

The IICD approach to M&E and Impact Assesment

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 Since 1997: ICT as a tool for development: using modern and traditional media

 Based in The Netherlands; working with local partners in Ecuador, Bolivia, Jamaica, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Mali, Burkina Faso and Ghana.

 Active in Livelihoods (agriculture), Governance, Health, Environment and Education



Basic ideas behind M&E system

- Based on (commercial) consumer research
- Progress in satisfaction and impact, not ex post
- M&E for learning: split between M&E data and data for accountability (financial and progress reports)
- Building trust with partners/users:
 - Auto evaluation
 - Support by local partner
 - Build-up of methodology over the years (from start-up to independent continuation)
- Opinions from project team members, members of networks, participants to trainings and <u>end users</u>



Pillars of the M&E system

- Online (and offline) questionnaires, linked to a database (quantitative data: "WHAT?")
 - Questionnaires measure profile, use, satisfaction, impact
 - Anonymous questionnaires -> honest feedback
- Local (independent) M&E partner, responsible for:
 - Sampling users with the project partners, support in collection of questionnaires
 - Analyses of data
 - Presentation of data and facilitation of Focus Groups



Pillars of the M&E system (2)

- Focus Group meetings (qualitative data: "WHY?", "and now what?")
 - Bases on themes from data analysis
 - Project team members (learning at sector level)
 - End users (learning at project level)

Learning reports

- Data analysis
- Outcomes
 Focus Group
 discussions
- Lessons learned
- Summaries and other publications





🖊 IICD - Online Survey Tool - Windows Internet Explorer





http://www.survey.iicd.org/





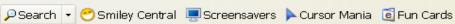
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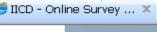




























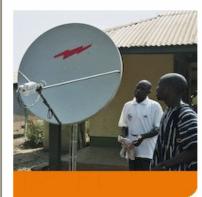
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Online survey tool

▶ Welcome

- Print questionnaires
- Count questionnaire
- About
- ▶ Login



Welcome

IICD provides advice and support to local organisations in developing countries to benefit from the potential of information and communication technologies - ICT's. This website is the online tool for monitoring and evaluation of IICD's country programmes.

Select your questionnaire

Project users

Education Project Education project - Students **Environment Project** Good-Governance Project Health Project Livelihood Opportunities Project

Project team members and managers

Project Formulation Project Implementation

Global Teenager

GTP Students GTP Teachers

Training and Seminar Participants

Capacity Development part 1 Capacity Development part 2 Round table workshop Seminar

National ICT for Development Network

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Other

Cuestionario Ciudadanía Informada Cuestionario Radio La Luna Online open space CP team Farmers and ICT initiatives

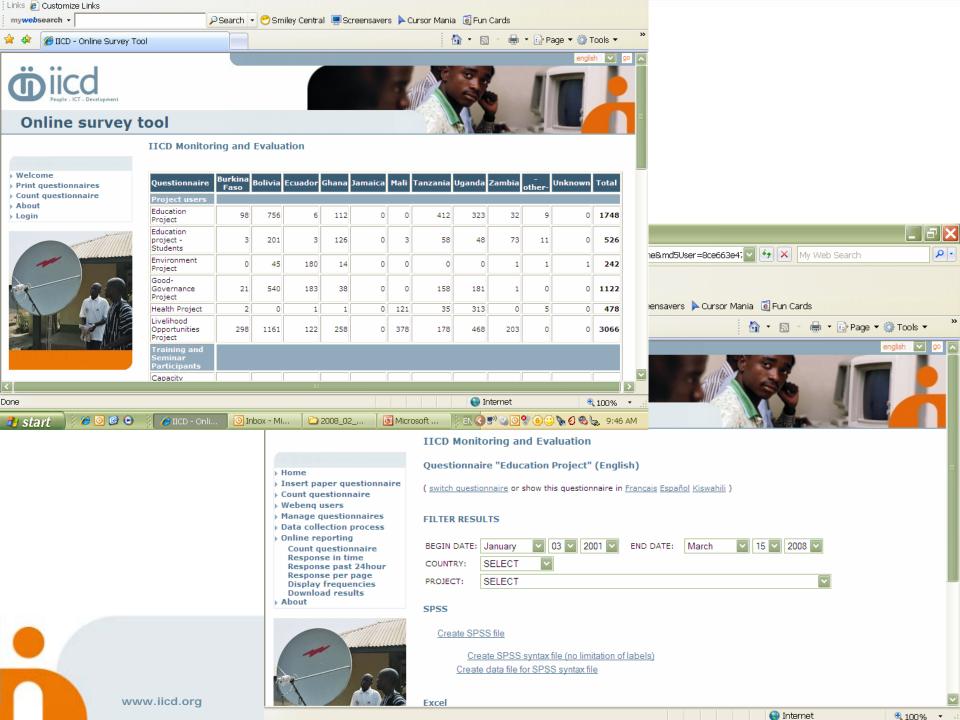
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Impact assessment

- Impact calculation by means of statements:
 - Awareness, empowerment, impact on the sector, economic impact, negative impact
 - For example:
 - Through this project I have gained useful computer skills
 - Through this project I am more involved in decision making processes in my work place / community
 - This project has resulted in more customised patient records

Conscious decisions:

- Impact as perceived by the users
- Impact on sector level:
 - Generic questionnaire for all countries, all projects: comparisons over time and between projects, but little specialisation per project



Examples in practice

- ECAMIC project (SEND foundation, Ghana)
 - Lower impact on women... how come?

- Digitalization of the Municipal counsel (Kinondoni, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania)
 - Showing satisfaction of technical support by users through role play... and follow up





(Future) challenges

- Use of lessons learned (successes and failures), with projects and in IICD
- M&E for countries/projects in independent continuation:
 - Features in M&E tool eLearning
 - Training for project partners (interpretation of data, facilitation)
 - Priorities for the partners; build up over time
- Impact assessment with beneficiaries
 - End user: (s)he who actually deals with the information (Hospital patients and Municipal clients vs. Farmers and health practitioners)
 - Impact on the greater community: those NOT involved with the project?