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Executive Board session on the evaluation function at UNFPA

Now available, 2018 Annual Report on Evaluation



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"The Evaluation Office took concrete steps in 2018 to align with the objectives of the UN reform. Nearly 50% of evaluations planned in 2019 and 2020 are joint or system-wide."

— Marco Segone, Director, UNFPA Evaluation Office

On 3 June 2019, at the Executive Board annual session, UNFPA Evaluation Office presented the 2018 Annual Report on the evaluation function and Evaluation of the UNFPA response to the Syria crisis. This was followed by presentation of the respective management responses.

Thereon, 24 Member States presented a joint statement on the 2018 Annual Report on evaluation. The joint statement commended an overall very positive picture of UNFPA evaluation performance. It highly valued Evaluation Office's commitment and active support to the UN reform agenda and joint and system-wide evaluations and encouraged further support to independent system-wide evaluation mechanisms.

Read the [joint statement](#) by Member States on the 2018 Annual Report on evaluation

Decisions adopted at the Executive Board annual session 2019 will be available [here](#) shortly

2018 Annual Report on Evaluation

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From the Director's desk

The 2018 Annual Report on the evaluation function provides a comprehensive overview of the performance of the evaluation function at centralized and decentralized levels, including key achievements and areas for growth and improvement. It also captures the contribution of UNFPA to the UN coherence in evaluation, including system-wide evaluations, and national evaluation capacity development.

The evaluation function at UNFPA is fully committed to implementation of the UN reform and took critical measures to support it in 2018. For example, we have significantly increased the number of joint and system-wide evaluations planned. We are also engaging more in system-wide work, such as within the United Nations Evaluation Group (UNEG) and Inter-Agency Humanitarian Evaluation (IAHE). We also advocated for the integration of evaluation within the UN Funding Compact and revised UNSDCF framework.

I'm also pleased to share that 100% of centralized evaluations scheduled in 2018-2019 have been completed or are on track to be completed. Within the continued efforts by the function to strengthen clarity and transparency in reporting, the Evaluation Office has developed a set of nine key performance indicators against which the function is to be assessed. This is the second year the Evaluation Office is reporting against these indicators. Out of nine key performance indicators, two have achieved their targets, four are on track, and three require improvement.

We also contributed to national evaluation capacity development through active engagement in multi-stakeholder partnerships, including prioritizing the capacity development of youth in evaluation.

As we accelerate efforts to achieve the ICPD Programme of Action and the SDGs, evaluation plays a central role in improved effectiveness, accelerated rights fulfillment, by surfacing what works, what doesn't, for whom, where and why. At the Evaluation Office, we are committed to bring this vision to reality.

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