

United Nations Development Programme**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM****Date:** 21 October 2020

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To: All UNDP Ukraine Staff

Subject: Changes to the Costed Evaluation Plan 2018-2022

In line with the UNDP Evaluation Guidelines adopted in 2019, and in view of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the implementation and evaluability of programmes and projects, the following changes are suggested to the UNDP Ukraine Costed Evaluation Plan for the Country Programme Document 2018-2022:

1. To remove the following evaluations from the Evaluation plan:
 - a) **CPD Mid-term evaluation (planned for June 2020)**

The evaluation has been canceled due to travel restrictions, ban on mass gatherings and strict lockdown in March-April related to COVID-19 pandemic, which impeded a comprehensive evaluation of the CPD. Specifically, the evaluation of UNDP's area-based programmes and interventions on the ground in 24 regions of Ukraine, including Recovery and Peacebuilding Programme in the East of Ukraine, would require on-site visits and direct observation, without which the quality of evaluation would have been significantly diminished. Considering that the quarantine restrictions are intact in Ukraine as of October 2020, and according to WHO assessment, the number of cases in the country is expected increase by the end of the year, it is considered not feasible to plan CPD Mid-term evaluation in 2020 without compromising its scope and quality. The year 2021 is the penultimate year in the current CPD cycle, during which the IEO will conduct the independent country programme evaluation. ICPE findings, conclusions and recommendations will serve as inputs to the process of developing the new UNDAF and UNDP country programme. If planned for 2021, CPD Mid-term evaluation would coincide in time with this independent evaluation, and overlap in terms of mission schedule, engagement of stakeholders and beneficiaries. At the same time, 3 CPD Outcome



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evaluations, scheduled for 2021, will help meet the objectives of the CPD Mid-term evaluation and inform UNDP's programmatic interventions.

- b) Outcome evaluation, CPD Outcome 20 (UNDAF OUTCOME 3): By 2022, women and men, girls and boys participate in decision-making and enjoy human rights, gender equality, effective, transparent and non-discriminatory public services. (Planned for June 2021).**

In view of the fact that the evaluation questions have already been addressed by the project evaluations "Procurement Support Services to the Ministry of Health of Ukraine (completed in 2020)", "Promoting Mainstream Policies and Services for People with Disabilities in Ukraine (2nd Phase) (completed in 2019)", and will be addressed by evaluations of projects "Parliamentary Reform" (to be completed in 2021), and "Civil Society for Enhanced Democracy and Human Rights in Ukraine" (to be completed in 2022). The lessons learned and recommendations, received from these project evaluations, will inform the Outcome programming and the development interventions.

2. To update the evaluations completion dates, due to delays caused by the COVID-19 quarantine restrictions
- a) Forward-looking Final Evaluation of the project 'Procurement Support Services to the Ministry of Health of Ukraine' (planned for April 2020) - to be moved to September 2020**
- b) Terminal Evaluation of GEF-UNDP project 'Initial Implementation of Accelerated HCFC Phase Out in the CEIT Region' (planned for June 2020) - to be moved to October 2020**
- c) Outcome evaluation. CPD Outcome 22 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.2): By 2022, national institutions, private business and communities implement gender-responsive policies and practices to achieve sustainable management of natural resources, preservation of ecosystems, mitigation, adaptation to climate change and generation of green jobs – TBD due to COVID restrictions and uncertainty of the possibility to conduct full-scale quality evaluation, if COVID-19 restrictions are still in place.**



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3. To add evaluations to the Evaluations Plan, following the conclusion of new cost-sharing agreements:
 - a) **Final Evaluation of the project 'Sustainable Energy and Environment Secretariat to Support the Parliament of Ukraine in Sustainable Energy and Environment Area ('Green Caucus' Secretariat)'** - November 2020
 - b) **Final Evaluation of the project 'Home-Owners of Ukraine for Sustainable Energy Solutions (HOUSES)'** - February 2021
 - c) **Final Evaluation of the project 'E-learning on Sustainable Development and SDGs'** - February 2021
 - d) **Final evaluation of the project Empowered Partnership for Sustainable Development** - August 2021
 - e) **Evaluation of the project Parliamentary reform** – TBD (conducted by the donor)
 - f) **Mid-term evaluation of the UN Recovery and Peacebuilding Programme** – October 2021

All proposed changes are made in agreement with the respective project boards and donors. The annex to the memo contains the updated Evaluation Plan for UNDP Ukraine with the changes highlighted.

