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#### ACRONYMS

BES Bank Evaluation System

CPE Country Program Evaluation

ECG Evaluation Cooperation Group

EPSA Ex-Post Performance and Sustainability Assessment

GN Documents on General Matters

IER Impact Evaluation Report

MIF Multilateral Investment Fund

NLF New Lending Framework

OVE Office of Evaluation and Oversight

PCR Project Completion Reports

PPMR Project Performance Monitoring Reports

RE Documents of the Oversight and Evaluation System

PRODEV Program to Implement the External Pillar of the Medium-Term Action

Plan for Development Effectiveness

LACEA Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association

MTAP Medium Term Action Plan

SWAP Sector Wide Approach

PDL Performance-Driven Loan

IIC Inter-American Investment Corporation

IEO Independent Evaluation Office

IIRSA Initiative for the Integration of Regional Infrastructure in South America

PBL Policy-Based Loan

#### I. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 For the past decade, OVE has presented annually for Board approval a detailed work program for the coming year, and an indicative listing of planned evaluation activities for the following year. This work program is accompanied by a brief summary of evaluation work completed during the current year, and a budget proposal for the coming year.
- 1.2 2010 is likely to be a transition year for the Office. A Board evaluation of the last 10 years of work by the Office is pending, and this will provide an opportunity for the Board to take stock of the evaluation function in the institution and to make whatever changes are deemed desirable to the size, functions, activities and specific work program of the Office.
- 1.3 The last review of the evaluation function was carried out by the Board in 1999, and resulted in a guidance document (RE-238) that has shaped the evolution of the office in the years that followed. This work plan and budget document is elaborated on the basis of the principles of RE-238, and presents the proposed 2010 work program along the same lines as previous work plan and budget documents. Because of the transitional nature of the coming year, however, the 2010 work plan is largely based on evaluations approved by the Board in the 2009-10 work plan, while the 2011 program contains only those work items which have received a specific mandate from past Board decisions.

#### A. Components of the Work Program

- 1.4 RE-238 gave OVE has a specific mandate to contribute to the consolidation of a results-focus in the institution through both the conduct of specific evaluation studies and the oversight of the Bank Evaluation System (BES) as a whole. It established four principles to guide the work of the office:
  - First, evaluation is *a tool*, not an end in itself. Like other tools, the evaluation must constantly be scrutinized to determine if it continues to be relevant to perform well, or whether it needs to be sharpened or modified to more effectively accomplish its basic tasks.
  - Second, evaluation is focused *on institutional learning*, which should be the standard applied to assess the relevance and effectiveness of evaluation activity.
  - Third, evaluation must focus on assessing the development effectiveness of Bank activities. This mandates a focus on those activities of the Bank which are directed toward contributing to the economic and social development of borrowing member countries. While all Bank activities

- could theoretically be the focus for evaluation work, the Governor's mandate keeps the focus of evaluation on the interface between the Bank and the borrowing member countries.
- Fourth, evaluation must focus on the *results* of Bank-financed activities. The Bank must look not only at its outputs (projects approved, funds lent), but also at the outcomes of its actions in the borrowing member countries. Evaluation work is thus an essential part of the process of moving the Bank toward a results-based operational style.
- 1.5 To implement these principles, OVE has built its annual work program around a balanced program of work grouped under five thematic areas: Oversight, Country Program Evaluation, Sector, Thematic and Ex-Post Evaluation, Policy and Instrument Evaluation, and Evaluation Capacity Development.
- 1.6 Oversight Studies involve the systematic review of those Bank systems and processes that have been designed to provide data on the results of Bank operations. The central evaluation questions concern whether Bank interventions are designed to generate meaningful information on results, whether they are monitored to deliver meaningful information, and whether supervisory and control processes are adequate to remedy problems as they occur and thereby improve the final results of the intervention.
- 1.7 <u>Country Program Evaluations</u> are mandated by Board Policy. OVE is required to conduct country program evaluations (CPEs) in advance of Management's preparation of each new country strategy document. The Guidelines for country strategy preparation require a new country strategy document whenever there is major national election.
- 1.8 Sector, Thematic and Ex-Post Evaluations. One of the Bank's principal comparative advantages is that it works on similar issues across many countries. This gives the Bank a broad perspective on sectoral and thematic issues in the Region. This work naturally leads to the development of a Bank approach to common sectoral and thematic issues, sometimes but not always codified into a written sectoral strategy. Since OVE is mandated by the Board to carry out expost evaluations of completed projects, it has proven useful to group the individual projects into thematic clusters, thereby providing both individual project evaluations and a broader evaluation of the Bank's results across a given sector or theme.
- 1.9 <u>Policy and Instrument Evaluations</u>. Policies are explicit guidance for Bank action aimed at defining the space within which Bank actions are possible. Whereas strategies define approaches and priorities, policies define limits to action. Policies are always explicit and subject to approval by the Board. An important sub-set of policies is the one defining distinct instruments available to support development in the region. In 2004, the Board's budget committee

