



# **Building the Evaluation Capacity among Young and Emerging Evaluators in the Asia Pacific Region**

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# Outline

- Definition of **Young & Emerging Evaluators (YEEs)**
- **Challenges** faced by YEEs in the Asia Pacific Region
- **Initiatives** taken to support YEEs
- **Lessons Learned**

Evaluators under age of 35 years

**OR**

Evaluators who have less than 5 years  
of professional experience

**OR**

Recent university graduates who are interested  
to join the evaluation profession

**OR**

Development professionals who have technical knowledge on  
evaluation and willing to become professional evaluators

**Definition of Young & Emerging Evaluators (YEEs)**

# Challenges faced by YEEs

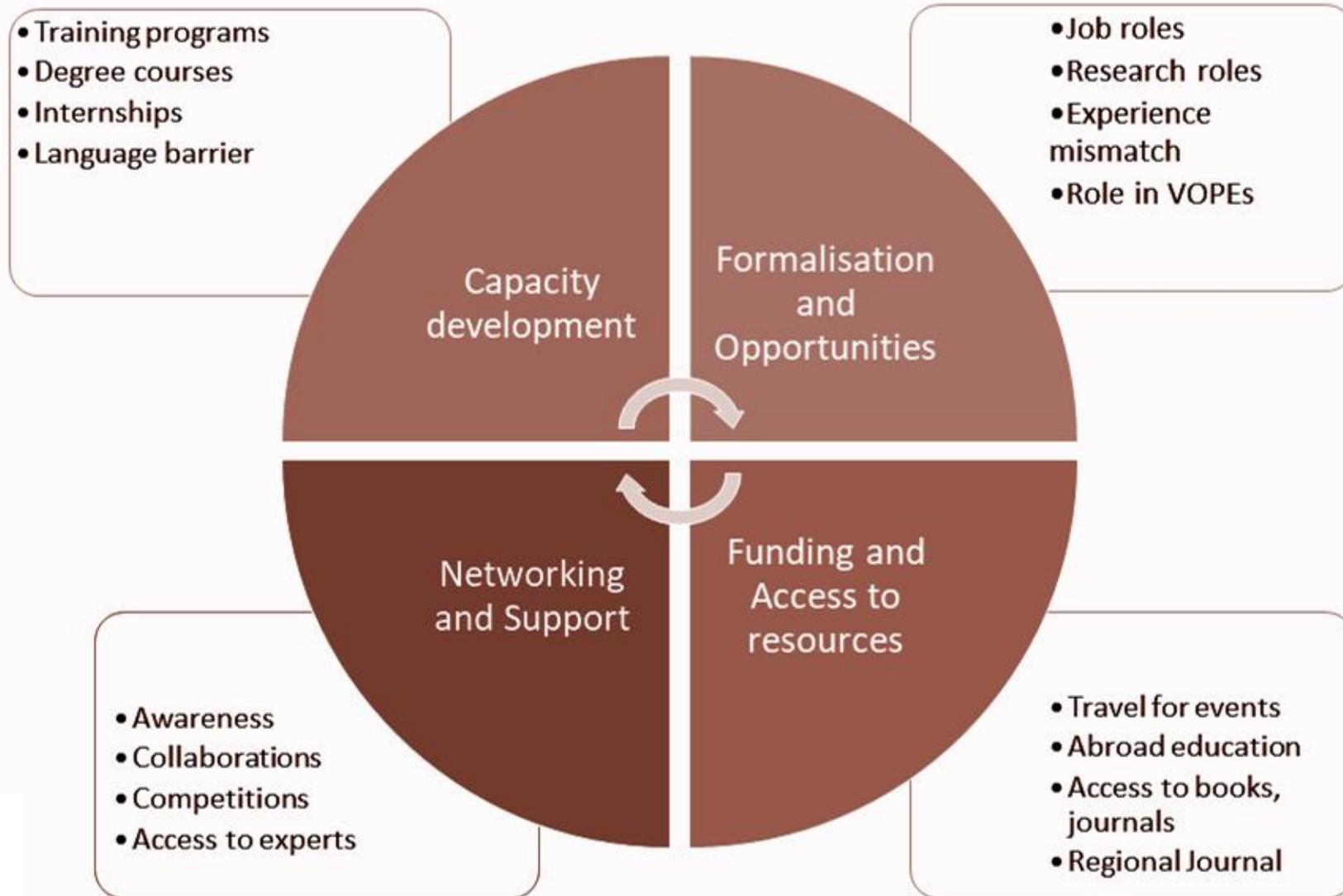


Figure by Yatin Diwakar

# Asia Pacific Regional Evaluation Strategy

- Launched in **October 2020**
- A roadmap for **action**
- accelerating action to **support evaluation in Asia Pacific Region**



- Formed in December 2019 as a Regional Chapter for YEEs
- Supported by Asia Pacific Evaluation Association and EvalYouth Global
- The main aim of EYA is to engage and build the evaluation capacity of YEEs



# **Initiatives taken to support YEEs in the Asia Pacific**

# YEEs Focused Webinars

- SLEvA & APEA webinar for YEEs
- YEEs as target group of participants & organizing team for the webinars
- Webinars in gLOCAL 21 and 22 events by EY chapters

## Webinar for Young and Emerging Evaluators

### Young People and Enabling Evaluation Environment: Does it benefit each other?

4th December 2019

7.30 pm IST, 9.00 am EST

Free Registration:

ns.gle/  
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Speaker:

Weronika Felcis

European Evaluation Society

Moderator:

Anna Erika Lareza, APEA / EvalYouth

Opening Remarks:

