Building Evaluation Capacity for a New Age

October 1, 8, & 15, 12-4 pm ET | Virtual Event

Call for Proposals

Who   The Indiana Evaluation Association (IEA) seeks proposals from a diverse group of presenters to be a part of IEA's 2021 **virtual conference**.

What   IEA seeks presenters who will share their knowledge, with the aim of strengthening the evaluation-related skills of our conference participants.

When   Proposals are due at 5 pm ET on **June 11**[th]
Presenters will be notified no later than **July 23**[rd]

Where   Submit proposals or any questions you have to Tessa Skidmore, IEA Program Committee Chair, at tessaboeing@gmail.com

Conference Theme

We are interested in a variety of sessions related to our theme of **building evaluation capacity for a new age**. IEA serves members and participants with diverse backgrounds and levels of evaluation experience; we are seeking sessions that speak to this range of skills and expertise. This may include sessions around foundational or advanced evaluation methodologies; communication, dissemination, or visualization of evaluation findings; stakeholder engagement strategies; or other key evaluator competencies. We are particularly interested in sessions that **strengthen cultural competence** and **foster diversity, equity, and inclusion** in evaluation practices.

Session Types

Sessions will be **75 minutes** long and may include the following formats (we are also open to alternative session formats):

- **Workshop:** Workshops teach a specific skill needed by many evaluators. They show how to use or apply an evaluation concept/tool and should include one or more activities that allow attendees to practice using this skill.

- **Panel:** This formal, thematic, presentation focuses on an issue facing the field of evaluation. The general format is to provide a coordinated presentation by two or more panelists, and possibly a discussant, on the general topic of the panel.

- **Expert Lecture:** Expert lectures are presentations by a single expert who shares conceptual or methodological innovations through a lecture followed by a Q&A.

- **Think Tank:** A think tank is a session focusing on a single issue or question. Initially, a chairperson orients participants to the issue or question and relevant context. Then, participants break into small groups to explore the issue or question and reconvene to share their enhanced understanding through a discussion facilitated by the chairperson.

Proposal Application

Please complete the following information and return to tessaboeing@gmail.com by **June 11, 2021**.

Presentation Title

(approx. 15 words or less)

Session Dates

Please indicate the date(s) you are available (select all that apply). Sessions will take place from 12-4 pm ET.

- Friday, October 1
- Friday, October 8
- Friday, October 15

Session Format

Please indicate your preferred format (select one). Sessions will be 75 minutes long.

- Workshop
- Panel
- Expert Lecture
- Think Tank
- Other (please specify): _____

AEA Evaluator Competencies

Please indicate which of the AEA Evaluator Competencies your session builds (select all that apply). You can learn more about these competencies here: https://www.eval.org/About/Competencies-Standards/AEA-Evaluator-Competencies. You will be asked to explain how your section builds on these competencies later in the application.

- **Professional Practice**: Focuses on what makes evaluators distinct as practicing professionals.

- **Methodology**: Focuses on technical aspects of evidence-based, systematic inquiry for valued purposes.

- **Context**: Focuses on understanding the unique circumstances, multiple perspectives, and changing settings of evaluations and their users/stakeholders.

- **Planning & Management**: Focuses on determining and monitoring work plans, timelines, resources, and other components needed to complete and deliver an evaluation study.

- **Interpersonal**: Focuses on human relations and social interactions that ground evaluator effectiveness for professional practice throughout the evaluation.

Session Summary (100 words or less)

Please provide a brief summary of your session **to be used in the conference program**, including what knowledge and/or skills participants will gain.

Session Design and Delivery (500 words or less)

Please provide an overview of how you will deliver your session, specifically highlighting **how you will engage participants in interactive learning** (e.g., breakout rooms, polling, chat prompts, sticky notes, whiteboarding) and **how you will build the AEA Evaluator Competencies** you selected previously.

Skill Level

Please indicate the level(s) of evaluation experience your session is best suited for (select all that apply):

- Beginner
- Intermediate
- Advanced

Recording

Do you give IEA permission to record your session so conference participants can access it at a later time?

- Yes
- No

Blog Post

In addition to presenting, would you be interested in sharing about your session topic in a blog or other short, written format?

- Yes
- No

Presenter Information

Presenter 1

Presenter Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Email Address:	
Phone:	
Bio (150 words or less):	

Presenter 2

Presenter Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Email Address:	
Phone:	
Bio (150 words or less):	

Presenter 3

Presenter Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Email Address:	
Phone:	
Bio (150 words or less):	

Presenter 4

Presenter Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Email Address:	
Phone:	
Bio (150 words or less):	

Thank you for your interest in presenting at IEA!