

## Event: Does UK development aid work?

### Description

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Date: 17 July 2008

Venue: Wellcome Trust, London

### **ALL YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT THE THE EVALUATION OF BRITISH AID – BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK!**

3.30pm to 6.00pm (Registration from 3.00 pm) Book now – places limited!

Does British aid to poor countries work? Is the Department for International Development accountable for results? Is it a learning organization? These evaluation issues will be explored during a special event of the [UKES London Network](#) to be held on 17 July 2008.

Given tight budgetary constraints and the rapid expansion of United Kingdom funding for global poverty reduction, aid effectiveness has become an issue of salient political importance. The Independent Advisory Committee for Development Impact (IACDI) was established in November 2007 by the Secretary of State for International Development.

The Committee consists of six members and includes a participant observer from the National Audit Office and a senior civil servant with evaluation expertise. Its remit is to assess the independence and effectiveness of the evaluation function at the Department for International Development (DFID); to track the use of evaluation results; and to attest to the relevance of DFID's evaluation program.

To explore the potential contribution of IACDI to the development effectiveness of British aid as well as kick off a debate about the role of evaluation in development assistance, the meeting will host a panel consisting of **David Peretz, Chair of IACDI; Robert Picciotto, Committee member,** and **Nick York, Director of Evaluation, Department of International Development.** Ample time will be devoted to discussion and informal networking.

PS: The presenters' PowerPoint presentations can now be found online here: [Peretz](#), [Picciotto](#), [York](#).

**See Also:** [National Audit Office: Good Governance Review on DFID's Monitoring and Evaluation Arrangements](#)

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