

Our analysts work around the clock to compile a comprehensive list of all the events and conferences in the development sector that you will not find anywhere else. Below are some of the most noteworthy events in the sector.

# Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2024



## Skills and Training WG: Standards

This event is the quarterly in-person Skills & Training Working Group with a presentation from the British Standards Institution (BSI) and Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) on the topic of Standards. The discussion will provide an overview of standards and the importance of standards education, followed by insights into the importance of accepted standards in the education sector, and the challenges and steps involved in developing them.

Date and location: 01 February 2024 | London, United Kingdom

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/zjAAL>



## Workshop on Open Source key areas for Digital Autonomy

Three Directorate-Generals from the European Commission (Connect, DIGIT, and GROW) are joining forces to organize a physical event in Brussels to discuss Open Source in four key areas for Digital Autonomy.

Date and location: 01 February 2024 | Brussels, Belgium

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/s7yOy>



## From Research to Reality – digital solutions for European challenges

The event is dedicated to exploring and stimulating the dynamic interplay between cutting-edge research in digital technologies under Horizon Europe and the impactful digitalization initiatives within the Digital Europe Programme.

Date and location: 05-06 February 2024 | Brussels, Belgium

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/tqfO>



## The 5th Mediterranean Water Forum

The Fifth Mediterranean Water Forum, scheduled to be held from 5-7 February 2024, is a pivotal event co-organized by the Tunisian Government, the Mediterranean Water Institute (IME), and the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM).

Date and location: 5-7 February 2024 | Tunis, Tunisia

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/GgBiG>



## **3rd Hybrid Training Course on Nature-Based Solutions for Disaster and Climate Resilience**

This training course will introduce participants to the fundamentals of NbS and provide practical insights on their application in the face of climate change and disaster risks. The course will explore the basics of implementing NbS for resilience building and include case studies from various countries.

Date and location: **05 – 16 February 2024** | Bangkok, Thailand & Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/wTuK1>



## **Feminist and Ethical Artificial Intelligence for Social Impact**

Participants will learn the basics, gain skills, and build confidence to engage in social impact projects with machine learning components. If participants work in gender & social inclusion support, proposal development, program design, backstopping, and other non-technical areas, this training is for them.

Date and location: **05 – 16 February 2024** | Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/d5AR5>



## **World Bank at Mining Indaba 2024: Embracing the power of positive disruption: A bold new future for African mining**

As part of our mission, the World Bank, the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) will join African mining ministers, mining CEOs, development partners, and industry organizations in an open dialogue at Mining Indaba 2024 to help boost public-private cooperation in the mining sector.

Date and location: **05 - 08 February 2024** | Cape Town, South Africa

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/l34wm>



## **Intersection of Climate Change, Gender-Based Violence and other Harmful Practices**

The BEI 'Intersections with Climate Change' event series brings a focus on the intersections of climate change remediation and adaptation with other development priorities. Each event provides a platform for dialogue between experts and aims to highlight the issues and potential solutions, providing a platform for members and their key stakeholders to showcase the work they are conducting in these spaces and the remedies they are developing in these key intersections.

Date and location: **06 February 2024** | Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/FGunc>



## Webinar - Fighting greenwashing: the role of regulations to empower consumers

This webinar focused on combating greenwashing through regulatory frameworks. Hosted by the Consumer Information Programme of the One Planet Network, this session brings together leading experts and authorities in consumer protection, environmental sustainability, and regulatory compliance.

Date and location: 06 February 2024 | Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/Bhff2>



## Fifth Policy learning forum (PLF) on upskilling pathways: a vision for the future

In February 2024, Cedefop and the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) are organizing the fifth Policy Learning Forum on upskilling pathways: A Vision for the Future. Policy Learning Fora (PLF) on upskilling pathways is a series of policy learning events on the topic aimed at providing a platform for countries to come together to learn from one another and explore common challenges in upskilling adults.