requested that OVE conduct evaluations of budget "initiatives" as a sub-set of its work on policies and instruments<sup>1</sup>.

1.10 Evaluation Capacity Development. The strategic importance of building evaluation capacity was established by the Bank's Governors in the Eighth General Increase in Resources (1994) which urged the Bank to not only strengthen its own evaluation capacity, but also to "promote and support incountry capacity-building and facilitate cooperation in evaluation activities with other development agencies." OVE undertakes capacity development work both within the institution, providing comment on indicators and evaluation methodologies for Bank projects, and in the region, through support for emerging networks of evaluation professionals.

#### B. Actions Completed and Work Program for 2010-2011

- 1.11 Table 1.1 provides an overview of evaluation work accomplished in 2009, as well as a detailed plan of work for 2010. Column 1 of the table shows the items which OVE has completed by September 2009 (marked C09), and those which are expected to be completed before the end of 2009 (marked TBC09). Studies initiated and substantially completed in 2009 but which will not be finalized until 2010 are marked "TBC10". Work that is a regular, ongoing activity of OVE is signified by entries that span the full three years of the work program. Column 3 provides a listing of proposed work in 2010, while column 4 indicates previously-mandated items to be included in the 2011 work plan.
- 1.12 As the table suggests, an unusually large portion of the 2009 work program has been devoted to oversight studies and country program evaluations. Two oversight studies that had not been in the original work plan (Summary of Findings related to IDB-8 Mandates; Lessons Learned from Redibol) were added at the request of the Board during the year. Validation of self-evaluations in both the public and private sector was a major new activity, as were the preparation of evaluability assessments of country strategies and new initiatives.
- 1.13 11 country program evaluations will be completed during 2009, more than double the average number that had been produced in each of the preceding four years. The summary table does not list the individual project evaluations done as part of the expost evaluation work program. These are discussed below in paragraph 2.20.
- 1.14 Adjustments in the work program to accommodate new work and the expanded schedule of country program evaluations has meant that sector, thematic, policy and instrument evaluations have been delayed from their original forecast timetable. The planned evaluations are, however, expected to be completed in late 2009 or early 2010.

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The Report of the Chairman of the Budget, Financial Policies and Audit Committee on the Bank's 2004 budget asked that OVE "include in its future work program proposals the evaluation of any initiative whose expenditures are completed in 2004 or later, and whose total cost exceeds US\$2 million."

Inter-American Development Bank, 'Report on the Eight Increase of Resources"; AB-1683, page 48, 2.100 and 2.101; April 1994.

Table 1.1. Status of OVE's Multi-Year Work Plan 2009-2011

2009	Status	2010	2011							
Oversight Studies										
Work Program and Budget	C09	Work Program and Budget	Work Program and Budget							
NLF Review	C09	DEM Oversight review								
Economic Analysis in Projects	C09	Project Evaluability 2009								
Investment Policies	C09	Review of OVE								
Evaluability of Initiatives										
		ability of Country Strategies								
		IDB Governance								
	Va	alidation of PPMRs/PCRs								
	Sı	pport to MIF / IIC / SCF								
Evaluation Findings Related to IDB-8 mandates	C09									
Lessons Learned from REDIBOL	C09									
Results of Realignment	TBC09									
	Cou	ntry Program Evaluations								
Paraguay	C09	Uruguay	Brazil							
Bahamas	C09	Uruguay Bolivia <sup>3</sup>	Haiti							
Argentina	C09	Honduras	Peru							
Brazil	C09	Costa Rica	Guyana							
Venezuela	C09	Chile								
Guatemala	C09	Colombia								
Trinidad and Tobago	C09	Suriname								
El Salvador	TBC09									
Revision of CPE Protocol	C09									
Dominican Republic	TBC09									
Jamaica	TBC09									
Panama	TBC09									
Barbados										
		ematic And Ex-Post Evaluation	s							
Financial Administration	TBC10	Empirics of Poverty Targeting								
Ex-post project evaluations: Housing, educational IT, safeguards in energy projects; competitiveness, social investment funds; justice; early childhood development; multicultural education; water and health; conditional cash transfers										
Primary Roads		Technical Education								
Synthesis of Ex-Post Findings		Rural Water								
Citizen Security	TBC09									
Policy and Instrument Evaluations										
Enhancing county studies	TBC09	Regional Public Goods	PRODEV							
Plan Puebla-Panama	C09	Subnational lending	Disaster Risk Management							
Origination of NSG Operations	TBC09	Sustainability Initiative	Opportunities for the Majority							
Management of TCs	TBC09	Involuntary Resettlement	KCP Products							
Concessional Resources	TBC09	Indigenous	SECCI							
		Institutional Strengthening								

