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Report of the Director-General

Addendum

Updates information provided in document IDB.31/3.

1. Chapter VI of the report on evaluation activities provided information concerning the evaluation policy that was under preparation at the time of writing (IDB.31/3, paras. 16-18). Subsequently the evaluation policy was issued as a Director-General's Bulletin (UNIDO/DGB(M).98) on 22 May 2006.
2. Taking account of this important development, the draft decision contained in paragraph 24 of document IDB.31/3 has been amended to refer to the evaluation policy. Other minor corrections to the draft decision have also been introduced.

Action required of the Board

3. The Board may wish to consider adopting the following draft decision:
 - “The Industrial Development Board:
 - “(a) Recalls its decision IDB.29/Dec.7;
 - “(b) Takes note of the information provided in documents IDB.31/3 and Add.1;
 - “(c) Underlines that the primary objective of evaluation is to ensure accountability, provide recommendations to management, and drive organizational learning and innovation;

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“(d) Encourages the use of findings and lessons drawn from evaluation for organizational learning and improvement;

“(e) Welcomes the introduction by the Director-General of the new UNIDO evaluation policy and supports its implementation;

“(f) Requests the Director-General to continue fostering an enabling environment for evaluation reflecting the principles agreed upon by the United Nations Evaluation Group and contained in the norms and standards for evaluation in the United Nations system.”
