REPORT ON THE EVALUATION FUNCTION
of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

2022 Annual Report
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FOCUS AREA 1: CORPORATE EVALUATIONS

COMPLETED IN 2022

Corporate evaluation of UN-Women’s Policy Advocacy Work

Corporate evaluation of UN-Women’s work on Capacity Development

OTHER Evaluation Evidence Gap Mapping Analysis

INITIATED AND CONDUCTED IN 2022

Corporate evaluation of UN-Women’s contribution to WOMEN’S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT by advancing gender-responsive laws, frameworks, policies and partnerships

Corporate formative evaluation of UN-Women’s work in the area of CLIMATE CHANGE

Corporate formative evaluation on UN-Women’s work on GENDER STATISTICS AND DATA

Joint SYSTEM-WIDE EVALUATION SYNTHESIS OF SDG 5 in collaboration with UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP

UN-Women’s SUPPORT TO CIVIL SOCIETY (with an in-depth assessment of a regional perspective of UN Women’s engagement with civil society)
FOCUS AREA 2: DECENTRALIZED EVALUATIONS

| **40** | Decentralized evaluations completed in 2022 |
| **8**  | Country Portfolio Evaluations |
|        | 5 were IES-led |
| **5**  | Regional evaluations |
|        | 2 were IES-led |
| **27** | Programme/Project or thematic evaluations |

**STRENGTHENING EVALUATION QUALITY MECHANISMS AND INTERNAL CAPACITY BUILDING**

- Improved the standardization of data analysis and developed multiple EVALUATION TOOLS AND GUIDELINES (e.g., CPE portfolio analysis, survey design, UN-Women Results Management System data analysis and contribution analysis).
- Provided TRAININGS AND COACHING for M&E focal points, programme managers and UN-Women staff at the regional and country levels.
- Produced USER-FRIENDLY AND ACCESSIBLE KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS (e.g., evaluation briefs and synthesis reports) and organized webinars and presentations to disseminate evaluation results.
## Performance of the Evaluation Function in UN-Women

### Key Performance Indicators (KPIS)

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<th>Target (by 2025)</th>
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<td>Financial resources invested in evaluation function</td>
<td>1.9</td>
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<td>Evaluation expenditure over UN-Women programme expenditure</td>
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<td>Human resources for monitoring and evaluation</td>
<td>98</td>
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<td>Offices that appointed an M&amp;E focal point or officer</td>
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<td>Evaluation coverage</td>
<td>92</td>
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<td>At least one evaluation per Strategic Note cycle</td>
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<td>Evaluation implementation rate</td>
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<td>Percentage of evaluations being implemented (completed and initiated)</td>
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<td>Quality of evaluation reports</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>Percentage of evaluation reports rated “Good and above”</td>
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<td>Joint evaluations</td>
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<td>Percentage of joint evaluations contributed by UN-Women</td>
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<td>Management response submission to GATE</td>
<td>100</td>
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<td>Percentage of completed evaluation reports submitted with management response to GATE</td>
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<td>Implementation of management response</td>
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<td>Percentage of management response key actions being implemented</td>
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<td>Use of evaluations</td>
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<td>Percentage of offices that reported using evaluation</td>
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Overall, progress on the key performance indicators of the UN-Women Evaluation Function has remained steady. However, continued support and attention are necessary for evaluation planning, timely implementation and its use.
## FOCUS AREA 3: WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP FOR GENDER RESPONSIVE EVALUATION

### Strengthening gender-responsive evaluation within the UN system
- **UNEG**: Co-convened the Gender Equality, Disability and Human Rights working group
- **UN-SWAP**: Served as the Secretariat of the UN-SWAP evaluation performance indicator
- **Joint evaluations**: 33 joint evaluations either jointly managed or supported by UN-Women in 2022
- **UNSDCF**: Provided technical inputs to several UNSDCF evaluations – Lesotho, Malawi, Gambia, Papua New Guinea, Bolivia and Brazil

### Leveraging partnership for National Evaluation Capacity Development
- **EVALGENDER+**: co-chair EvalGender+
- **High Level Task Force** supporting Member States in developing a new UN resolution on Promoting Country-led Evaluation on the SDGs at the National Level.
- **Global Evaluation Initiative (GEI)**
- **Partnerships** at the regional level and national capacity building
## Corporate Evaluation on Governance and Participation in Public Life
(to be presented to EB in 2024)

## Corporate Evaluation of UN-Women’s Work on Gender Statistics and Data
(ongoing)

## Meta-synthesis Report on Communications and Advocacy
(to be presented to EB in 2024)

## Corporate Formative Evaluation of UN-Women’s Work in the Area of Climate Change
(ongoing)

## Integrated Corporate Formative Evaluation on Social Norms Change
(ongoing)

## Corporate/Regional Formative Evaluation of UN-Women’s Support to Civil Society
(ongoing)

## Joint System-wide Synthesis of SDG 5 in Collaboration with UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, WFP
(ongoing)

## Corporate Evaluation of UN-Women’s Support to WPS/HA
(planned, to be presented to EB in 2025)

## Corporate Formative Evaluation on Financing for Gender Equality
(planned)

### Decentralized Evaluations
- Approx. 14 IES-led CPEs and regional evaluations
- Quality assurance and technical support to approx. 50 decentralized evaluations
- Internal training and coaching of M&E focal points
- Evaluation systems (public evaluation database, external quality assessment, KPIs)

### UN Coordination - National Capacity Development
- UNEG
- EvalGender+, Global Evaluation Capacity Development Initiative, selected regional partnerships
- Joint evaluations/UNSDCF evaluations

### Evaluation Use and Communication
1. Driving evidence-based learning and accountability for gender equality and women’s empowerment in rapidly changing global context

2. Continuing progress made on UN-Women Evaluation Function’s KPIs

3. Integrating of gender equality perspectives within UN System and beyond
THANK YOU