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 $<sup>^{3}\,\,</sup>$  The last CPE was completed in 2008. A full CPE may not be required in 2010.

#### II. PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR 2010-2011

## A. Context: The "Better Bank" Agenda

- As part of the process of preparing the justification for a possible increase in the Bank's capital, Management laid out a broad agenda for institutional change based on the theme of becoming a "better bank" (GN-2518-10). Paragraph 2.4 of that document states that "The challenge of ensuring that Bank interventions provide evidence of results is at the center of the Bank's agenda." Ensuring that this promise is realized will require substantial efforts over the coming two years by both Management and OVE, since both have a common interest in strengthening the Bank's evaluation system as the key channel through which the Bank organizes itself to manage for developmental results.
- 2.2 The key to an improved focus on results is the design of development interventions at both the country and project level that clearly specify the results being sought. Clarity of intent is an essential prerequisite for a sustained focus on development results. Intent must, however, be connected to measurable indicators that can be monitored during and after execution to determine whether intended outcomes were achieved. As Management noted in GN-2518-10: "This ability to influence behavior depends on establishing metrics that can be monitored and managed for decision-making and accountability purposes".
- 2.3 Finally, as the quote above suggests, the move toward a results-based culture requires the development of effective internal incentives to manage for results. These include both internal resource allocations based on results achieved, and a results-focused incentive system for staff performance evaluations. Both the budget and the human resources systems of the Bank need to incorporate a concern for development results.
- 2.4 OVE's 2010 work program is designed to support Management's commitment to build a Bank focused on results. Oversight studies will evaluate the tools and procedures used internally to promote results-based management. Evaluability assessments ex-ante of country programs, individual projects and Bankwide initiatives will provide feedback on the Bank's effectiveness in specifying intended results. Country program evaluations will provide information on the achievement of results at the country level, while ex-post project evaluations will provide the same information at the project level. Sector, thematic, policy and instrument evaluations will focus attention on specific elements of the Bank's operational environment that will need to be adjusted in light of the new commitment to results.

#### B. Proposed Oversight Work

2.5 OVE's proposed work on Oversight will focus on reviewing the effectiveness of the Bank's evolving structures, policies, and procedures. This will necessarily be a multi-year activity, as many changes are still in process, while others have been implemented but have not yet produced the data necessary for them to be reviewed. Many of the proposed oversight activities were described in OVE's 2009 work program, and are only briefly described in this document.

