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Program Evaluation Learning Resources

Research on Improving Systems of Education (RISE), Papers:

<http://www.riseprogramme.org/content/rise-launch-event>

International Organization Development Ltd (IOD PARC), Resource Centre: http://www.iodparc.com/resource_centre.html

German Development Cooperation Evaluation, Evaluation and Auditing: http://www.bmz.de/en/what_we_do/approaches/evaluation/index.html

Investing in Rural People (IFAD), Project Evaluations: http://www.ifad.org/evaluation/public_html/eksyst/doc/prj/index.htm

Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching (MERLOT), Evaluation: <https://goo.gl/UVISjy>

Recommended News Articles and Blog Posts

[A Closer Look at How USAID and MCC Fare in Quality of Official Development Assistance \(QuODA\)](#)

[Here's How to Really Leave No One Behind: Improve Data Collection on Women and Girls](#)

[Supporting Evaluation Capacity Development](#)

[Communicating Research to Policymakers: Researchers' Experiences](#)

["But how much should I actually spend?" Five tips for how to better plan and budget for M&E](#)

[Evaluation of Strategy for Europe on Nutrition, Overweight and Obesity Related Health Issues](#)

[Monitoring and Evaluation when Politics Matters: Notes from Program Experience](#)

Upcoming Events

March 17

[Partnering for Success: How M&E can strengthen partnerships for sustainable development, Wageningen, Netherlands](#)

April 20

[The Next Generation of Theory and Practice: Rethinking Equity through Culturally Responsive Evaluation and Assessment, CREA 3rd International Conference, Chicago, USA](#)

Useful Sites

<http://mande.co.uk/>
<http://amecorg.com/>

Examples of Evaluation Projects

[Support to Sustainable Transportation System in the City of Belgrade, 2015, Final Evaluation Report](#)

[Evaluation of Quality of Social Welfare Services Supported through Component 2: Social Welfare Reform, 2014, Montenegro](#)

Relevant Publications

[The Quality of Official Development Assistance \(QuODA\)](#)

This report is the third edition of Center for Global Development (CGD) and Global Economy and Development Programme at Brookings to measure the quality of Official Development Assistance (ODA), updated to use 2012 data from the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC). QuODA assesses aid quality for 31 DAC member countries and multilateral agencies according to four dimensions of aid quality that draw upon international declarations: maximizing efficiency, fostering institutions, reducing burden, and transparency and learning. The conclusion is that there has been a mixed picture on improvements in the quality of aid since the first edition of this report, which used ODA data from 2008. The latest version attached to 2014 data is not published yet.

[50 shades of BH politics](#)

As part of the project Gender equality is not just a woman thing!, implemented by the Association INFOHOUSE and financially supported by the Heinrich Boll Foundation, a study to assess the gender equality in the policies and actions of political parties in BiH has been conducted. The study was based on the analysis of the documents and practice of the parties that won the most votes during the General Elections 2014, as follows: The Social Democratic Party (SDP), the Democratic Front – Zeljko Komsic (DF), Party of Democratic Action (SDA), Alliance for a Better Future (SBB), Croatia Democratic Union of BiH (HDZ), Croatian Democratic Union 1990 (HDZ 1990) the Alliance of Independent social – Democrats (SNSD) and the Serbian Democratic Party (SDS). The study findings show that: the concept of gender equality is not adequately regulated in the statute or other acts of the monitored parties; the use of gender sensitive language in acts of political parties is the exception, not the rule; despite the existence of quotas on the mandatory inclusion of underrepresented sex on the lists of candidates, the existing electoral system leads to unsatisfactory participation of women in legislative assemblies; and the like.



Recommended Reading

[Measuring Think Tank Performance: Updated with 2014 Data](#)

In 2013, Center for Global Development (CGD) designed a low-cost quantitative approach to ranking think tank performance. The same methodology has been applied in early 2015 to produce an updated ranking of US and international development think tanks on the basis of 2014 data. The rankings aim to provide a transparent and objective method of assessing the influence of select think tanks.

[The Quality of Official Development Assistance 2014](#)

The Quality of Official Development Assistance (QuODA) measures donors' performance on 31 indicators of aid quality to which donors have made commitments. The 2014 edition finds that donors are overall becoming more transparent and better at fostering partner country institution but that there has been little progress at maximizing efficiency or reducing the burden on partner countries. E.g. the World Bank's concessional lending arm, the International Development Association (IDA), performs very well in QuODA, ranking in the top 10 of 31 donors.