Date and location: 06 - 07 February 2024 | Brussels, Belgium

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/b9J6f>



## South Asia Hydromet Forum IV- 2024

The Fourth South Asia Hydromet Forum (SAHF IV) will be held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, February 06-08, 2024. The South Asia Hydromet Forum is a platform for regional collaboration and capacity and knowledge exchange to enhance climate resilience through actionable hydrometeorological and early warning services. This is a critical foundation to manage and adapt to climate change. To date, three conferences have been held to bring key stakeholders together and discuss ways to deepen collaboration.

Date and location: 06 - 08 February 2024 | Colombo, Sri Lanka

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/8KZfv>



## EIB Group Forum 2024

The EIB Group Forum 2024 will take place on 7-8 February in Luxembourg. The event brings together key voices from the public and private sectors to discuss a range of issues, including social inequality, economic stability, digitalization, and the green transition.

Date and location: 07 - 08 February 2024 | Luxembourg

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/nZL85>



## World Sustainable Development Summit 2024

The World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) 2024 will take place on the theme, 'Leadership for Sustainable Development and Climate Justice'. The theme recognizes the complex, interconnected nature of challenges in achieving sustainable development and the importance of everyone in working towards creating a sustainable future. The event will explore adaptability, creativity, inclusivity, and resiliency of leadership to achieve sustainable development.

Date and location: 07 - 09 February 2024 | New Delhi, Delhi, India

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/tt0rp>



## EU-FarmBook Platform Pre-Launch | Exclusive online event

The EU-FarmBook platform is coming soon. Stakeholders, H2020 and Horizon Europe project coordinators, are invited to join an online event on 8 February 2024. This event will offer exclusive insights into the platform, showcasing its benefits and features.

Date and location: 08 February 2024 | Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/SXE23>



## Global Procurement Summit 2024

After the remarkable achievement of the Global Procurement Summit in the past few years, with delegates participating in the summit from various nationalities, AIMA in partnership with the Government of India and the World Bank announces Global Procurement Summit 2024, GPS 2024 scheduled on the 8th and 9th February 2024 at New Delhi. The Summit will bring together the most senior global and regional procurement community to through insights on the key areas required to improve in order to strengthen Procurement as a key function and hence contribute towards economic development.

Date and location: 08 February 2024 | New Delhi, India

Registration information: <https://www.aima.in/events/global-procurement-summit-2024>



## The Eighth Global Meeting of the Farmers' Forum

The 2024 global meeting brings together more than 80 farmers' leaders from around the world, representing millions of smallholders and rural producers who work with IFAD and partner institutions. The meeting will take stock of progress, strengths, and areas to improve, as well as how to strengthen co-ownership and participation.

Date and location: 12 – 13 February 2024 | Rome, Italy

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/ZEVOS>



## Intersection of Climate Change and Food Security

For the next event in the "Intersections with Climate Change" series, focusing on the key intersection of Climate Change and Food Security, the panel will discuss how their organizations are adapting their approach in response to climate change across their programs and interventions to support and improve food security in a changing climate.

Date and location: 13 February 2024 | Virtual

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/ZPGeX>



## Change Management Fundamentals for Project Managers

Gain the skills to proactively and systematically engage participants' project stakeholders from initiation to closure, ensuring success for the rate, speed, and accuracy of the adoption of the change.

Date and location: 14 – 15 February 2024 | Virtual

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/ndp5f>



## From Science to Scale: Bridging the Talent Gap in Impact Startups in 2024

Through our work with dozens of science scale-ups, we've learned that leaders like you encounter similar challenges in the transition from building a product to scaling and commercializing that product: The emergence of silos between your business and science teams. This communication and collaboration disconnect negatively impacts your business performance and ability to scale quickly.

Date and location: 14 February 2024 | Virtual

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/QH94M>



## Working with the Caribbean Development Bank - Education and Social Inclusion

For the second in the series of events engaging with the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) will be joined by experts on Education and Social Development to share an overview of and insights into doing business with the CDB, navigating the procurement processes, and exploring opportunities in the education and social development sector.

