Evidence for Policy Making and Implementation

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To address the twin challenges of poverty and inequality, in a way that truly impacts on people's lives, we need appropriate policy responses. Moreover, to formulate, reform and evaluate these policies, we need appropriate evidence on which to base them. This process of systematically harnessing the best available evidence to inform policy-making, called evidence for policy-making and implementation (EPM&I), is internationally advocated for its potential to contribute to more effective policy and implementation. In particular, by placing an emphasis on asking questions about the nature of the problem under scrutiny, how the problem has been addressed elsewhere and the cost, benefit and effectiveness of proposed interventions, the EPM&I approach builds capability to transform policy into action.

The course is designed to assist participants to use evidence to make well informed decisions about policies, programmes, projects and services and to improve government's impact on society.



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