

Mexico to host the 5th RELAC Conference in 2017

The Monitoring, Evaluation, and Systematization Network of Latin America and the Caribbean has selected Guanajuato, Mexico as the host city for their 5th Annual Conference. ACEVAL's proposal to host the conference received the highest rating and thus the city will receive more than 500 evaluators from across Latin America in 2017.

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Videoconference with Carolina Muñoz Mendoza



On October 27th, our Chilean colleague Carolina Muñoz Mendoza will host a videoconference entitled "Evaluation as a participatory and democratic tool." The objective of the videoconference is to discuss the main theoretical and methodological approaches that underpin the democratizing potential of evaluation and its role in strengthening participation in public policy, analyzing both experiences and opportunities for development in the Ibero-American context. Carolina, Specialist in Public Policy and Citizenship

and Researcher from the Institute for Government and the Public from the Autonomous University of Barcelona, will dialogue with her Guatemalan colleague Erzi Espinoza Flores, Business Administrator, who holds a masters in Human Resource Management and Public Policy Evaluation. You can follow the videoconference on our YouTube channel (<https://goo.gl/GnYwYD>) on October 27th at 21:00pm Spain time zone (16:00 in Chile or 14:00 in Mexico).

RIEPP Panels



RIEPP will actively participate in the next CLAD International Congress, which will take place in Santiago, Chile between November 8th and 11th. RIEPP representatives Rodrigo Luna Gutiérrez (Nicaragua), Iriana Ferreyra (Argentina) and Julio Adolfo Amézquita López (Colombia) will participate in the panel entitled "Economic, social and environmental public policy as a model to ensure the sustainability of cities: The case of Cartagena de Indias, Colombia." In addition, Fernando Santiago (Argentina) will coordinate a panel that combines the experiences of the Chilean, Nicaraguan, and Mexican evaluation networks. The panel is called "Public policy evaluation in Latin America: The role of professional networks in developing a culture of evaluation." For more information, visit the following link: <https://goo.gl/tAwaz6>

Evaluation seminar in Argentina

Chilean researcher Camilo Arriagada Luco will lead a seminar in Argentina from November 14th-18th. The seminar will incorporate a balance between the design and impact of policies in Latin America, focusing on programs that address marginalization, the satisfaction of beneficiaries of housing programs, the impact of comprehensive community and neighborhood intervention plans, and the challenges of evaluative research and its institutionalization.



Masters in Evaluation in Spain

Enrollment is now open for the Masters in Public Policy Evaluation (first edition) offered by the University of Seville. The course uses a practical and comprehensive approach to provide participants with the knowledge, methods, approaches, technical tools, and practical skills necessary to plan, executive, and manage public policy evaluations. 2016-2017 academic cycle, online format. Director of the program: José Luis Osuna Llaneza <https://goo.gl/au8BIC>



The evaluation movement expands in Bolivia

A few days ago the Monitoring and Evaluation Network of Oruro was formed, signifying an important step in the organization of subnational networks in the Andean country of Bolivia. The rise of subnational networks is part of a strengthening process that is being developed and carried out by the REDMEBOL association. More information can be found here: <https://goo.gl/aTUUnDQ>



RELAC evaluation standards published

The Monitoring, Evaluation and Systemization Network of Latin America and the Caribbean (RELAC) has its first publication available: Evaluation Standards for Latin America and the Caribbean, which is directed at the community of evaluators across the region. The publication is available in Spanish, Portuguese and English. The publication was made possible thanks to the collaborative work of many people that contributed their ideas to the content presented in the document. For more information: <https://goo.gl/yOSXZK>



Doctorate in Public Policy from CIDE

The call for applications to enroll in the Doctorate in Public Policy program from CIDE in Mexico is now open. The Doctorate in Public Policy seeks to train the highest-performing academics and analysts to understand how and why public decisions are made in societies, proposing and developing solutions to the complex and varied political and social problems in Mexico and other Latin American countries. <http://dpp.cide.edu/admision>



Working Group: "Evaluation, Participation and Democracy: An overview of Ibero-American States"



On October 4th, a meeting was hosted by the working group on Evaluation, Participation and Democracy: An overview of Ibero-American States. The working group is coordinated by Carolina Muñoz-Mendoza and Ramón Canal Oliverras, researchers from the Public Policy Analysis, Management and Evaluation Group (AGAP) of the Institute for Government and Public Policy (IGOP) at the Autonomous University of Barcelona.

<https://goo.gl/uA6keD>

New article: "What if we evaluate public policies? Keys to understanding the need for evaluation, based on the diagnostic of Mendoza"

Authors: Alejandro Belmonte, Tania Marino and Vanina A. Pereyra

This article stems from a study led by the EvaluAR Network (Argentinean Evaluation Network), whose ultimate goal was to develop a diagnostic for the evaluation of public policies in Argentina. In this regard, the Public Policy Observatory of the National University of Cuyo implemented a study in the province of Mendoza. Distinct aspects of evaluation processes were assessed through interviews with various state actors, government officials, and academics connected to the topic. Read the full article here: <https://goo.gl/a2v3eS>

Bolivia prepares for the First Meeting of Observatories on human rights, gender, and social development

On November 10th, 2016, the Audience for the Social Work Profession at the Universidad Mayor de San Andrés will provide a space for representatives of 15 Observatories on human rights, gender, and social development to discuss their roles, achievements, and results in their respective areas in order to outline activities for collaborative work at the departmental and national levels. For more information: <https://goo.gl/9RgcNB>

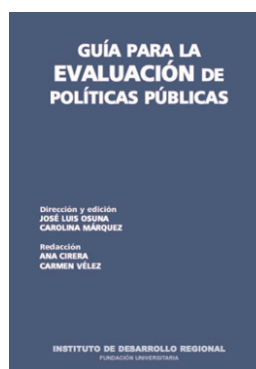
First National Congress on the State and Public Policy

FLACSO Argentina and the Metropolitan University for Education and Employment (UMET) are organizing the first National Congress on the State and Public Policy: "The modernization of the State as the third structural reform. Balance and perspective one year since the change in cycle." The Congress, coordinated by FLACSO Argentina's Area for the State and Public Policy, will be held on November 30th through December 1st, 2016 and will take place simultaneously at the headquarters of both institutions. Enrollment for the Congress is open until November 29th. <http://politicaspublicas.flacso.org.ar/>



Guide for Public Policy Evaluation

The evaluation of public policy as a social discipline gives rise to a multiplicity of methodologies, theoretical perspectives, and practices. One of the most valued perspectives is that which is presented in the Guide for Public Policy Evaluation, a systematic collection of diverse evaluation models. The guide focuses on the key concepts and tools for analysis that support a flexible and broad methodological framework that can be adapted to the evaluation of public intervention plans and programs. The publication, directed by José Luis Osuna Llana, is available at the following link: <https://goo.gl/1XPKd1>



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