

# **Reviewing evaluation frameworks** A systematic approach

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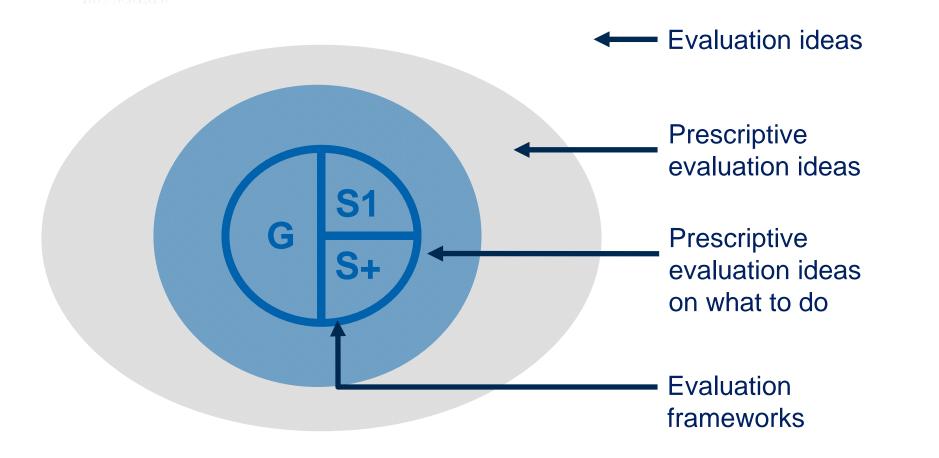


- Dr. Ghislain Arbour
  - Meaning and importance, dimensions of analysis

- Professor Janet Clinton
  - The practicalities of reviewing frameworks

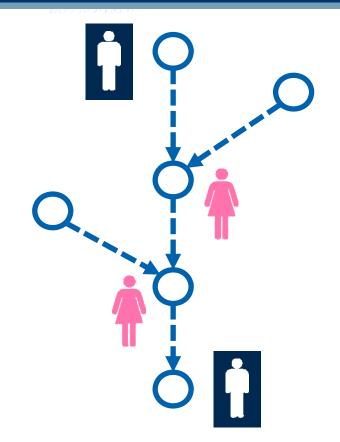


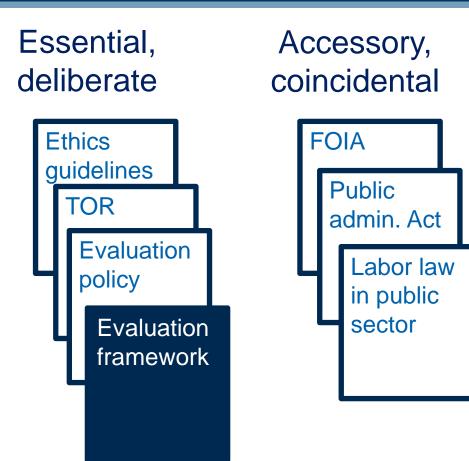
#### What are evaluation frameworks?





#### Framework as Institution: an intervention on evaluation





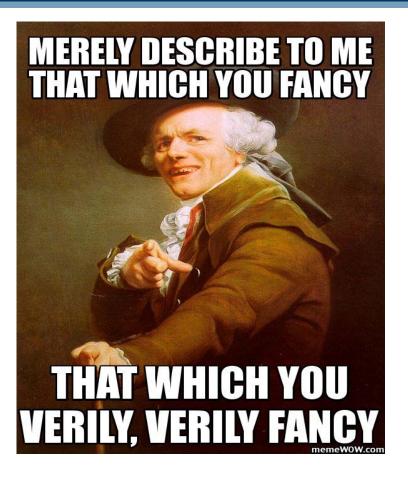


#### Dimensions of analysis to uncover the framework

- Scope: Evaluation, some evaluations, an evaluation
- Statement 'strenght': strategies, norms, rules
- Object(s): Process and/or Content
- Decisions affected: who, deontic, what, conditions,
- Level of operationalization: values vs indicators, detailed orders vs general principles

