

NEWSLETTER

OUR YOUNG AND EMERGING EVALUATOR GOT AWARDED WITH IPDET SCHOLARSHIP, RENOWN AWARD IN EVALUATION TRAINING



IPDET holds a prestigious reputation as a leading provider of advanced evaluation training worldwide. Its courses and workshops cater to professionals involved in commissioning, managing, conducting, or utilizing evaluations, addressing their specific needs. This distinctive training initiative gathers expertise from around the world to enhance both fundamental and advanced competencies in evaluation. With over 4000 professionals trained in recent years, IPDET has fostered a global, interdisciplinary network of evaluators.

Ms. Oyundalai Odkhuu began her evaluation career as one of 22 interns of six-month YEE internship program organized by MEA in 2023. During her internship, she spearheaded the "Youth in Evaluation Week" in Mongolia, advocating for youth inclusivity in evaluation and garnering support from 7 organizations and 200 students who signed a manifesto for youth engagement standards. Additionally, she co-organized MEA's first "Summer Evaluation Bootcamp" in collaboration with American University's MSc. Measurement & Evaluation Program.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING EXTENDED WITH AMERICAN UNIVERSITY'S MSC. MEASUREMENT & EVALUATION PROGRAM

On April 23, 2024, Mongolian Evaluation Association and American University's MSc. Measurement & Evaluation Program extended the MoU by another 1 year after fruitful 1 year of collaboration. Thanks to Dr. Beverly Peter's leadership and commitment to make this MoU meaningful cooperation between young and emerging evaluators (YEEs) of Mongolia and USA in the past one year and many more to come. We successfully collaborated for 'Youth in Evaluation Week,' various skill building workshops, practicum placements, probono Midterm Evaluation for the YEE internship and different speaking engagements and webinars in 2023-2024.

We look forward to continue our collaboration in 2024-2025 and beyond.



**Extended the MoU with American University's
Ms. Measurement & Evaluation with another 1 year
(April 25, 2023 - April 23, 2025)**



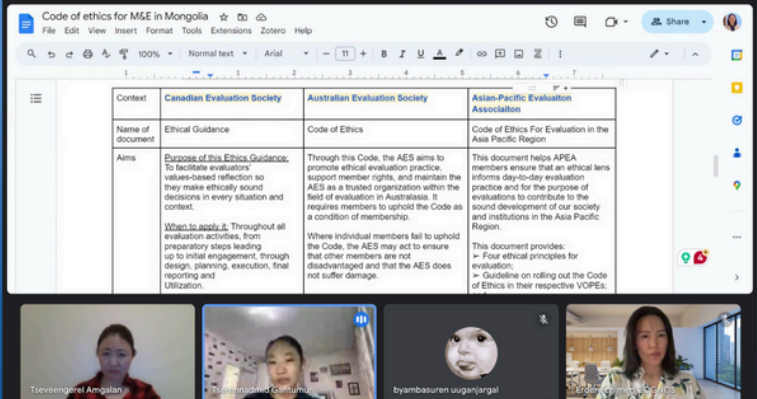
AU Measurement & Evaluation Program

- Provide opportunities to Ms. Program Students, Alumni, and Faculty to participate in MEA's Learning Sessions, Evaluation Case Competitions, Summer Evaluation Bootcamps, and other speaking events
- Provide opportunities for MEA institutional members to host AU students for their works
- Provide MEA members to learn from AU Ms. Students, Alumni and Faculty

MEA'S PROFESSIONALIZATION OF EVALUATION TASK FORCE STARTED DRAFTING THE CODE OF ETHICS IN EVALUATION

The professionalization of Evaluation Task Force (PETF) of Mongolian Evaluation Association had its 4th meeting to discuss the development of the Code of Ethics in Evaluation. Ms. Tseveengerel Amgalan, member of PETF, introduced the Concept Note of the Code of Ethics in Evaluation. MEA PETF is also producing Competency Framework of Evaluators concurrently led by Ms. Mendbayar Budee.

