



Cornell University

Cornell International Institute for Food, Agriculture and Development

## Evaluating International Development Projects:

### A One-Day Skills Building Workshop on Monitoring and Evaluation

When: Saturday, November 5; 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Where: 135 Emerson Hall

The Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Workshop is designed to expose 30 advanced students and junior professionals to the ideas and skills involved in monitoring and evaluation, focused specifically on field-based, international food, agriculture, and natural resource contexts. Participants will be selected to represent a range of positions, disciplines, gender, and projects. To maximize the benefits of the program, preference will be given to those who already have an existing project or at least a very clear idea of a future project.

The workshop will begin with an introduction to the field of monitoring and evaluation, followed by a presentation on current trends among the 'big players' in development. After a coffee break, a panel will present quantitative, qualitative and combined approaches, followed by a discussion/Q&A session. Just before lunch, we will have a brief self-evaluation to identify possible gaps in understanding and areas for further discussion. After lunch, we will break into small groups to examine one or more cases in more depth, with the goal of concretizing the morning's "theory." In the final, plenary, session, participants will share findings from their small group discussions and feedback for evaluation of the workshop.

Application forms are available on line on the CIIFAD website or they can be picked up in the CIIFAD office (B75 Mann Library). Participation is limited to 30; the organizers will seek to select participants with a diversity of experience and with focused, practical interest in the topic.

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**~Lunch and refreshments provided.~**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 20th**





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#### ~ Agenda ~

- 8:30-9:00 Registration/Light breakfast
- 9:00- Welcome  
Kriszta Tihanyi, Visiting Scholar-CIIFAD  
Carol Colfer, Visiting Scholar-CIIFAD
- 9:00-9:30 Introduction to the field of M&E in Development  
Mark Constas, Associate Professor, Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management
- 9:30-10:30 Building a Logic Model/Program Model  
Sunny Kim, Doctoral candidate, Division of Nutritional Sciences  
Leslie Hoey, Doctoral candidate, Department of City and Regional Planning
- 10:30-10:45 Tea/Coffee break
- 10:45-12:00 Selected approaches to M&E – a panel discussion  
Becky Stoltzfus, Professor, Division of Nutritional Sciences  
Bob Herdt, Adjunct Professor, Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management
- 12:00-12:30 Formative evaluation of workshop -- “How are we doing so far?”  
Questions/feedback from participants.
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch
- 1:30-2:00 Introduction of group activity for evaluation planning (case study) - plenary
- 2:00-3:00 Group discussions
- 3:00-4:00 Report back/Closing Comments

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