UN and Evaluation

✦ does NOT evaluate member countries
✦ facilitates:
  – exchange of experiences
  – identification of best practices
  – setting benchmarks
✦ assists self-evaluations
Evaluation

♦ What
♦ Why
♦ Who
♦ How
♦ When

WHAT is program evaluation?

♦ process of measuring against objectives:
  – outputs
  – outcomes
  – impacts
WHY carry out evaluation?

- ensure program is having intended effects
- improve its operations

WHO carries out evaluations?

- Agency level and government-wide
  - expert
  - peer
  - self
  - the public
HOW to learn from other countries?

♦ look at others with similar backgrounds
♦ examine their program components
♦ identify best practices
♦ adapt and adopt

WHEN carry out evaluation?

♦ agency level: evaluation cycle
♦ country level: precipitating factors
  – scandals
  – policy changes
  – modernization
  – indicator of political will
Public Service Ethics in Africa Project

- comparative study of 10 countries:
  - Cameroon, Gabon, Nigeria, Senegal
  - Kenya, Uganda
  - Madagascar, Mozambique?, Namibia, South Africa

- joint effort of UNDP Africa/UN DESA

Public Service Ethics in Africa Project (continued)

- assist countries to improve ethics programs
  - survey existing ethics policies and programs
  - identify regional best practices
  - set regional benchmarks
Rabat Declaration

♦ 2nd Pan-African Conference of Civil Service Ministers
♦ 34 countries
♦ the African Civil Service: *New Challenges, Professionalism and Ethics*

Rabat Declaration (continued)

♦ African Public Service Charter
♦ Code of Conduct for African Civil Servants
♦ reaffirmation of values to promote professionalism and ethics in Africa
Evaluation as Opportunity

♦ a chance to learn and improve
♦ an occasion to share and teach
♦ promotion of technical cooperation