Code of Ethics in Evaluation






Context	Canadian Evaluation Society	Australian Evaluation Society	Asian-Pacific Evaluation Association
Name of document	Ethical Guidance	Code of Ethics	Code of Ethics For Evaluation in the Asia Pacific Region
Aims	<p>Purpose of this Ethical Guidance: To facilitate evaluators' values-based reflection so they make ethically sound decisions in every situation and context.</p> <p>When to apply it: Throughout all evaluation activities, from preparatory steps leading up to initial engagement, through design, planning, execution, final reporting and Utilization.</p>	<p>Through this Code, the AES aims to promote ethical evaluation practice, support member rights, and maintain the AES as a trusted organization within the field of evaluation in Australasia. It requires members to uphold the Code as a condition of membership.</p> <p>Where individual members fail to uphold the Code, the AES may act to ensure that other members are not disadvantaged and that the AES does not suffer damage.</p>	<p>This document helps APEA members ensure that an ethical lens informs day-to-day evaluation practice and for the purpose of evaluations to contribute to the sound development of our society and institutions in the Asia Pacific Region.</p> <p>This document provides: - Four ethical principles for evaluation; - Guideline on rolling out the Code of Ethics in their respective VOPEs;</p>

Professionalization of Evaluation Task Force (PETF) of MEA embarked development of the Code of Ethics in Evaluation and its first concept note was introduced by Ms. Tseveengerel Amgalan, member of PETF and MEA at the 4th PETF meeting on April 2, 2023.

As evaluators, it is our mandate to uphold highest ethical conduct in our work so this document will be an essential guidance for our profession of evaluation.


AMERICAN UNIVERSITY'S MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MEASUREMENT & EVALUATION PROGRAM'S STUDENT PRACTICUM






2nd PRACTICUM PLACEMENT

Within the scope of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) established between the American University's Ms. Measurement & Evaluation Program and the Mongolian Evaluation Association, Mr. Doug Grindle completed his second practicum focusing on a complexity-aware mixed-methods summative evaluation for the Development Solutions NGO of Mongolia.

15 Feb - 2024
28 Apr - 2024





Mr. Doug Grindle
MS. Measurement and Evaluation, AU

MEA LEARNING SESSION 2024#4 ON 'RIPPLE EFFECTS MAPPING (REM): AN OVERVIEW

MEA Monthly Learning Session was held on April 25, 2024 on the topic 'Ripple Effects Mapping (REM): an Overview' by on 2024/04. Our esteemed guest was Dr. Anna Sims Bartel, a multifaceted leader with a Ph.D. from Cornell University and a B.A. from Princeton in Comparative Literature. With 20 years in higher education leadership and six in nonprofit consulting, she focuses on democratically-engaged assessment, partnership development, and engaged learning systems. Dr. Bartel's work integrates learning, culture, and action to enhance the impact of higher education and humanities in the world.

Ripple Effects Mapping is a participatory evaluation method used to visually capture the impacts and outcomes of projects or interventions by mapping the ripple effects they generate within communities or organizations. It involves stakeholders reflecting on and discussing the changes and consequences that occur as a result of the project, tracing these ripple effects outward from the initial actions or interventions. This method helps to understand the broader implications and unintended consequences of interventions and can inform future decision-making and program planning.

 MONTHLY LEARNING SESSION #04, 2024

RIPPLE EFFECTS MAPPING (REM): AN OVERVIEW

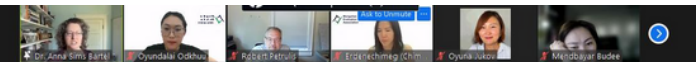
SPEAKER


ANNA SIMS BARTEL, PH.D.
INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT,
ECOSYSTEM STEWARD ITHACA, NY

MODERATOR

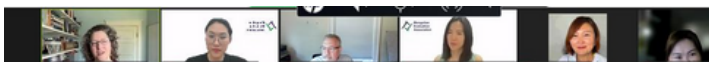

OYUNDALAI ODKHUU
YOUNG AND EMERGING EVALUATOR (YEE),
MEMBER OF MEA

THURSDAY | 25 APRIL 2024 | 20:00-21:00 GMT




Ripple Effects Mapping

- Developed by Cooperative Extension community development scholar-practitioners in the USA.
- Is especially useful for long-term and hard-to-quantify impacts; avoids survey fatigue.
- Has an asset orientation that can surface challenges while celebrating trust and connection among participants.
- Offers small-scale, low-cost, time-efficient learning about specifically defined questions.
- Is NOT "objective"; does not seek random samples but tries to understand what works and how. Useful companion to more quantitative approaches.



