

BETWIXT & BETWEEN

The Journal of Partnership Brokering

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CALL FOR ARTICLES

The theme

The theme for the second issue of *Betwixt & Between* is **evaluation**.

At PBA, we are keen to explore:

- The role of a partnership broker as a **monitor in the evaluation of a partnership's activities** in monitoring/*tracking* activity, contributions & performance; and in *estimating* the impacts of activities.
- The role of a partnership broker as an **advisor in the evaluation of a partnership**, helping partners assess: the *efficiency & effectiveness* of the partnership's management /decision-making processes; the *impact, outputs, outcomes* of the partnership; the value of the partnerships' activities to the partners.
- The partnership broker as a **subject in the evaluation of the brokering approach**, assessing how his/her performance, skills, competencies and attributes have contributed to the partnership's effectiveness. Such evaluation also provides useful information of the outcomes of brokered and not-brokered partnerships.
- The role of a partnership broker as a **change agent in the evaluation of the partnership paradigm**, assessing the impact of a broker on policy and systems; and comparing partnerships to other options for delivering development and sustainability challenges

We would welcome articles on all these topics.

Articles can include (but are not limited to)

- **Front line experiences** of :
 - Monitoring and review of activity, contributions and performance of the partnership and partners *during* the partnering cycle;
 - Conducting an evaluation of a partnership as an internal/external broker or an independent consultant;
 - Carrying out assessments of brokers or of being the subject of an assessments and performance review;
- **Action research or conceptual frameworks** exploring any aspect of brokering evaluation around the topics outlined above. These can also include articles on tools and frameworks you might have developed and used to support your brokering evaluation work. Relevant material from evaluation of development programmes and other comparable scenarios which could inform brokering evaluation may also be submitted.

In addition to articles which cover current brokering evaluation work, we also encourage contributions which raise important issues around the **direction and future development**. These can take a reflective or a critical perspective to provide new insights and alternative ideas on the realities of brokering evaluation in a fast changing, complex world where partnering is increasingly becoming the norm.

The timeline

Abstract deadline : 1 August 2013
Manuscript due date : 9 September 2013

The essentials

1. **Length:** 3000 words or less
2. **Abstract:** 150 words
3. **Short title:** 50 characters
4. **Format:** Microsoft Word 12 point font /1.5 spacing
5. **Sourcing:** ensure fully referenced for quotes/permissions/reference texts
6. **Author bio & photo:** 150 words
7. **Content photo:** to liven up the page

We will provide more detailed guidelines on contributions to the journal when abstracts have been accepted.

Please contact Herman Brouwer (herman.brouwer@wur.nl) or Surinder Hundal (surinder@rippleseed.com) if you would like to: contribute; or to nominate someone who could be approached as a contributor to the Journal.
