This message is to inform you on the latest news re: EvalPartners:

1. On 26 June, the e-learning programme on Development evaluation was launched. We have the pleasure to inform you that 1,300 people registered to the new e-learning course within 48 hours of its launch. This is well over the expectations. FYI, registered participants are from 117 countries. The developing countries with the most registered participants are: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Ghana, Indonesia, India, Kenya, Cambodia, Nigeria, Philippines, Pakistan, Tanzania, Ukraine, Uganda, South Africa, Zambia. For the time being, registered participants are from: CSO – 28%; UN Agency – 23%; Consultants – 17%; Government – 13%; University – 9%; Others – 9%. Additional information about the e-learning programme are available at http://mymande.org/elearning

2. Jim Rugh is doing an excellent job in pulling together the replies received so far for the mapping of Evaluation associations/VOPEs. The survey was sent to 128 VOPEs all over the world; 66 replied; 64 are willing to develop/write a case study. Jim Rugh is now working on analysing all these reach data, to be able to prepare a synthesis analysis.

3. 16 members of the Management group will meet on July 8 and 9 to finalize the agenda of the International Forum to be organized in Thailand, and to develop a preliminary draft 2013-2014 workplan for EvalPartners. Representatives from EvalMENA; IOCE; South Asia CoE; AES; AEA; EES; IPEN; RFE; AfrEA; Egypt Evaluation Network; Morocco Evaluation Association; UNICEF; UNWomen and African Development Bank will attend the meeting. FYI, Attached the agenda of the EvalPartners Management Group meeting.

4. Jim Rugh met with CLEAR Senegal and CLEAR South Africa. He presented EvalPartners and explored opportunities for cooperation.

5. The new UNEG Task Force on National Evaluation Capacity Development met yesterday, and re-confirmed its interest and willingness to engage/support EvalPartners. AEA officially endorsed EvalPartners.

Best regards

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