

Evaluation at the United Nations: A Status Update

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UN General Assembly Resolution on National Evaluation Capacity Development

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UNGA Resolution “Capacity building for Evaluation of Development activities at the Country-level”

1st time in the history of the United Nations - A powerful, stand alone UN Resolution on national evaluation capacity development is adopted by the 2nd Committee of UNGA

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Operational activities for development

Fiji, Mexico, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa and Vanuatu:
draft resolution**Building capacity for the evaluation of development activities at the country level***The General Assembly,**Recalling* its resolutions 59/250 of 22 December 2004, 62/208 of 19 December 2007, 66/209 of 22 December 2011 and 67/226 of 21 December 2012,*Reiterating* the importance of building national capacity for the evaluation of development activities,*Reaffirming* that national capacity for the evaluation of development activities may be further strengthened by the entities of the United Nations development system upon request and in accordance with the principle of national ownership and with the national policies and priorities defined by Member States,*Cognizant* that the United Nations Evaluation Group and the relevant actors have designated 2015 as the International Year of Evaluation and that they would potentially contribute to supporting Member States, upon their request, in building their capacity for the evaluation of development activities,

1. *Notes* that international cooperation in building national capacity for evaluation at the country level should be voluntary and carried out upon request by Member States;

2. *Invites* the entities of the United Nations development system, with the collaboration of national and international stakeholders, to support, upon request, efforts to further strengthen the capacity of Member States for evaluation, in accordance with their national policies and priorities;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session an update on progress made in building capacity for evaluation,

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based, inter alia, on inputs from Member States and entities of the United Nations development system, including the United Nations Evaluation Group, as well as the Joint Inspection Unit, to be considered during the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system.



2015 International Year of Evaluation

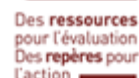
- **The 2nd EvalPartners Global Forum to be held in November 2015 at the Parliament of Nepal in Kathmandu.** Organised together with Community of Evaluators – South Asia, Parliamentarians Forum for Development Evaluation and National Parliamentarians Forum for Development Policy in Nepal. The Global Parliamentarian Forum for Evaluation, as well as EvalParliament, a global partnership for evaluation and evidence-based policy making will be launched.
- **A series of regional conferences will be organized during 2015 will culminate with the 4th Conference on National Evaluation Capacities (NEC) – “Evaluations for Evidence-based Public Policy”.** Conferences will call for strengthened national evaluation capacities for evaluations to be used for accountability, learning and as critical tools in shaping public policy.



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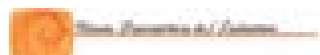


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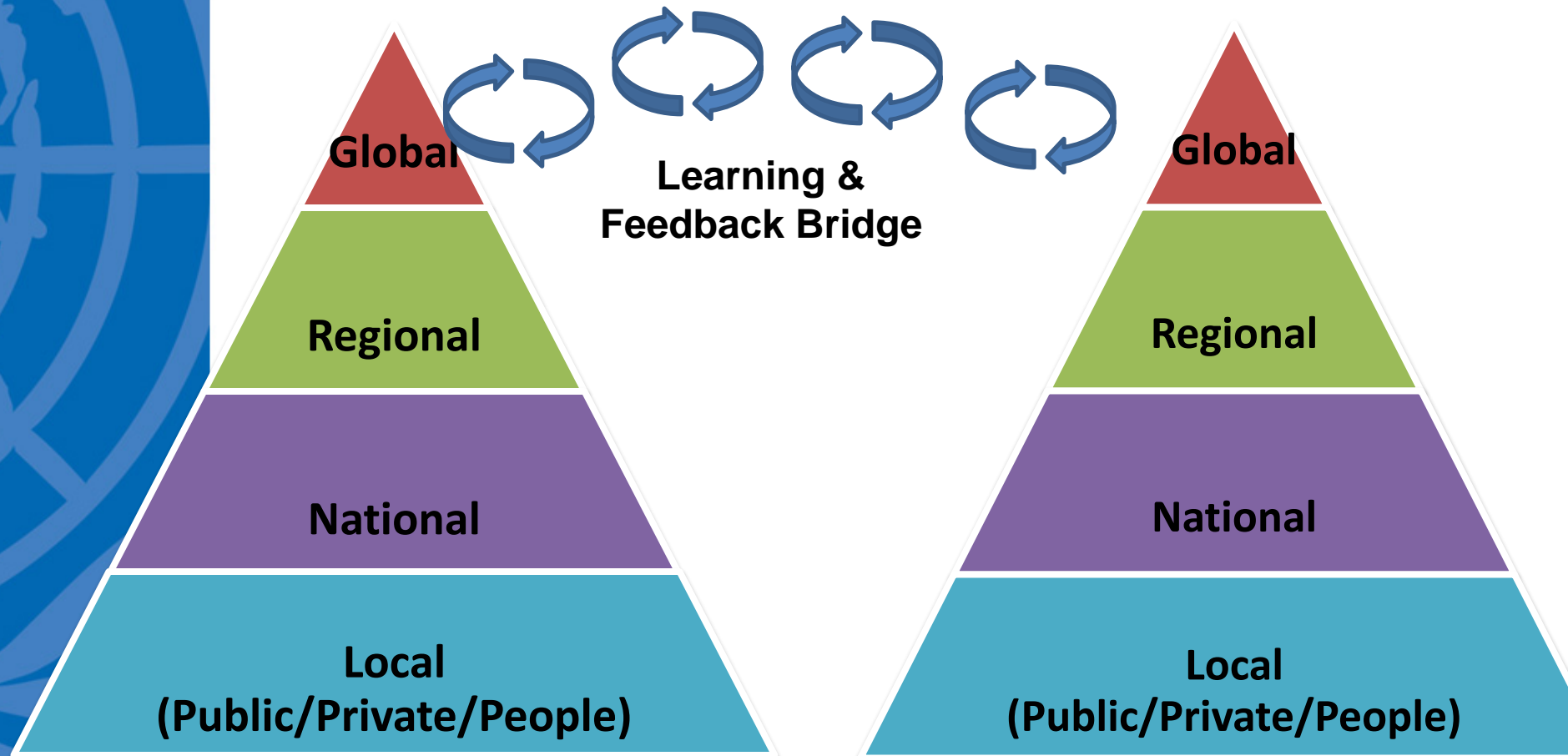
- **Evaluation is critically important for countries pursuing the new post-2015 development agenda.**
- **Evaluation** is essential because the new accountability framework will not be legally binding; it will rely on political will and persuasion. By assessing how programmes and policies are contributing to results, evaluation can help establish incentives for effectiveness, transparency and accountability.
- UNEG and regional and national partners agree - **to operationalize the post-2015 development agenda at country level**, the monitoring, evaluation and accountability mechanisms should be based on national monitoring and evaluation systems.
- Member States, national evaluation partners will work together to **strengthen the capacity to demand, supply and use evaluations** generated by national monitoring and evaluation systems.
- The focus should be to strengthen capacity for monitoring and evaluation at the national level, including through greater involvement and engagement of civil society and the private sector from the planning to the monitoring phases of the SDGs.



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