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 in the process of the development at 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 are essential in the UN Women pilot initiative of “strategic dialogues” with a focus on active engagement in the early stages of the CCA/UNSDCF process.

3. UN Women is **committed to keep building our capacity** on evaluations in line with our Data, Evidence and Knowledge Strategy. Enhanced the internal capacity on RBM with rolling out e-learning tools in additional languages.
TRENDS IN KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

**Overall KPIs are on track**

1. **Steady progress**: for example: Evaluation implementation rate improved from 2018 90% and 2021 97%, Quality of evaluation reports improved from 2018 88% and 2021 98%

2. The only KPI with a minor decline is the one on financial resources invested in evaluations where there was a drop from 2020 with 1.9% to 1.8% in 2021. But the overall amount has increased.
UN SYSTEM WIDE EVALUATIONS

UN coordination is a key priority for UN Women

1. Working in partnerships is key priority for UN Women and the collaboration with UNEG is critical. Note the important work led by UN Women on integration of disability inclusion in evaluations.

2. Take note of the finalized guidance for evaluations of the UNSDCF and UN Women’s role to ensure gender mainstreaming. Encourage more UNSDCF evaluations in the future.
EVALUATIONS PLANNED FOR 2022

Welcome the selection of evaluations for 2022

1. **Climate change (ongoing):** Priority for UN Women to solidify our approach, building on CSW66 commitments and towards Stockholm +50, COP 27.

2. **Capacity Development (ongoing):** Under the previous SP, capacity development was by far the largest category. The current SP puts an emphasis on standardized approaches, scale up of interventions and aggregation of these results.

3. **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!