REM helps us assess the realities of collaboration:



From Interaction Institute for Social Change





MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Nyamsuvd Battulga
Young and Emerging Evaluator, MEA

Ms. Nyamsuvd Battulga is senior year student majoring in statistics at the National University of Mongolia. She has always been intrigued by the power of data and analysis. The Young Evaluators' Internship (YEE) was a gateway that led her not just into the world of professional evaluation but also into a community where friendships and professional development go hand in hand.

During her YEE internship, she delved into the fundamentals of overall evaluation—understanding it as the systematic assessment of the design, implementation, and outcomes of projects to make informed decisions. This experience was a catalyst in realizing the importance of thoroughness and precision in her field.

In a noteworthy episode of her internship, two colleagues and she took part in the Mongolian Evaluation Case Competition. Through teamwork and shared dedication, they clinched the first place, a testament to their collective ability to synthesize data and craft meaningful evaluation design. Building on this success, they seized the opportunity to participate in the World Evaluation Case Competition. With their sights set on a broader horizon, they immersed themselves in the complex challenges it presented. Their teamwork, honed through the YEE internship, was pivotal as they navigated through rigorous analyses and strategic planning.

Ultimately, their efforts bore fruit, and they were elated to be crowned the Asian Champions. This journey through the world of evaluation has been transformative. She has come to understand that evaluation is not just about the result but about the processes that drive change and the insights which guides future action. As she reflects on these experiences, she is filled with gratitude for the doors that the YEE internship has opened and for the lessons it has taught her. She is more determined than ever to pursue a path where evaluation plays a critical role in shaping efficient, effective, and impactful outcomes.

MEA IS PARTICIPATING gLOCAL

gLOCAL Evaluation Week is a unique knowledge-sharing event, that connects a global community of people across sectors and regions. Allowing participants insight into how their work fits in with regional monitoring and evaluation (M&E) ecosystems and the larger international M&E community, gLOCAL helps to inspire and energize a global movement - individuals and organizations who value the power of evidence to improve people's lives. We are grateful that the Mongolian Evaluation Association's 2 proposals were accepted: i) the Second Mongolian Evaluation Case Competition, and ii) the Webinar on How can we strengthen national evaluation capacities and systems in ways that enhance the potential for achieving transformational change?



2nd Mongolian Evaluation Case Competition - 2024



1st place: Summer Evaluation Bootcamp
+ 3 year MEA membership
2nd place: Summer Evaluation Bootcamp
3rd place: 2 year MEA membership

Scan to register



For free

Essential topics to learn:

- Types of evaluation
- Evaluation frameworks and models,
- Sampling techniques,
- Data collection methods,
- Data analysis techniques,
- Ethics in evaluation



REGISTRATION
2024.5.16

1ST STAGE
2024.06.03

2ND STAGE
2024.06.06

SUMMER
EVALUATION
BOOTCAMP

- Among the Mongolian university, college students
- Each team should have 3-5 members
- Evaluation theory & knowledge test
- Individual skills-Average score
- Top 8 team

- Case study-evaluation
- Teamwork
- 9 hours to prepare a PPT on the case
- Presentation

- Top 2 teams will attend on July 8-10, 2024
- Full scholarship
- Learn from leading evaluation experts

Registration deadline: May 27, 2024

For more information
Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/MonEvalAssoc>
Contact: info@mongolianevaluation.mn



**"HOW CAN WE STRENGTHEN NATIONAL EVALUATION CAPACITIES
AND SYSTEMS IN WAYS THAT ENHANCE THE POTENTIAL
FOR ACHIEVING TRANSFORMATIONAL CHANGE?"**



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ERDENECHIMEG ULZIISUREN

Founder & President
Mongolian Evaluation Association



MEGAN GRACE KENNEDY-CHOUANE

Head of Evaluation Unit,
Development Cooperation
Directorate OECD

When: 4pm, June 7, 2024 GMT+8

ZOOM

MEA IS PARTICIPATING IN YOUTH IN EVALUATION WEEK

The second Youth in Evaluation week 2024 will be held from 8 to 12 July 2024 globally. Aligned with the UN Summit of the Future 2024, this gathering of the global evaluation community will amplify dialogue on intergenerational solidarity for transformative evaluation and build momentum for enhancing meaningful youth engagement in evaluation. We are excited that both proposals accepted which are: i) 2nd Summer Evaluation Bootcamp, and ii) Advocacy for Youth in Evaluation through Manifesto & Standard.



