

# Invitation for EPDET 2012 - Development Evaluation Training

European offering of International Programme for Development Evaluation Training

**EPDET 2012**  
**16<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>th</sup> September 2012**  
**hotel Kormorán, Čilistov**  
**Slovak Republic**

(<http://www.hotelkormoran.sk/en/kormoran-hotel-samorin-slovakia/>)

Slovak Evaluation Society and Development Worldwide (DWW) have the pleasure to invite you to the European Program for Development Evaluation Training - EPDET 2012, to continue the tradition of this European summer school. Mini-IPDET started in 2007 (see section Czech DET at [www.dww.cz](http://www.dww.cz)).

The core curriculum of the training follows a successful scheme of the Summer school IPDET ([www.ipdet.org](http://www.ipdet.org)), organized annually by Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada.

EPDET 2012 will be provided in English again by top lecturers Ms. Linda G. Morra Imas and Mr. Ray C. Rist, the President of IDEAS (International Development Evaluation Association [www.ideas-int.org](http://www.ideas-int.org)), which is an independent association of evaluation professionals. The training is recommended for evaluators and managers of development projects and programs.

The training graduates will obtain Certificate of the IPDET.

European offering of the International Programme for Development Evaluation Training (IPDET) is organized by Slovak Evaluation Society and Development Worldwide (DWW).



The all-inclusive participant fee will be max. 1090 Euro. Please, note that we are working to secure funding to lower costs. If successful, we will reduce the fee accordingly and confirm the final fee before the invoice is issued. The fee includes tuition, accommodation and board as well as joint transportation from Bratislava and back. Participants will receive both printed and electronic versions of the training manual and other training material.

Accommodation for participants will be offered in fully equipped single hotel rooms. Full board will be arranged beginning with dinner on Sunday 16 September and finishing with lunch on Saturday 22 September 2012. Transport to the hotel will be organized by hotel mini-bus from Bratislava on Sunday 16 September in the afternoon and the return on Saturday 22 September, 2012 in the afternoon.

Capacity of the training is limited, therefore we kindly ask all applicants to confirm their interest until 31 May 2012 by email to EPDET program manager: Ms. Dagmar Gombitova ([gombitova@evaluation.sk](mailto:gombitova@evaluation.sk)) and fill in the [application form](#).

Further information, payment instructions, and details on the training will be distributed to the applicants by the end of June 2012.

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## ***EPDET Lecturers***

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### **Ray C. Rist, consultant to the World Bank**

is creator and co-director of IPDET and current President of IDEAS. Retired from the Independent Evaluation Group of the World Bank, Dr. Rist continues advising organizations and national governments throughout the world on how to design and build results-based M&E systems. His career includes 15 years in the United States Government with senior appointments in both the executive and legislative branches, and he has held professorships at Johns Hopkins, Cornell, and George Washington Universities and been a Fulbright fellow at the Max Planck Institute. He has authored or edited 26 books, written more than 140 articles, and lectured in more than 75 countries. Dr. Rist serves on the editorial boards of nine professional journals and chairs an international working group that collaborates on research related to evaluation and governance.

### **Linda G. Morra Imas, consultant to the World Bank**

is creator and co-director of IPDET and has more than 30 years of experience with private and public sector evaluation and training in monitoring and evaluation throughout the world. She currently holds the position of the Secretary of IDEAS and leads its Initiative on Competencies for International Development Evaluators. Linda is co-author of the new comprehensive text, *The Road to Results: Designing and Conducting Effective Development Evaluations*. Recently retired as chief evaluation officer and advisor, evaluation capacity development, from the Independent Evaluation Group, World Bank Group, Dr. Morra Imas consults on monitoring and evaluation for the World Bank and other organizations and national governments. She is former director of education and employment program evaluation for the U.S. Government Accountability Office and has taught program evaluation at George Washington University as an adjunct professor.

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## **Preliminary Program of the EPDET 2012**

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### **Day One Sunday 16.09.2012 (evening)**

- Welcome & Introductions
- Program Overview and Course Objectives

### **Day One Monday 17.09.2012**

- Challenges in Evaluation in the Region
- Introducing Development Evaluation
- Building a Result-Based Monitoring and Evaluation System
- Small Group Work – Discussing the Case Studies

### **Day Two Tuesday 18.09.2012**

- Understanding the Evaluation Context and Program Theory of Change (2 lessons)
- Small Group Work – Developing the Program Theory of Change
- Developing Evaluation Questions and Starting the Design Matrix

### **Day Three Wednesday 19.09.2012**

- Selecting Designs for Cause-and-Effect, Descriptive and Normative Questions
- Small Group Work – Evaluation Questions
- Free afternoon - field Trip

### **Day Four Thursday 20.09.2012**

- Selecting and Constructing Data Collection Instruments
- Choosing the Sampling Strategy
- Planning for and Conducting Data Analysis
- Small Group Work – Evaluation Design

### **Day Five Friday 21.09.2012**

- Managing an Evaluation
- Presenting Results
- Questions and Answers Round Table
- Small Group Work: Completing the Design Matrix
- Graduation Dinner

### **Day Six Saturday 22.09.2012**

- Group Work Presentations: Project Logic Model & Evaluation Design Matrix
- Evaluation of the Training
- Departure to Bratislava

*Final program will be confirmed by 31 July, 2012*

**Apply online [here!](#)**

*Questions or requests for additional information may be addressed directly to Ms. Dagmar Gombitová, EPDET program manager ([gombitova@evaluation.sk](mailto:gombitova@evaluation.sk))*