- 2.6 <u>Validation</u>. Management produces assessments of program implementation and effectiveness at various points of time in the project lifecycle, by using different review instruments. OVE has initiated a program of validation of the key M&E instruments, including, PPMRs, PCRs, and XPSRs. Validation consists of a desk review of a sample of these instruments to determine if there is adequate evidence to support the judgments regarding development outcomes contained in these reports. If there is adequate information, the validation exercise also reports on whether OVE is in agreement with the qualitative judgment made by Management.
- OVE will also review the <u>results of the Bank's realignment</u>. The current realignment effort is touching all aspects of the Bank's work. At the request of the Board, OVE produced a suggested "Results Framework for the Realignment" (RE-329) which discussed goals, indicators and metrics that could enable to the Board to monitor the impact of the changes on the performance of the Bank. Management's proposed Corporate Performance Framework incorporates some of these indicators, but places more emphasis on internal change than the impact of those changes on the value added by the Bank to borrowing member countries. OVE will therefore continue to review the Bank's performance against selected indicators shown in RE-329, reporting periodically to the Board on the results observed.
- 2.8 Management has adopted new norms regarding how it will program and prepare operations. These include both new guidelines for project preparation and new guidelines for country strategy preparation. Starting in 2009, OVE has undertaken **evaluability reviews of each new country strategy** sent to the Board for consideration, and will continue this exercise in 2010. A report summarizing the 2009 findings will be sent to the Board early in 2010.
- 2.9 OVE developed a **project evaluability** instrument in 2000 and applied it to all projects approved in both 2001 and 2005. The instrument assesses the degree to which operations are able to articulate their expected results in measurable terms, and is key in assessing the ex ante quality of operations. The results of the 2005 review were sent to the Board in 2007. The 2007 document identified a series of problems in the Bank's oversight and quality review processes in project design, review and approval. OVE had intended to carry out a third project evaluability review on projects approved in 2008, but Management requested that this review be moved forward to 2009 in order to allow more time to implement the new development effectiveness framework. OVE has been carrying out this review of 2009 projects, and will have a summary report for consideration by Board and management in the first quarter of 2010.
- 2.10 Management has implemented its own approach to improving project evaluability through a new instrument, the "development effectiveness matrix" (DEM) which is developed for each project as it is approved. DEM reports should be available for every project approved in 2009, and can thus be compared with the OVE evaluability assessments to see what kinds of information are captured by each tool. To explore this issue, OVE will produce an <u>oversight study on DEM implementation</u> for the 2009 group of projects early in 2010.

- 2.11 Finally, OVE has been requested by the Board to evaluate Bank "initiatives" that are presented as separate items in the Bank's administrative budget. Because initiatives have explicit resource allocations, it is important that they also have well-developed evaluability frameworks that define clearly the results they intend to achieve. Many past initiatives have lacked such frameworks. To address this issue, on an ongoing basis, OVE will produce evaluability assessments of each new initiative approved by the Board. During 2009, such assessments were prepared for the water initiative and the opportunities for the majority initiative. These assessments form the basis of an initial dialogue between OVE and the sponsors of each initiative regarding their eventual evaluation. If new initiatives are proposed in the 2010 budget, OVE will carry out evaluability assessments for each new initiative.
- 2.12 MIF, IIC and SCF. For 2010-2011, OVE will continue providing evaluation support to the MIF and IIC. As separate entities, these two organizations contract with OVE for evaluation work. OVE's work consists of validating findings of their expanded/extended supervision reports and monitoring compliance with good practice standards for the evaluation of private sector projects, as defined by the ECG.
- 2.13 <u>IDB Governance</u>. In 2009, OVE carried out a review of the literature on corporate governance with specific reference to multilateral organizations. The results of that review were presented to the retreat of the Board held in July of 2009, along with the results of a survey on governance completed by members of the IDB Board. The Board requested several follow-up actions in this area, to be completed as part of the 2010 work program. They include:
  - a. Developing terms of reference for a periodic Board self evaluation exercise
  - b. Supporting the Board in training on risk assessment, management and mitigation.
  - c. Conducting future surveys of both Board and senior management to contribute to better mutual knowledge and communication.
  - d. Assist the board in developing an accountability framework
- Review of OVE. Independent evaluation offices such as OVE are accountable to Boards of Executive Directors in the Multilateral Development Banks. To exercise their oversight responsibilities, from time to time Boards of Directors have commissioned external reviews of the performance of their independent evaluation units. The evaluation unit at the World Bank received such a review in 2004, and the IMF's evaluation office was reviewed in 2006. While these efforts were ad hoc and commissioned based on circumstances in the individual institutions, there is a general agreement in the evaluation community that periodic review of independent evaluation units should be part of good practice. Accordingly, the Evaluation Cooperation Group of the Multilateral Development Banks (ECG) has developed a proposal for institutionalizing external reviews of such units. The proposal suggests a mechanism and a set of evaluative questions that could form the basis for such an exercise. This draft has been circulated to Board members as background for discussion of this item in the work program.

