Office of Development Effectiveness

Independent Evaluation Committee Communiqué

MEETING 25 August 2015

Evaluation advice

- > ODE provided an update to the Committee on the status of evaluations considered by the IEC out of session since the last IEC meeting, and noted those recently published.
- > ODE provided an update to the Committee on the status of current evaluations:
 - » Review of operational evaluations
 - » Teacher development evaluation
 - » Aid and business evaluation
 - » Economic infrastructure evaluation
 - » Australia's partnership with SPC evaluation
- > The Committee noted and endorsed the *revised terms of reference of the IEC* after proposing minor changes.
- > The Committee noted and gave positive feedback on the newly updated ODE website.
- > The Committee noted the status of *performance and quality analysis* by ODE.
- > The Committee noted ongoing work on developing a framework and forward work plan for ODE.
- The Committee provided feedback on the draft final report of the Operational evaluation of Mampu. It noted that while this was not a typical evaluation, it provided sensible advice on how to improve this large program.
- > The Committee discussed and endorsed the *draft evaluation plan of the trade policy and regulation evaluation* and provided useful feedback.
- The Committee acknowledged the improvements and revisions made to the report on 'Contribution of Australia Awards scholarships to Women's leadership Evaluation' and provided comments for improvement.
- > The Committee agreed to the plan for the review of uptake of ODE recommendations.

Other Business

> Nil

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Independent Evaluation Committee will be held on Tuesday 8 December 2015.

Jim Adams IEC Chair