The African Evaluation Association (AfrEA) held its Third Conference in Cape Town, South Africa, on December 1-4, 2004. The conference was attended by 479 people from 61 countries, of which 47 were in Africa. Around 250 participants also attended the 10 pre-conference professional development workshops held on 29-30 November.

The Conference was hosted in conjunction with the Public Service Commission of the South African Government, and was supported by another 21 local and international organisations, including SIDA, DFID, GTZ, the World Bank, the Nelson Mandela Foundation and the African Capacity Building Foundation.

Conference proceedings will be available in the first few months of 2005, in both English and French. A narrative conference report is available at Third AfrEA Conference Report. A listserv has been established to continue communication and information sharing among those interested in monitoring and evaluation in Africa. Details can be obtained from the AfrEA Secretariat at info@afrea.org.

AfrEA is planning several follow-up activities in partnership with national associations and other interested organizations before its next conference, which will be held in Niger in 2006. For additional information on evaluation in Africa

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1 This piece is based on the News section of the African Evaluation Association Website. Available at http://www.afrea.org/.
visit the AfrEA Website or see the first issue of JMDE (Part III: Global Review—Regions) at http://evaluation.wmich.edu/jmde/JMDE_Num001.html.