

Conference Venue: Emperors Palace

Dates: 23 – 25 October 2019

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Introduction: My name is Zukiswa Ngcemu, I am an emerging evaluator employed by the KZN Liquor Authority. My role in the entity is Planning, M&E and Risk Management. I am a PDGip Student at Wits School of Governance, studying Developmental and Public Sector M&E.

Pre Conference Workshops

Highlights: N/A

Challenges: N/A

Conference

Lessons learnt: I re-learnt the importance of understanding context as evaluations are conducted in diverse and complex environments.

Challenges: The only challenge was choosing which parallel session to attend

Networking: I had an opportunity to network with experienced and emerging evaluators. After our presentation I met more evaluators from KwaZulu Natal who introduced themselves which led to further interactions and exchange of contact details.

Next steps: Is to complete my studies and find projects to volunteer in to expand my knowledge and skills in the field. I will also continue to attend our monthly meetings in our Learning Network to ensure continuous learning and support from my peers.