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# Virtual conferences are better than physical ones: yes, no, maybe?

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- Pan-African community
- **Vision:** end poverty & inequality
- **Mission:** evidence-informed decision-making in Africa
- **4 ways of working**
  - Informs e.g. newsletter
  - Connects e.g. Evidence 2020
  - Learns e.g. landscape maps
  - Advocates e.g. Africa Evidence Leadership Award

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# Topic 1

**To hear your experience in participating in a virtual working meeting.**

**How did EVIDENCE 2020 as a virtual working meeting work or not for you?**






## Topic 2

**To distinguish whether the AEN should continue with a virtual working meeting or a traditional scientific meeting.**

**What are the pros and cons of a working meeting with focused workstreams and targeted outputs versus a traditional scientific meeting with abstracts, posters and presentations?**





# Topic 3

**To get inputs for the planning of  
EVIDENCE 2022**

**What should the AEN  
secretariat consider for  
EVIDENCE 2022?**

# Questions





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# Thank you!



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