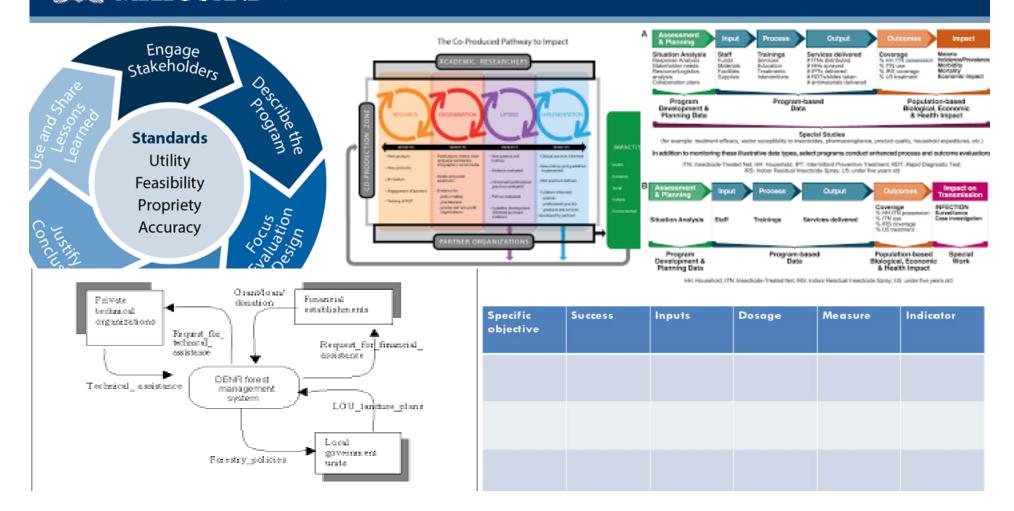


# Confusion about the nature of evaluation frameworks



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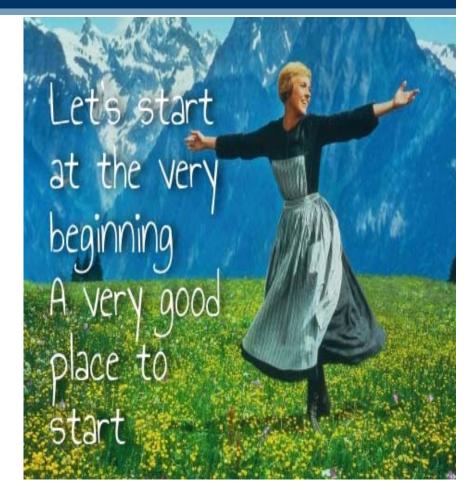
#### Different perspectives on evaluation frameworks





# Start at the beginning

- What do 'we' mean by framework?
- What's the purpose?
- Who's the audience?
- Context/System etc.
- What's the end game





# Developing a general methodology for reviewing

- Multiple sources
  - Evaluation checklists
  - Evaluation standards
  - Research Literature
  - Theoretical
- Different methods for development of the various types
- The nature of a good evaluation





## A process for reviewing

- Literature review
- Developed & published frameworks
- Systems for development
- Practice and expertise





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### **Content dimensions**

- Policy-Evident
- Intervention clarity
- Evaluation framework readiness
- Stakeholders- propriety
- Evaluator/Evaluation resources -Feasibility/Propriety

- Methodologies- feasibility
- Organisational structures -Accountability
- Context- propriety
- Evaluation theory -Accuracy
- Articulation of plan, dissemination and evaluation use - Utility



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# Developing and building a rubric

Policy-Evident	Non existent	Emergent	Developed	Fully Developed	Comment	Develop an explanation of
Intervention						
Theory of change present						<ul> <li>elements e.g.,</li> <li>An explicit theory of change</li> <li>or purpose /thinking behind</li> </ul>
Clarity of purpose intervention						
Evidence base for						
change/enablers		_				the program
Expectations short-term long- term intermediate articulated				$\square$		Outputs & outcomes are reasonable & realistic
Evaluation framework readiness						
Needs assessment evident						
Priorities clear						
Program logic evident & quality						
Reach evident/ sensible						
Readiness to evaluate						
Success Indicators developed						
Stakeholders- propriety						Measuring the status
Is the stakeholder voice at the centre?			•			of the elements?
Community engagement evident						
Equity considered						



## What about a standard?

- Fluidity of evaluation
- Adaptive and agile
- Set the standard-value it!
- Score system based on level of development
  - Non-existent
  - Emergent
  - Developed
  - Fully Developed





#### What next?

#### **Questions?**





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