Balanced Design, Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Learning (BalanceD-MERL)

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Hypothesis

Relevant

Right-sized

Responsible

Trustworthy

Utilization-focused
Process

Create foundational material

External peer review and finalize

Test through the provision of Technical Assistance

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Refine materials
## Maturity Matrix

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<th>Categories</th>
<th>Principles</th>
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Activity

• Pair with the person(s) sitting next to you
• Take 5-10 minutes to read through the Matrix Summary, with a focus on the Balanced column
• Discuss and document your answers to the following questions:
  • To what extent do you find this framework to be relatable to your work and applicable to D-MERL practices within your organization and/or the development industry? Why or why not?
  • Thinking about your organization, where are you most Balanced? Where do you fall short of Balance? Why?
  • In what ways, if at all, could you see your organization using this matrix?
Questions & Discussion