- 2.15 As the draft document notes, external reviews should be commissioned by Boards directly, as they are the final authorities regarding the work of independent evaluation units. The cost of the review is dependent upon the scope of work desired, and resources should be allocated from the evaluation budget for such a review. Because this activity requires a specific decision from the Board, funds to carry out such an independent review have not been included in OVE's 2010 budget submission. The scope and funding for any such evaluation exercise would need to be decided by the Board in the course of reviewing OVE's 2010 work program and budget.
- 2.16 In the 2009 work program, OVE had proposed to carry out an oversight study on the <u>integration of information systems</u> between the Bank and various borrowing member countries. The goal of this evaluation was to determine whether information on project outcomes was available in national data systems but not in the Bank's data systems, and to explore mechanisms for producing closer data exchange between the two systems. This evaluation could not be completed in 2009 owing to the loss of critical staff expertise, but the preliminary work indicated that this would be a much more time and resource-intensive work than was originally anticipated. For these reasons, OVE would propose to remove this item from the 2010 work program.

## C. Proposed Country Program Evaluations

- 2.17 In 2009, the Board approved a new Protocol for the Conduct of Country Program evaluations based on the good practice standards established by the Evaluation Cooperation Group. The new protocol continues to link country program evaluations to the preparation of new country strategies, and both remain connected to the electoral calendar in borrowing member countries. The goal is to undertake field work for the CPE during the final year of a political administration, and present the findings for review by the Bank and the country authorities within two months of a new government taking power.
- 2.18 The CPE requirement defines in advance a significant portion of OVE's work program, as shown in Table 1.1. In 2009, 12 country program evaluations were required, while the electoral calendar suggests that 7 additional CPEs will be required in 2010. The prospective CPE workload for 2011 is considerably lighter, with only 4 CPES on the schedule.

## D. Proposed Sector, Thematic and Ex-post Evaluations

2.19 OVE's work in the is area is defined in large part by the Bank's ex-post evaluation policy (OP-305), which requires that OVE review 20% of closed projects. To integrate these project reviews with broader themes, OVE seeks to place individual ex-post evaluations in the context of either country program evaluations (as recommended in the EGC Good Practice paper) or sectoral and thematic overviews.

2.20 The agenda for these evaluations was established in the 2009 work program and will be completed during 2010. Table 2.1 below shows the individual operations being evaluated as part of this exercise, grouped under several broad thematic headings. Because these individual project reports are not sent to the Board, OVE will submit in 2009 a **synthesis report on ex-post evaluation** activities for Board consideration early in 2010.

**Table 2.1. Ex-Post Project Evaluations** 

Theme	Project			
Competitiveness,	DR0138 Supporting Food and Agricultural Sector Competitiveness			
Agriculture	PN0032 Agricultural Services Modernization Program			
Environmental Safeguards	CO0211 Hydroelectric Power Plant Porce II			
	ME0229 Monterrey III Power Project (PRI)			
	ME0189 Samalayuca II Power Project (PRI)			
Neighborhood	BR0250 Urban Improvement Rio de Janeiro II <sup>4</sup>			
improvement programs.	•			
Citizen Security	CO0213 Peaceful Coexistance and Citizens Security			
	JA0105 Citizen Security and Justice			
	AR0198 Care for Children & Adolescents at Risk			
	CH0178 Innovation Program for a safer Chile			
	UR0118 Citizen Safety Prevention of Violence & Delinquency			
Housing	CH0032 Sites-Services and Neighborhoods Improvement Program			
_	NI0064 Low-Income Housing Program			
	CO0145 Social Solidarity Network			
	CO0241 Social Housing Program			
	PN0082 Housing Program			
	EC0207 Housing Sector Support Phase II			
Social Investment	BO0180 Local Development and Fiscal Adjustment <sup>5</sup>			
Evaluation of Justice	PR0126 Modernization Judicial Administration Program			
Interventions.	CR0073 Judicial Administration Improvement Program			
Early Childhood	BR0177: Program Of Support For Social Reforms For Child And Adolescent			
Development	Development In The State Of Ceará			
	PE0167: National Program To Assist Children Under Three - Wawa Wasi			
	EC0157: Program Of Comprehensive Services For Children Under Six			
	NI0153: Comprehensive Child Care Program - Stage 2			
Multicultural Education	BO0133 Education Reform Program I			
	BO0178 Education Reform II			
ICT for Education	PE0170 Secondary Education Improvement Program			
	BA0009 Education Sector Enhancement Program			
Competitiveness, SME	AR0144 Support for Enterprise Restructuring			
Policy <sup>6</sup>	CH0160 Technology Innovation Program.			
	CO-L1007. Competitiveness in Colombia I			
Water and Health	GU0150 Rural Water Investment Program			
	BO-L1013 Small Community Water Program			
CCT	PN-L1007 Programa de Protección Social Fase I			

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The office previously evaluated the first phase. The second phase is being evaluated jointly with Management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The office completed a prior review of FIS in completed in 2007. The evaluation of this project is being done jointly with Management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The office also prepared a review of SME Policy in Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, and Peru.

