation internship and praticum opportunities in collaboration with international development partners, public and private sectors.
- Campaigns like **'Youth in Evaluation Week'** has proven to be an accelerator of evaluation. The reason is that because of its global nature, youth are drawn to evaluation, organizations take the opportunity to commit to support youth in evaluation along with other hundreds of organizations at the same time.
- YEEs get to exposed to NES, value of evaluation to society through engagement in various **leadership and volunteer positions at VOPE:**
  - National Evaluation System Topical Interest Group (TIG)
  - Professionalization of Evaluation Task Force
  - Hands-on contribution to developing key evaluation documents (OECD DAC Glossary, OECD DAC Criteria)
  - Becoming MEA Board Member
  - Participate in international and national NES and evaluation capacity forums

## Key activities supporting YEEs





# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

## from our YEE internship graduates



**Khaliunaa Batjargal**

**YEE member, Mongolian Evaluation Association**

It has been one of the most memorable times in my life, exciting and encouraging. I learned a lot from our mentors, the knowledge-sharing sessions, and just in general during discussions. It helped me improve myself in a lot of ways. I'll always treasure the memories and the experiences I've gained throughout.



**Galbadrakh Erdenetsogt**

**YEE member, Mongolian Evaluation Association**

The Young Emerging Evaluation Internship Program was a transformative experience. I am excited to carry the knowledge and skills I acquired during this internship forward, utilizing them to actively contribute to projects and organizations striving for meaningful societal impact through well-informed decision-making and evaluation processes.



**Enkhjin Natsagdorj**

**YEE member, Mongolian Evaluation Association**

The true beauty of the YEEs internship lies in the friendships forged along the way. These passionate individuals have not only grown as professionals but have also cultivated lasting bonds with like-minded individuals who share their commitment to social impact and evaluation.



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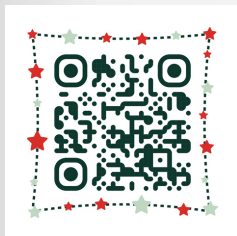
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## LEARNING SESSION #12, 2023

### TOPIC:

## INTRODUCING MONITORING AND EVALUATION AND GUIDELINES FOR DESIGNING MONITORING SYSTEMS:

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**THURSDAY | 9 NOVEMBER 2023 | 20:00 (ULAT)**

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### Our speakers



***Dr. Michael Bamberger**  
Senior Research Fellow, International  
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***Dr. Raymond Gervais**  
International M&E consultant (RBM),  
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### Our discussants



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***Ms. Tseveengerel Amgalan**  
Member, MEA  
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Authority of Government  
Supervisory*



# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Youth in Evaluation standards

Lessons and action for meaningful partnership with youth in evaluation

**7 November 2023**

9:00-10:30 am ET < Virtual event



**TOPIC:** Youth in Evaluation standards  
| Lessons & action for meaningful partnership with youth in evaluation

**DATE & TIME:** Nov 7, 2023 10:00 PM



### THE COMPETITION

The Independent Evaluation Group of the World Bank (IEG), the Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI), and EvalYouth invite Young and Emerging Evaluators to participate in a writing competition that aims to promote and share expertise in culturally responsive evaluation.



### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

You must be an emerging evaluator with less than 5 years of professional experience. Make sure the submitted essay or portion of your essay has not been previously published. Essays authored by a maximum of 3 co-authors are considered acceptable.

### ESSAY TOPICS

1. Case studies of culturally responsive evaluation in practice.
2. Explorations of challenges/opportunities of integrating culturally responsive evaluations principles into evaluation practice.
3. Discussions of the specific role emerging evaluators can play in the advancement of culturally responsive evaluation.
4. Reflections on meeting the challenge of communicating the validity of culturally responsive evaluation and getting influential voices and change-makers to listen.

### SUBMISSION PROCESS

Participants should submit an essay of max 1500 words and a short abstract between 300-500 words that lays out their main ideas and what they believe would be innovative about their approach + a short, biographical statement in English (no more than a paragraph) to [yeecompetition@worldbankgroup.org](mailto:yeecompetition@worldbankgroup.org)

The deadline for submission is December 31st, 2023

Note: The essay should follow APA style guidelines and can originate in any language but should be submitted in English.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/454EEaa>.

Submit your essays by December 31, 2023.

