

Development, Research, and Innovation Virtual Engagements (DRIVE)

At USAID, we see our partners as the driving force for impact in our work. The Research Division within the Innovation, Technology, and Research (ITR) Hub is excited to host Development, Research, and Innovation Virtual Engagements (DRIVE). DRIVE will be a series of virtual sessions held between July and November 2021, to provide a space for our Research Partners to meet, collaborate, and learn from one another. Please stay tuned for additional information!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Corrie Willson (Sutherland) (csutherland@usaid.gov).

Tentative Schedule:

Open Sessions

Partner-Specific Sessions*

Tracks:

- Capacity Building (CB)
- Research Utilization (RU)
- Special Interest (SI)
- Sustainability (S)

**These sessions have a targeted audience in mind, but all are welcome to participate and learn.*

July				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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12		14 CB		
19				
26	27 CB		29 CB	

July 12 - Kick-off with Dr. Ticora V. Jones, R Division, and Partners

July 14 - ALP Gathering

July 27 - BRIDGE Gathering

July 29 - LASER & RTAC Gathering

August				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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9				
16		18 SI		
23	24 RU			
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August 5 - How to build and engage research networks for capacity building and research generation

August 18 - Adaptive management strategies for program resilience

August 24 - Research translation and project management: Development research and innovation in Sub-Saharan Africa

September				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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13	14 RU			
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September 1 - PEER: Sustainability through U.S. research partnerships

September 9 - Finding What Works: Practical tools for evaluating international development

September 14 - On Expansion or Replication of Evidence-Based Practices: A Question of Scale

October				
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October 7 - Planning for research utilization

October 19 - Lessons on sustainability from HESN 1.0

October 20 - Planning for program sustainability

November				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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8	9 RU			
15	16 SI	17 S		
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November 9 - Best practices on research dissemination and communications

November 16 - USAID & the new Administration's priorities

November 17 - Wrap Up Session