2.21 In addition to the ex-post project evaluations noted above, OVE intends to complete in 2010 three thematic evaluations reviewing both individual projects and the Bank's overall approach to such problems. These thematic evaluations will be presented to the Board. Thematic evaluations will be produced for the Banks approach to **poverty targeting**, **technical education**, and **rural water and sanitation**.

## **E.** Proposed Policy and Instrument Evaluations

- 2.22 Policies are explicit guidance for Bank action aimed at defining the space within which Bank actions are possible. Whereas strategies define approaches and priorities, policies define limits to action. Policies are always explicit and subject to approval by the Board. In recent years, the Bank has relied more on indicative strategies rather than explicit policies for organizing its work with borrowing member countries. However, a number of hew policies have been approved recently, and OVE proposes to review these new policies within a few years of adoption to see if they are accomplishing their intended objectives.
- 2.23 For 2010, OVE proposes evaluations of two specific policies: <u>involuntary</u> <u>resettlement</u> and <u>operational policy on Indigenous Peoples</u>. Other policy evaluations were proposed in OVE's 2009 work program (Agricultural Sector, and Public Utilities), but in consultation with the Chair of the Policy and Evaluation Committee, OVE has elected to await further discussion between Management and the Board regarding policies before determining whether additional policy evaluations will be required in 2010.
- 2.24 <u>Budget Initiatives</u>. Evaluations of expiring Bank initiatives were mandated by the Budget Committee of the Board in 2004. Although fewer budget initiatives have been proposed in recent years, evaluations are still in process for 2010 on the intiative for <u>regional public goods</u>, and the <u>sustainability</u> initiative. For 2010, initiative evaluations are programmed for <u>PRODEV</u>, <u>Opportunities for the Majority</u>, and <u>SECCI</u>.
- 2.25 Two instrument evaluations are also programmed for 2010. Lending to subnational governments without sovereign guarantee is a growing area of involvement for the Bank, and raises a number of specific issues that do not arise in the context of other non-sovereign lending. These issues were explored at some length in a background paper for the Brazil country program evaluation, and OVE proposes to expand this analysis to include a number of other countries in 2010. Management has requested that OVE also look at lending and technical cooperation activities directed toward institutional strengthening as such lending has been a growing part of Bank activities in most borrowing member countries.
- 2.26 In the 2009 work program, OVE initiated a series of evaluations on Bank risk management practices. In cooperation with AUG, OVE reviewed the lessons

learned from the AXIS REDIBOL project, in which the Bank experienced significant losses when anticipated risks were not adequately mitigated. This study is complemented by a review of the origination process for non-sovereign guaranteed operations, a review which will be completed and sent to the Board prior to the end of 2009.

- 2.27 For 2010, OVE will proceed with the study on the <u>oversight of credit risk</u> <u>management</u>, which was proposed in the 2009 program. The project will review the adequacy of the risk management environment; the soundness of the credit granting process, credit administration, risk measurement, and monitoring processes; the quality of the control system over credit risk; and the quality of the risk classification of the individual components of the portfolio.
- 2.28 **Disaster Risk Management.** The *Bank Action Plan for Improving Disaster Risk Management:* 2005 2008 (GN-2339-1) was endorsed by the Board of Executive Directors in March 2005, and gave rise to a budgetary initiative that is set to expire in 2008. In 2008, OVE provided a Decision Support Note to the Board on this topic. In 2010, OVE will conduct an evaluation of the Bank's work in the area of disaster risk management with the objective of determining results in the three areas defined by the Action Plan: Improving country programming and portfolio management; incorporating proactive disaster management into Bank operational policy; and strengthening the staff capacity of the Bank to support borrowing member countries in this area.
- 2.29 Review of Knowledge and Capacity-Building Products: OVE will review a sample of KCP in 2010. Building off of the methods and findings of OVE's 2006 'Evaluation of IDB Studies,' OVE will evaluate Knowledge and Capacity Building Products according to their objectives, contribution to the Banks' strategic goals and evidence of development outcomes and effectiveness. OVE will also assess the quality of the KCP, as well as other dimensions such as relevance, ownership, collaboration, dissemination, utilization and the systems associated with KCP.

