

ANNEX 3: CONFERENCE ASSESSMENT

Questionnaires were collected from 50 respondents out of nearly 90 conference participants. The following are the findings:

SUBJECT MATTER

The results show a general **high appreciation** for the theme and conference structure. Seventy-two percent of respondents answered that they were “very satisfied” with the conference overall. The majority of participants indicated that all three conference objectives were “achieved” (see Question 1). The conference theme ‘use of evaluation’, was primarily found to be “very relevant” to national evaluation capacities (see Question 2). The majority also found the sub-themes of ‘systemic factors contributing to use of evaluation and establishing evaluation systems’ “very relevant.” However, ‘impact of audits and budgeting and monitoring’ and ‘how it facilitates use of evaluation’ were both considered 50 percent “relevant.” Some respondents found them altogether “irrelevant” or did not comment on them.

STRUCTURE:

The plenary presentation method was reported as the most valuable (34 percent) method of subject delivery. However, many (28 percent) valued the combination of methods. Regarding the panels that were held in parallel, respondents suggested providing videos of all presentations at the conference close so that participants could listen to all presentations. Although most reported that they were “somewhat satisfied” or higher with sessions lengths, they commented that there could have been more time for networking and breaks in between sessions to absorb all of the information. Most respondents found the kiosks facility to be “somewhat satisfying.” Conference resources were viewed positively, with most participants rating them “very satisfactory.”

QUESTION 1: WERE THE FOLLOWING CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES, AS DESCRIBED IN THE CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK, ACHIEVED?	EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS	ACHIEVED OBJECTIVE	DID NOT ACHIEVE OBJECTIVE	N/A
Share experiences—challenges and opportunities in use of evaluation for public policies and programmes—from countries with different levels of development of national monitoring and evaluation systems, including those that may be considering creating one and have important experiences with other types of evaluation efforts	40%	60%	0%	0%
Identify lessons and constraints in implementing national monitoring and evaluation systems with a focus on use of evaluation	28%	72%	0%	0%
Identify supply and demand for technical assistance in strengthening institutional capacity for national use of evaluation under the umbrella of South-South and triangular cooperation	22%	54%	20%	4%

QUESTION 2: HOW RELEVANT DID YOU FIND THE CONFERENCE THEMES AND SUB-THEMES?	VERY RELEVANT	RELEVANT	SOMEWHAT RELEVANT	IRRELEVANT	N/A
The use of evaluation	72%	26%	2%		
Systemic factors contributing to the use of evaluation	64%	32%	4%		
Impact of audits and budgeting in evaluation	28%	50%	16%	2%	4%
Monitoring and how it facilitates the use of evaluation	38%	50%	10%		2%
Establishing evaluation systems, taking the use of evaluation into account	62%	34%	4%		