Khalil Bitar, Chair, EvalYouth

Marco Segone, Director-Evaluation, UNFPA

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## DATA VISUALIZATION

WEDNESDAY 29 JULY 2020 | 9.00 AM EST / 6.30 PM IST

SPEAKER



**Sawsan Al-Zatari**  
Co-Chair | EvalYouth MENA  
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## ONLINE M&E SURVEY DESIGN, DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS FOR YEEs WITH REAL CASE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022 | 11.30 AM IST



SPEAKER

JINENDRA KOTHALAWALA

A Council Member of SLEVA  
Former Director of Social Research at Nielsen Company Lanka (Pvt) Ltd



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UMESH JADHAV

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# Workshop for Evaluation Capacity Building for YEEs in Sri Lanka

## Topics Covered

- Introduction to M&E
- Evaluation and SDGs
- Career Development in M&E
- Evaluation Criteria, Methods, Process, and Managing
- Standards, Norms, and Ethics in Evaluation Practice
- Participatory Methods in Evaluation
- Career Advice Session



# EvalYouth Chapters kickoff series



# Asia Pacific Virtual Winter School for YEEs



## ASIA PACIFIC VIRTUAL WINTER SCHOOL 2021 FOR YEEs 17 – 19 DECEMBER 2021

### PROGRAM AGENDA

<b>Session 1</b> December - 17	Introduction to monitoring & Evaluation	<b>Session 4</b> December - 18	Career Development in M&E
<b>Session 2</b> December - 17	Global Trends in Evaluation	<b>Session 5</b> December - 19	My M&E Career Plan
<b>Session 3</b> December - 18	Evaluation to Achieve Sustainable Development	<b>Session 6</b> December - 19	The Youth Transformative Participatory Approach as a Tool For Enhancing Social Justice & Equity through Evaluation

# Evaluation Case Competition

- Initiative by EvalYouth India, India Evaluation Case Competition 2021 and 2022 organised successfully.
- Partners such as JPAL, DME0, IRMA, BMGF, etc. on boarded for support.
- Prior to event, 2-3 skill building webinars are held to orient college students towards techniques in evaluation
- Focus on exposing students to evaluation by creating a hype around the competition. **USD 3000 worth prizes this year.**
- Outcomes - winners represented India in world EvalCase Competition, participants became volunteers with EY India, took part in Winter School.



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***Composed of a team of young volunteers for effective communication in evaluation matters in the region.***

# M&E Career Resource Hub for YEEs

An inter- regional virtual career resource hub for monitoring and evaluation for YEEs

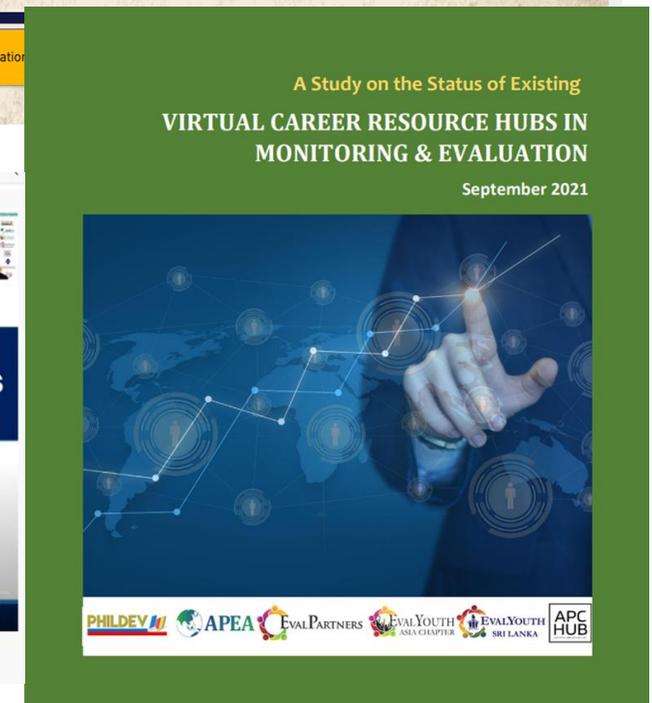
- For promoting, supporting, and facilitating YEEs career development support
- To create a live forum for learning and sharing that entails use of Evaluative Evidence

[www.mandecareerhub.org](http://www.mandecareerhub.org)

The development of the virtual resource hub was supported by;

- Findings of the study of existing virtual resource hubs for M&E  
(Link:[https://www.mandecareerhub.org/\\_files/ugd/6d0c46\\_4c7d1bc560494c3882da884ca6f0444a.pdf](https://www.mandecareerhub.org/_files/ugd/6d0c46_4c7d1bc560494c3882da884ca6f0444a.pdf))
- Suggestions from a stakeholder consultation held virtually with the participation of invited M&E professionals across the globe.

Webinar on the resource hub launch(Link:[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2L\\_sdrRaUig](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2L_sdrRaUig))



# Practical Evaluation Opportunities for YEEs

- MoU signed between EvalYouth Pakistan and UNICEF
- Evaluation Community of India & EY India working with Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office, NITI Aayog (designated evaluation institute in India) to get regular internship opportunities
- Institutions informally reaching out for recommendations for hiring

# Each one teach one campaign

- Capacity building of evaluators
- Awareness campaign on use of evaluation

# Global activities



# Lessons Learned

- Co-lead with youth
  - Have YEEs involved in evaluation teams, commissions, advocacies, networks / Voluntary Organizations for Professional Evaluation (VOPEs)
- Create YEEs networks - EvalYouth Chapters
- Create awareness on the evaluation field
- Create educational opportunities to study M&E
- Regularly have capacity building opportunities for professional development
- Provide evaluation internship opportunities
- As YEEs - volunteering opens doors, gives opportunities, but not everyone remains active all the while, so need large pool. Lot of skills learnt.





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