





EXECUTIVE BOARD DECISION TRACKING TABLE FOR 2021

The following matrix keeps track of the implementation of specific and time-bound requests to UNFPA contained in Executive Board decisions. The decision-tracking matrix is revised on a regular basis to keep the information relevant and up-to-date.

The full text of the Decisions per Executive Board sessions is available by clicking on the decision. The full compendium of Decisions adopted by the Executive Board in 2021 can be found on the [UNFPA Executive Board Website](#).

The status of a decision is indicated as follows: **(1) GREEN** ● signifies (a) 'completed' (action has been completed or decision is no longer relevant) or (b) 'ongoing' (action in progress, if a recurring item); **(2) YELLOW** ● signifies an action is 'partially completed' (action in progress, with a due date, if relevant).

Decision	Category	Responsible division(s)	Request	Deadline	Progress and follow-up action	Status
First Regular Session 2021 (1-4 February 2021)						
2021/1 Reports of UNDP, UNCDF, UNFPA and UNOPS on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2019	Recommendations of the Board of Auditors		Para 1. Welcomes the unqualified audit opinions on UNDP, UNCDF, UNFPA and UNOPS issued by the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2019;			No actions required
	Recommendations of the Board of Auditors	Office of the Executive Director, Ethics Office	Para 2. Calls upon UNDP, UNCDF, UNFPA and UNOPS to harmonize further their reporting formats on the implementation of the Board of Auditors recommendations, including, where possible, the timeframes for their detailed reporting and the categorization of recommendations into those that are priority, and any other priorities;	Ongoing	UNFPA is in discussions with UNDP and UNOPS to harmonize the reporting formats on the implementation of the Board of Auditors Recommendations.	In Progress ●
	Recommendations of the Board of Auditors		Para 3. Notes the progress made by UNDP in addressing the top seven audit-related priorities in 2018-2019;			No actions required
			Para 4. Endorses the suggested top seven audit-related management priorities for the biennium 2020-2021;			No actions required
			Para 5. Acknowledges the progress achieved by UNDP in the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2019, strongly encourages UNDP to continue implementing the recommendations, as well as the remaining recommendations from prior years, for closure, and requests UNDP to include the impacts of			No actions required

			implemented recommendations, including on organizational culture, in its reporting on audit recommendations;		
			Para 6. Takes note of the observations by the Boards of Auditors relating to fraud risk management, and encourages UNDP to continue with its organization-specific anti-fraud strategy and advance the implementation of the fraud risk management action plan;		No actions required
			Para 7. Encourages UNDP to coordinate its actions in response to the Board of Auditors recommendations with its actions to address the Office of Audit and Investigations audit entitled “Performance Audit of UNDP Global Environmental Facility (GEF) Management”;		No actions required
			Para 8. Supports the ongoing efforts of UNCDF in implementing the recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2019;		No actions required
Recommendations of the Board of Auditors	Office of the Executive Director/ Division for Management Services	Para 9. Acknowledges the progress achieved by UNFPA in the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors for the financial period ended on 31 December 2019, welcomes the further measures planned by the organization, and strongly encourages UNFPA to continue implementing the recommendations of the Board of Auditors from prior years for closure;	Ongoing	UNFPA achieved 82% implementation of the Board of Auditors recommendations last year and the implementation progress is on track for this year. UNFPA is expecting to implement all prior years recommendations and reflect it in the BoA report to be published in July 2021 except those recommendations that are dependent on new ERP and ERM (i.e. para 10 of the decision)	In Progress 
Recommendations of the Board of Auditors	Office of the Executive Director/ Division for Management Services; ITSO	Para 10. Looks forward to the UNFPA enterprise risk management policy in 2021 and to the enterprise resource planning system in 2022 to support the implementation and closing of outstanding recommendations;	2022	UNFPA management is on track with the issuance of the final ERM policy draft. UNFPA is also working on the risk appetite statement, and fine tuning the new integrated risk framework. In addition, management has also started a detailed evaluation of suitable eGovernance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) platforms to operationalise the new ERM policy.	In Progress 
Recommendations of the Board of Auditors		Para 11. Acknowledges the progress UNOPS has achieved in the implementation of recommendations of the Board of Auditors made for the year ended 31 December 2019, encourages UNOPS to continue their efforts in implementing the recommendations, and looks forward to the next report on implementation.			No actions required