#### F. Evaluation Capacity Development

2.30 The Bank's principal vehicle for developing evaluation capacity in borrowing member countries is the PRODEV initiative, where evaluation systems are connected to the improvement of country capacity to manage for results. OVE will be evaluating PRODEV as part of the proposed 2011 work program. Because of the existence of PRODEV the Office has concentrated its evaluation capacity development work on the encouragement of local capacity to supply evaluation services to the public sector, and on providing technical assistance to Bank project teams regarding the evaluation components of projects.

#### III. PROPOSED BUDGET

3.1 Table 3.1 shows the proposed administrative budget for 2010 to support the evaluation work outlined in earlier sections of the work plan. The budget is not projected to grow in real terms from the 2009 base.

Table 3.1 OVE Budget Comparison by Expense Account

	2009 Adj.	2010	Increase /	% Change
	Approved	Expected	(Decrease)	
		Budget		
Salaries - Int'L Professional Staff	3,117,876	3,345,095	227,219	7.29%
Salaries - Int'L Administrative Staff	182,288	77,176	-105,113	-57.66%
Overtime & Sec. Admin. Bonus	7,608	7,890	281	3.70%
Special Employees	6,813	7,065	252	3.70%
Remuneration	3,314,586	3,437,225	122,639	3.70%
Benefits - Int'l Staff	1,353,068	1,403,131	50,063	3.70%
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Personnel Cost	4,667,654	4,840,356	172,702	3.70%
Learning & Tuition Fees	30,252	31,280	1,029	3.40%
Training Travel	6,050	6,256	206	3.40%
Staff Development	36,302	37,536	1,234	3.40%
Consultants	1,810,197	1,871,744	61,547	3.40%
Temporary Help & Employment Agencies	59,543	61,567	2,024	3.40%
Firms	23,816	24,626	810	3.40%
Research Fellowship Program (RFP)	59,543	61,568	2,024	3.40%
Consultants & Outside Services	1,953,100	2,019,505	66,405	3.40%
Int'L Business Travel	542,782	561,237	18,455	3.40%
Business Travel	542,782	561,237	18,455	3.40%
Office Furniture & Furnishings Purchases (including Art Purchases)	1,774	1,835	60	3.40%
IT Equipment & Maintenance	22,990	23,772	782	3.40%
Copying and Printing Equipment and Maintenance				N/A
Software and Maintenance	7,260	7,507	247	3.40%
Supplies	18,634	19,268	634	3.40%
INACTIVE-2010 (Copying Equipment)	6,050		-6,050	-100.00%
Equipment and Supplies	56,709	52,382	-4,328	-7.63%
Telecommunications	25,936	26,818	882	3.40%
Mail & Related Shipping Services	4,868	5,033	166	3.40%
e-Resources, Periodicals & Newspapers	2,366	2,447	80	3.40%
Printing & Publishing Expenses	2,448	8,786	6,339	258.98%
Communications and Publications	35,618	43,084	7,467	20.96%
Conferences, Workshops & Seminars	1,210	1,251	41	3.40%
Special Events & Representation Expenses	605	626	21	3.40%
Events, Conferences & Outreach	1,815	1,877	62	3.40%
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,210	1,251	41	3.40%
General Administrative Cost	95,351	98,593	3,242	3.40%
<b>Total Administrative Gross</b>	7,295,189	7,557,227	262,038	3.59%
Administrative Income & Reimbursements	-225,000	-225,000	0	
Total Administrative Net	7,070,189	7,332,227	262,038	3.71%
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- 3.2 As in prior years, OVE will receive some funding for evaluation work from external sources. Service contracts with the MIF and IIC are expected to continue at prior year levels, with a combined total of \$225,000 for both contracts.
- 3.3 As noted earlier, funds for any Board-commissioned external review of OVE are not included in this budget submission. If the Board decides to proceed with such a review, decisions will be required about the scope of the review and the funding involved.