

NEWSLETTER

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MEA FIRST ANNUAL SUMMER EVALUATION BOOTCAMP WAS SUCCESSFULLY ORGANIZED



The first annual MEA Summer Evaluation Bootcamp, a remarkable event that unfolded from August 25th to 27th. It was a collaborative endeavor featuring Mongolian evaluation experts and distinguished instructors from American University.

Over the span of three days, Mongolian young and emerging evaluators were immersed in a dynamic learning experience. This event was not just a training; it was an opportunity for attendees to sharpen their skills, enrich their knowledge, and create lasting connections in the evaluation field.



MEA Summer Happy Hour

The Mongolian Evaluation Association's Summer Happy Hour was an invigorating 4.5-hour event that immersed us in a world of spirited discussions.

One of the highlights was to share insights and opportunities about the evaluation landscape both domestically and internationally

The event also shed light on MEA's ongoing and prospective endeavors, offering a glimpse into the vibrant activities awaiting our members' engagement.

Together, we're embarking on a journey of collaboration aimed at propelling the professionalization and institutionalization of evaluation in Mongolia. The collective effort we invest reverberates in our society's advancement, fostering positive change and growth.

We extend our sincerest gratitude to all who graced the Mongolian Evaluation Association's Summer Happy Hour with their presence.



The poster for MEA's Summer Happy Hour features the Mongolian Evaluation Association logo at the top. Below it, the text "Come out and join our" is followed by "Summer" in a large, stylized font and "HAPPY HOUR" in a green, blocky font. An illustration shows three people (two men and one woman) holding drinks and talking. A strawberry is also depicted. At the bottom, a yellow box contains the text: "Members are free", "Non-members: 10k", "Drinks on your own;", and "Canape will be served". To the right, a clock icon indicates the time "6-9pm, Wednesday, August 2, 2023", and a location pin icon indicates the venue "Cozy Club, front of Bayangol hotel, Ulaanbaatar". A "Cozy Club" logo is in the bottom right corner.

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Discussion on Resolution N.206 for National Evaluation System

With the leadership of Mr. B. Baasandorj, Head of Authority of Government Supervisory, morning meeting was organized amongst representatives of government, international organizations, academia and evaluation association to hear the the feedback on the concept and draft of the Resolution N.206 on "Monitoring & Evaluation of Policy Documents" and to have constructive discussion on how we can collaborate and contribute to develop national evaluation system.



The Authority of Government Supervisory organized the 'GOVERNMENT PRODUCTIVITY AND MONITORING & EVALUATION DISCUSSION' forum

With representation spanning 16 Ministries, 21 provinces, and various relevant sectors, a gathering of 240 delegates took place. The event facilitated comprehensive learning and discussion on the current M&E landscape, future trends, and global practices.

During the event, Ms. Mendbayar Budee, Chair of the Organizational and System Evaluation Topical Interest Group (TIG) of the Mongolian Evaluation Association, along with her role in USAID Mongolian Energy Governance Program, shared insights on 'Effective Monitoring.' Ms. Erdenechimeg, Founder & President of the Mongolian Evaluation Association, highlighted "National Evaluation System and International Examples." Both also served as panelists.

It was a great honor for all of us to listen to the live presentations of Ms. Heather Bryant, Member of Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI) Global Team, and Evaluation Advisor at the UNDP Independent Evaluation Office (IEO), and Professor Ian Goldman, President of the International Evaluation Academy - IEAc and Advisor on Evaluation and Evidence Systems, GEI on the topic 'Strengthening of the National Evaluation System.'

As the event concluded, B. Baasandorj, Head of the Authority of Government Supervisory, presented insightful 'Recommendations' drawn from valuable participant feedback.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Oyundalai
MEA Member

She began her journey as an emerging evaluator in national evaluation policies in Mongolia. Her ambition and initiative drive her to proactively undertake tasks in the professional political thematic area. With an academic degree in Political Science from the National University of Mongolia, she has dedicated her career to national and international organizations, including the Strategy Academy and projects with the United Nations Department of Political Affairs (UNDPPA).

Currently, she holds the position of principal researcher at the Young Researchers Supporting Foundation NGO, leading the "Developing Definitions of Human Rights Terminology" project in collaboration with the National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia.

Her decision to enter the evaluation field was inspired by her involvement with a political think tank focused on interdisciplinary research and training in cooperation with public institutions. This engagement revealed deficiencies in state policy execution at various stages, prompting her entry into the evaluation sector. Her goal is to facilitate evidence-based policy formulation and implementation, enhancing policy accountability, transparency, and societal well-being.

Upcoming event



P2p+ career EMERGING EVALUATORS

English

Sept 17, 9:00 am IST

Peer-to-Peer Advisory Session on M&E Career

Tips for YEE from the expert in a top MEL consultant company:

- How to build your career in M&E?
 - What skills do you need to improve your career in M&E?
 - How to polish your skills along the way?
- and more.....



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