Lessons learned and challenges

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Evaluation in Peru

- Social investment from the government.
- Activities in social responsibilities from the corporate.
- Search for results and impact from the cooperation community.
- Increases demand for evaluation techniques, methodologies and evaluators.
- Creation of Inclusive Development Ministry with Evaluation Direction.
Strengthening organizational capacities

• After 15 years of experience decision to legally formalize the network.
• Increase networking and linkages with other development actors.
• Importance of leveraging resources and financial sustainability.
• Gradually and systematically increase its human capacity.
• Maintain and reinforce democratic structures.
Main results of EvalPeru

- Internal electronic platform among members.
- Electronic network open to the public.
- E-Newsletter: internal, quarterly basis.
- Resource centre specialized on evaluation open.
- Advisory services on evaluation.
- Dialogue and reflection between members and academics.
Factors that contributed to success

• Develop a work plan (internal capacity development: technical and organizational aspects).

• Strong institutional linkages (ReLAC, IOCE).

• Organize national and international events to exchange experience.

• Members working in important evaluation institutes, NGOs, and public sector.
Lessons learned

• Sustainability as a long term objective:
  – positioning the network as a lead player within the national evaluation community;
  – obtain recognitions as a professional organization.

• Resources for activities from the contribution of its members.

• Increased human resources become critical.

• Democratic procedures maintained members together.
Challenges and bottlenecks

• How to confront the challenge of time.
• The efforts and challenges towards formalization.
• The search for influencing Peruvian society.
• Development and sustainability of the network.
• Decentralize activities to provinces.