MANAGEMENT RESPONSE TO THE REPORT ON THE EVALUATION FUNCTION

JUNE 2022 BRIEFING TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
UN Women Response Overall

• UN Women appreciates the work of the Independent Evaluation Service and the high-quality evaluative evidence they are producing. Management endorses the proposals outlined in the Report on the evaluation function of UN Women 2021.

• UN Women is benefitting tremendously from the corporate and decentralized evaluations. These findings provided evidence used in the process of development of the UN Women Strategic Plan 2022-2025 as well as at the country level in the development of CCA/UNSDCFs and UN Women Strategic Notes.
2021 EVALUATIONS

Importance of corporate and decentralized evaluations

1. Corporate evaluations such as on the **UN system coordination and broader convening role of UN Women in Ending Violence Against Women**, were essential in informing outcome 7 in the new Strategic Plan on UN coordination.

2. Recognize that **40 decentralized evaluations** were completed in 2021. The Country Portfolio Evaluations that review the relevance and effectiveness of UN Women’s country level Strategic Notes provide important directions for the next programming cycle.

3. UN Women is **committed to keep building our capacity** on evaluations. Enhancing internal capacity on RBM with e-learning tools in additional languages. E-learning course on gender-responsive evaluation management mandatory for staff managing evaluations.
EVALUATIONS PLANNED FOR 2022

Welcome the selection of evaluations for 2022

Climate change (ongoing): Recommendations will assist UN Women solidify our approach to climate change work, building on CSW66 commitments and towards Stockholm +50, COP 27.

Gender statistics and data (planned): Lessons from the COVID-19 response as well as crisis response all highlight the importance of gender disaggregated data.
Next chapter

- UN Women remains **fully committed to further strengthen quality, coverage and use of both corporate and decentralized evaluations** in strong collaboration with the IES.

- The **UN Women Strategic Plan 2022-2025 included two indicators on evaluations**. These will be monitored closely and inform future planning.

- The **Strategic Note Guidance provides specific information about use of evaluation** and how it needs to impact the planning but also how evaluation needs to be incorporated in the future plans.

- UN-Women Programme, Policy and Intergovernmental Division (PPID) will work closely with the IES to:
  - **Support** the thematic evaluations and lead on the implementation of the management response.
  - Share evaluation lessons learned and increase knowledge across regions and programmes.
THANK YOU!