Date and location: 15 February 2024 | Virtual

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/UoyuR>



## EIT 2024 Summit – INNOVEIT

It's starting INNOVEIT with the 2024 EIT Summit where participants will get to hear from a wide range of inspiring, high-level speakers across the policy, business, and innovation worlds. Also, get to see some of the best examples of new technology and innovation being developed within the EIT Community with the 2024 EIT Awards.

Date and location: 20 February 2024 | Brussels, Belgium

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/XW7WA>



## Addressing the Hidden Dimensions of Poverty in Knowledge and Policies

On 4 and 5 of December 2023, the European Commission will organise a conference in Brussels entitled "Food 2030: green and resilient food systems" to showcase achievements of EU food systems-related projects and explore future research and innovation orientations and levers of change. The EC aims to convene a wide range of actors and policymakers for this in-person event, which will also be web streamed and recorded for those unable to travel.

Date and location: 15 February 2024 | Preston Auditorium, World Bank HQ

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/C3eBf>



## OECD Forum on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Sector

The Forum brings together representatives of government, business, trade unions, civil society and academia to discuss key issues and risks related to due diligence in global garment and footwear supply chains in a neutral environment.

Date and location: 21-22 February 2024 | OECD Conference Centre, Paris & Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/Dgoto>



## Community Resilience Partnership Program (CRPP) Partnership Forum 2024

The CRPP Partnership Forum 2024 will focus on decentralization programs and skills development as key themes for addressing climate risk, reducing poverty, and promoting gender equality. With dedicated discussions, the forum will help inform practical ways to design and deliver such programs so that they respond to current and future climate risk, address the underlying causes of vulnerability, and empower communities, especially women. Discussion on these themes will also be linked to discussions that took place during CRPP Partnership Forum 2023 on adaptive social protection and climate-resilient rural livelihoods.

Date and location: 27 - 28 February 2024 | Bangkok, Thailand

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/xlRV6>



## Community Resilience Partnership Program (CRPP) Partnership Forum 2024: Call for Solutions

The 2nd CRPP Partnership Forum will bring together community leaders, government officials, think tanks, financing institutions, and global climate funds to discuss what role poverty reduction programs can play in building climate resilience. In particular, the forum will provide an opportunity to discuss how decentralization programs can provide opportunities for building climate resilience from the ground up and skill development for climate-resilient communities.

Date and location: 27 - 28 February 2024 | Bangkok, Thailand

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/8ZqsN>



# Enhancing and Refining the DAC Criteria through Evaluation Framework | Webinar



Date and location

08 February 2024 |

3 PM (Brussels)/9 AM (Washington DC) | online

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Program Link:

<https://www.developmentaid.org/link/XwQ99>

The evaluation criteria of the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) have been widely used in the development cooperation sector, being largely seen as a reference evaluation framework.

Built upon the logical framework, the six criteria in the DAC evaluation framework are sufficiently flexible to be adapted for any project or public policy. However, the DAC criteria remain general and do not deal with various aspects such as participation, gender issues, etc. If an evaluation uses the DAC criteria alone, it may miss an important approach by which to assess the success and difficulties of the project.

In need of more precise tools, the health and education sectors have developed numerous evaluation criteria for specific topics. Water and sanitation, agriculture, livelihoods, gender inequality, human rights, and other sectors have also developed specific evaluation criteria, albeit fewer than those used by the health or education sectors. Some of the newly developed evaluation criteria are believed to be more precise than the DAC criteria and can be adapted for all manner of projects.

The multitude of evaluation frameworks allows evaluators to mobilize several specific criteria (DAC or other) that can be tailored to the needs of their mission. This not only improves the transparency of the evaluation process but also facilitates analysis and data collection work.

**DevelopmentAid**, in collaboration with **Bertrand Arribe**, invites you to attend the webinar on “Enhancing and Refining the DAC Criteria through Evaluation Framework” which will take place on 08 February 2024 at 3 pm (Brussels)/9 am (Washington DC).

## Key takeaways:

- Understand how to mobilize several evaluation framework criteria
- Keep abreast of other evaluation framework criteria other than DAC
- Learn how to combine evaluation framework criteria
- Improve your understanding of how to improve the DAC evaluation framework criteria

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