Participants will be immerse into fundamentals of evaluation learning from international and national evaluation experts together for 3 days in the beautiful nature of Mongolia on July 8-10, 2024.

Objectives of the 2nd Summer Evaluation Bootcamp:

- Nurturing and empowering the next generation of monitoring and evaluation (M&E) professionals, and
- Improving decision-making through the use of evidence and building monitoring and evaluation (M&E) capacities

Building on last year's success, our focus this year will be on sustaining momentum and deepening our engagement with stakeholders for their commitment for youth in evaluation. We plan to reach out 40 organizations (UN agencies, ADB, WB, public and private entities, academic institutions) both composed of organizations from last year as well as new ones. The standards are organised around six dimensions: (1) leadership and accountability; (2) practice; (3) advocacy and capacity development; (4) knowledge management and communications; (5) human resources; and (6) financial resources. These standards serve as a roadmap to step up the practice and accountability towards engaging youth in evaluation.



UPCOMING EVENTS



APEA
Asia-Pacific Evaluation Association

APEA WEBINAR

THE WAY FORWARD ON PROFESSIONALIZATION OF EVALUATION: A CONVERSATION ON LEARNINGS AND CHALLENGES BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA PACIFIC

SPEAKERS **MODERATOR**

BRENDA BUCHELI
Founder & Former President EvalPeru, and Co-Leader of the Professionalization theme of ReLAC

NATALIA AQUILINO
Founder & Former President EvalAR, and Co-Leader of the Professionalization theme of ReLAC

KEIKO NISHINO
Former Vice President of APEA and Co-Leader of the Professionalization theme of APRES

ERDENECHIMEG (CHIMGEE) ULZIISUREN
Founder & President Mongolian Evaluation Association and Co-Leader of the Professionalization theme of APRES

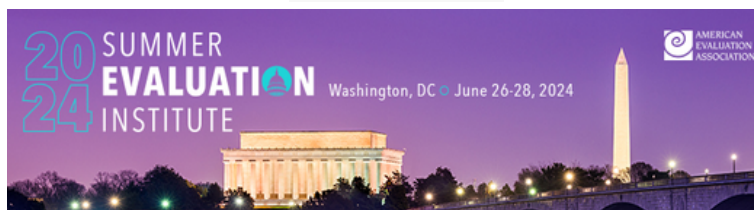
21 MAY **6.30 PM IST**

REGISTER NOW
bit.ly/APEAwebinar-May

Center for Evaluation, ReLAC, IOCE, Mongolian Evaluation Association, APC HUB

Asia Pacific Evaluation Association (APEA) is organizing a webinar on "The Way Forward on Professionalization of Evaluation: A Conversation on Learnings and Challenges between Latin America and Asia Pacific" on Tuesday, 21st May 2024 | 6.30 PM IST. The speakers will share insights and address challenges related to professionalizing evaluation practices in both Latin America and the Asia Pacific region. Please register here: bit.ly/APEAwebinar-May

EvalYouth Asia is organizing exclusive P2P Session on the topic "SDG Evaluation: What's the traits & challenges of it?" Please register here: <https://bit.ly/P2Psession06>

2024 SUMMER EVALUATION INSTITUTE

Washington, DC • June 26-28, 2024

AMERICAN EVALUATION ASSOCIATION



EvalYOUTH ASIA CHAPTER **APEA** **APC HUB**

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EMERGING EVALUATORS

English
22- May, 5:30 pm IST

Peer-to-Peer Advisory Thematic Session:
SDG Evaluation: What's the traits and challenges of it?

Prof. Aki Yonehara
Department of Sociology
Toyo University, Japan
Associate Editor, Asia Pacific Journal of Evaluation

Register and submit your questions by May 10!

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American Evaluation Association is organizing Summer Evaluation Institute on June 26-28, 2024 in Washington, DC at the Washington Hilton. Registration is now open! Reserve your spot by the May 27 early bird rate to save.



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