

1. Name and acronym of organization (VOPE)	Bosnian Evaluation Society
2. Geographic scope of organization	National: Bosnia and Herzegovina
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4. a. Current formal/registered membership – numbers of individuals, by their affiliation (if known; please at least give total) 4. b. Informal membership (persons on your mailing list)	Government: 2 NGOs/CSOs: 1 Academics: 1 Private sector (consultants): 2 Other: a. Total official membership: 6 b. Total informal membership: 23
5. Year VOPE was founded	2012
6. Current status (identify which)	Legally recognized by government
7. Information about growth: evolution of the number of members or financial resources in the last 5 years.	---
8. Purpose and mission of VOPE	BES is established to serve wide community of those interested in development of evaluation theory and practice as one of the key means of development of culture of accountability and transparency within BiH society.
9. Current strategy and emphasis	Growth of formal and informal members and positioning within field
10. Organizational capacity: Please describe your governance structure, leadership, services provided, finances, human resources, linkages with other organizations, etc.	President, President of the Board, Secretary. President is the main driver of change. We started formal and informal networking, meetings, and visiting Evaluation society of Slovenia sharing experiences with them. Human resources are limited to constrained voluntary actions of mainly four people. We established good relationship with Slovenian Evaluation Society and with one local NGO. Financial resources are non-existent; expenses are financed by members from the pocket. From march next year we plan to introduce some membership fees, but firstly we want to provide some tangible services.
11. Means of communication with members, e.g. newsletter, listserv, publication, website	Meetings, e mails, website
12. Past events (e.g. during past year)	Visit to Slovenia round table
13. Forthcoming key events/conferences – dates, location	We plan to make conference in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina in cooperation with Slovenian Evaluation Society. It is meant to be first regional conference and first conference in the region on the monitoring and evaluation topic. If we do not secure resources it will be regional meeting, or round table among enthusiastic people from the region.
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15. Date of this update	23.OCT. 2012

I. Experience with Evaluation Capacity Building

1. Background: Please provide a brief history of the formation of this organization (VOPE). 1.1 Who were/are the key players?	
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<p>1.2 How many members do you have on your governing board/ committee?</p> <p>1.3 What are the main existing strengths that your VOPE is trying to capitalize on?</p> <p>1.4 What are the main challenges that your VOPE is trying to address?</p>	
<p>2. Organizational motivation: What were/are the driving forces of the VOPE and its historical development?</p>	
<p>3. Evaluation Capacity Building: What has your VOPE done to promote evaluation (M&E) capacity?</p>	
<p>4. Context / target entities: More specifically, who are the persons or institutions your organization seeks to influence (to strengthen evaluation capacity)? For example:</p> <p>4.1 Technical capacities to <i>supply</i> quality evaluations, partnering with experts, local universities or others to provide training for members, etc.;</p> <p>4.2 Strengthening VOPE organizational capacity itself;</p> <p>4.3 Enhancing the enabling environment for evaluation, including strengthening the <i>demand</i> for and use of evaluations by policy makers;</p> <p>4.4 Influencing governmental policies related to evaluation, evaluation designs and implementation of M&E systems, etc.</p>	
<p>5. Public accountability: Is your VOPE helping to strengthen oversight and transparency of government programs? If so, in what ways? Can you share any success stories of evaluators or others promoting public accountability?</p>	
<p>6. More specifically, what are some of the key themes for which you advocate? For example, are you promoting issues related to cultural sensitivity, equity, social justice, empowerment, transformation, gender, environment, poverty? If so, please describe or attach relevant documents.</p>	
<p>7. Methods: Experiences in strengthening skills of individual members, by (for example):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> organizing workshops led by local experts; 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • organizing webinars with international speakers; • designing and delivering e-learning programmes; • administering mentoring programmes; etc. 	
<p>8. Standards: Has your VOPE developed professional standards/ ethical codes/ competencies (or adheres to those developed by others)? If so, please provide documentation.</p>	
<p>9. Job opportunities: Do you share employment/ consultancy opportunities with evaluators on your database?</p>	
<p>10. Progress and results: What progress has been achieved so far in any of the above or other domains? What are expected and unexpected results achieved?</p>	
<p>11. Lessons learned: Recommendations/ tips to others for good practices on how to organize and sustain VOPEs like yours.</p>	
<p>12. Next steps: What does your organization plan to do next?</p>	
<p>13. Willing to share with other VOPEs? For example, would you be interested in forming peer-to-peer partnerships with one or more other VOPEs to share lessons learned, advise each other? If so, describe what you would be willing to share / advice you would seek.</p>	
<p>14. Suggestions: What ideas do you have for what should be included in activities of the EvalPartners Initiative?</p>	
<p>15. Want to be actively involved? Does your VOPE want to be actively involved in EvalPartners? If so, in what ways?</p>	