# Annex 2: Abstract submission template (to be uploaded to the submission portal)

**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION TEMPLATE**

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| Preferred format: | □ Formal presentation (maximum 10 minutes)  □ Participation in a panel discussion where the experience can be shared  □ Participation in an interactive session where the example can be shared, without a formal presentation  □ Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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**Abstract Text (max. 500 words)**

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| Glocal Evaluation Week is an annual festival where the global and local M&E community gathers to discuss evaluation trends. gLOCAL 2024 focused on the theme of evaluation and transformational change, inviting a discussion on balancing ambition and realism. Transformational change, as understood here, refers to deep, systemic, and sustainable change with the potential to address the most pressing development challenges (World Bank). One of these critical challenges is gender inequality.  Out of the 370 events held during gLOCAL 2024, more than 40 were dedicated to gender equality and evaluation. These sessions initiated debates on how evaluation can contribute to transformational change that address gender-based inequalities across different regions and countries.  This panel presentation will analyze the main trends, challenges, and opportunities identified by M&E practitioners and organizations, including international organizations, governments, academia, and civil society, during their gLOCAL events. The author will present the results of a content analysis of gLOCAL events focused on gender equality, providing an overview of the current debate at global and regional level. The goal is to deepen the conversation on the role of evaluation in driving transformation towards gender equality, and to invite the audience to reflect about the challenges and opportunities in their own evaluation practice. |

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