

EVALSDGs Code of Conduct

EvalPartners is fully committed to the principle of engagement, transparency, inclusivity, honesty, integrity and fair play in the conduct of its business. As a subsidiary network of EvalPartners, EVALSDGs members are expected to operate in a just, equitable and impartial manner so that its reputation is not negatively affected by unprofessional behavior such as dishonesty, impropriety or corruption. This Code of Conduct sets out the standard of behavior expected of every person who requests and is accepted to become a member of EVALSDGs. The oversight of this Code of Conduct is the EVALSDGs Executive Committee (Exco) which in turn reports to the EvalPartners Executive Committee.

Effective Conduct

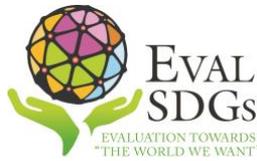
EVALSDGs operates in a collegiate manner, with open and transparent communication where differing views are welcomed and listened to. EVALSDGs and its members are responsive to EVALSDGs key objectives to:

- Contribute to create an enabling environment for evaluation relevant to the SDGs.
- Provide a platform for dialogue, advocacy and knowledge generation in relation to evaluation and the SDGs.
- Assist in strengthening the institutional capacities of evaluators to conduct evaluations in support of SDG implementation and review processes.
- Support national initiatives to build evaluation initiatives in relation to national planning and SDGs implementation.
- Foster inter-linkages and interaction between initiatives to strengthen evaluation and implement and review the SDGs.

EVALSDGs welcomes all viewpoints but avoids behavior that could undermine its operations.

General Standards

1. Respectful, Inclusive and Professional Behavior: EVALSDGs operates in a collegiate manner and values member engagement and diverse perspectives. This includes attention to cultural competence and sensitivities to engage with different members with respect and courtesy. In particular, during meetings and other dialogues, members should respect the differing viewpoints of other members and give time for other members to provide input.
2. EVALSDGs members should ensure that their conduct would not bring the network into conflict or disrepute.
3. Members shall adhere to the spirit of any rules made for EvalPartners' practices and procedures.
4. Decisions made on EVALSDGs matters shall be motivated by the pursuit of the objectives of EVALSDGs and be framed within the values of EvalPartners and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
5. Members should not at any time or in any respect do anything which may compromise or impair the integrity, impartiality, objectivity or ability of the network and its members.



Specific Standards

1. **Protection of personal data.** EVALSDGs acknowledges the importance of protecting personal data and will exercise due diligence to the best of its ability in this regard by requesting consent of its members before acquisition and using personal data.
2. **Use of confidential or privileged information.** EVALSDGs and its members will not disclose any confidential or privileged information related to EVALSDGs to any party unless they are authorized to do so by the EVALSDG Exco.
3. **EVALSDGs Communications.** Members should not release or make public by print, electronic and social media means any communications as being related to EVALSDGs unless first approved by the EVALSDGs Exco. The Exco may approve use of the EVALSDGs logo, use of public EVALSDGs material, media and social media statement.
4. **Conflict of interest.** No EVALSDGs member shall benefit financially from EVALSDGs membership. Potential contract opportunities may be offered or advertised through the network; however, these will be promoted to all members to allow free and fair competition in line with contract requirements. A member bidding for such work should have no actual or perceived conflict of interest. Business solicitation through the network will be considered as a conflict of interest. No EVALSDGs member should be involved in decision-making on budget allocations for which they may receive a financial gain; excepting travel-related costs to events, or engage in formal representation for EVALSDGs, unless approved by the Exco.

Any conduct that is contrary to the Code of Conduct will be addressed by the Exco and the Exco may assist the member to abide with the intent of the Code or approve removal of the name from the members list.