



STATEMENT

Cooperation on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance (DRG) evaluation

Croatian Evaluation Network & Western Balkans Evaluation Network
and
Hellenic Evaluation Society
and
Macedonian Evaluation Network
and
Polish Evaluation Society
and
Informal Network of Evaluators of Serbia
and
Turkish Monitoring and Evaluation Society
and
Ukrainian Evaluation Association

In May 2018, the International Organisation for Cooperation in Evaluation assigned to a partnership of seven Evaluation societies and networks in Europe to cooperate on the promotion of standard procedures for DRG evaluation in European countries and developing recommendations for integrating DRG into evaluation practices.

This Statement builds on the investigations on current state, awareness and understanding of DRG evaluation framework across Europe and the progress in creating awareness on DRG evaluation.

We the signatories of this statement agree to cooperate to create awareness on the importance of DRG evaluation across Europe and establish a solid foundation for capacity building for DRG evaluation skills, with the following objectives:

- **Strengthening integration of DRG in evaluative frameworks in Europe**
- **Implementing capacity building programs for DRG evaluation**

Supporting and empowering Evaluation societies, associations and networks across European countries to understand their potential in enabling evaluation environments and skillfully advocating for transparency of state governance, protection of human rights and contributing to resilient and united communities of Europe

We commit to regular assessment of the achievements and progress made on the matters agreed above and on the adoption of the appropriate measures in order to adequately react to the emerging evolution of DRG evaluation and the opportunities and challenges related thereto.

Additional signatories may adhere at any time.

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