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## **5<sup>th</sup> APEA Conference and EvalVision Asia 2025** **in collaboration with JES and CEval** **Tokyo, Japan | 11– 14 November 2025**

### **Institutionalization of Evaluation and Strengthening Capacity Building in Evaluation in Asia Pacific Region**

The Asia Pacific continues to face significant challenges, such as income inequality, poverty, conflict, climate change, and food insecurity. To address these issues and accelerate progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the institutional development of robust monitoring, evaluation and learning (MEL) systems, along with capacity building, are critical. The Institutionalization and use of national M&E systems and Embedding robust MEL frameworks within institutions ensures transparency, enhances evidence-based decision-making, and fosters adaptive strategies that drive long-term, sustainable development. Strengthening partnerships at global, regional, and local levels is becoming increasingly important, as it enables the exchange of knowledge, the scaling of best practices, and the inclusive implementation of solutions.

In response to these pressing challenges, the [Asia Pacific Regional Evaluation Strategy \(APRES\)](#) was developed in December 2020 by the Asia Pacific Evaluation Association (APEA), EvalYouth Asia, the Parliamentarians Forum for Development Evaluation – South Asia (PFDE-SA), and other key partners. APRES focuses on advancing the use of evaluation to positively contribute to national development goals and the SDGs across the Pacific region.

Building on the insights accumulated from past conferences and the progress made through APRES and thematic groups supporting the implementation of APRES, this year's conference will delve into the driving and hindering forces affecting the institutionalization and use of evaluation across countries and continents. Inspired by the findings of the Center for Evaluation (CEval) Evaluation Globe project, the conference aims to generate discussions that will shape more effective strategies for institutionalizing evaluation practices globally.

Additionally, this conference will align with the goals of the Japan Evaluation Society (JES) to promote the strengthening of research and practice in evaluation and the development of human resources to realize and disseminate practical and useful evaluation.

By focusing on institutionalization and capacity building, the 5th APEA Conference aims to empower organizations across the Asia Pacific region with the skills and structures necessary to embed robust evaluation mechanisms within their operations.

The 5th APEA Conference will also be part of EvalVisionAsia 2025 to celebrate the Asia Pacific's accomplishments in 2025 and to prepare and welcome 2026.

## Organizing Partners

The [Asia Pacific Evaluation Association \(APEA\)](#) is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that aims to improve the theory, practice, and use of evaluation across the Asia-Pacific region. Our members are national and thematic voluntary evaluation associations, and we represent 40+ countries in the region.

[Japan Evaluation Society \(JES\)](#) was founded in September 2000 as a voluntary association of scholars, government officials, and practitioners for the purpose of fostering an “evaluation culture” in Japan. JES aims to contribute to the improvement in transparency and accountability of the public sector, as well as the enhancement of resource management in the private sector.

[Center for Evaluation \(CEval\), University of Saarland, Germany](#) is a research, consulting and educational institution that is unique in Germany. Since 2002 they have been conducting evaluations in different fields of civil society and state action, advising public and private organisations on the development of monitoring systems and evaluation concepts, and providing academic and non-academic education and training programmes in the field of monitoring and evaluation (M&E).

## Target Audience:

The audience ranges from evaluation practitioners, researchers, development professionals, and government officials to NGOs and private sector actors.

## Programme Structure

The conference program will be co-created by the hosts, blending the progress and achievements of JES and CEval with the eight thematic areas of APRES. This collaborative approach ensures a comprehensive and inclusive agenda that reflects diverse perspectives on evaluation. Throughout the working group discussions and various sessions, participants will engage in meaningful dialogue about the challenges and future directions for institutionalization and organizational capacity building in evaluation within the Asia Pacific region. The conference will include a combination of selected sessions along with a possibility of future call for papers/proposals.

### Conference Day 1: 11 November 2025

The pre-conference workshops

### Conference Days 2 and 3: 12 & 13 November 2025

The main conference, including inauguration, keynotes, plenary sessions, parallel working group discussions, and parallel sessions

### Conference Day 4: 14 November 2025

The main conference, including the closing session and the information exchange/cultural visit

## Venue

Conference Day 1 to 3 (11 to 13 November): National Center of Sciences, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Conference Day 4 (14 November): United Nations University, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

## Partners

- The main co-organizers of the event are APEA, JES, and CEval
- JES as the national VOPE will be the local host of the conference

**We invite partners and sponsors to contribute to the success of the conference.** To learn more or become a partner, please contact:

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