The Evaluation Plan may be subject to further review provided the COVID-19 quarantine restrictions are lifted.

Annex 1. Updated Costed Evaluation Plan 2018-2022



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COSTED EVALUATION PLAN 2018-2022

| UNDAF/CPD Outcome | UNDP Strategic Plan Outcome | Evaluation Title | Partners (joint evaluation) | Evaluation commissioned by (if not UNDP) | Type of evaluation | Planned Evaluation Completion Date | Estimated Cost | Provisional Source of Funding |
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| <i>CPD Outcome 21 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.1): By 2022, all women and men, especially young people, equally benefit from an enabling environment that includes labour market, access to decent jobs and economic opportunities</i> | <i>SP Outcome 1: advance poverty eradication in all its forms and dimensions</i> | <i>Outcome evaluation</i> | | - | <i>CPD Outcome Evaluation</i> | <i>August 2021</i> | <i>\$35 000</i> | <i>Project budget; donor; core funding</i> |
| <i>CPD Outcome 22 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.2): By 2022, national institutions, private business and communities implement gender-responsive policies and practices to achieve sustainable management of natural resources, preservation of ecosystems, mitigation, adaptation to climate change and generation of green jobs</i> | <i>SP Outcome 2: Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development</i> | <i>Outcome evaluation</i> | | - | <i>CPD Outcome Evaluation</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>\$35 000</i> | <i>Project budget; donor; core funding</i> |
| <i>CPD Outcome 23 (UNDAF OUTCOME 4): By 2022, communities, including vulnerable people and IDPs, are more resilient and equitably benefit from greater social cohesion, quality services and recovery support</i> | <i>SP Outcome 3: Strengthen resilience to shocks and crises</i> | <i>Outcome evaluation</i> | | - | <i>CPD Outcome Evaluation</i> | <i>September 2021</i> | <i>\$35 000</i> | <i>Project budget; donor; core funding.</i> |



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| <p><i>CPD Outcome 22 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.2): By 2022, national institutions, private business and communities implement gender-responsive policies and practices to achieve sustainable management of natural resources, preservation of ecosystems, mitigation, adaptation to climate change and generation of green jobs</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 2: Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development</i></p> | <p><i>Integrating Rio Conventions Provisions into Ukraine's National Policy Framework</i></p> | <p>GEF</p> | - | <p><i>Mandatory project final evaluation</i></p> | <p>March 2018</p> | <p>12,000</p> | <p><i>Project budget</i></p> |
| <p><i>CPD Outcome 21 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.1): By 2022, all women and men, especially young people, equally benefit from an enabling environment that includes labour market, access to decent jobs and economic opportunities</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 1: advance poverty eradication in all its forms and dimensions</i></p> | <p><i>Strengthening SME Business Membership Organizations</i></p> | <p>SECO</p> | - | <p><i>Final project evaluation</i></p> | <p>June 2018</p> | <p>25,000</p> | <p><i>Project budget; donor</i></p> |
| <p><i>CPD Outcome 21 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.1): By 2022, all women and men, especially young people, equally benefit from an enabling environment that includes labour market, access to decent jobs and economic opportunities</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 1: advance poverty eradication in all its forms and dimensions</i></p> | <p><i>Sustainable local development in rural areas of Chernivtsi and Odesa oblast</i></p> | <p>ADA</p> | - | <p><i>Project Final Evaluation</i></p> | <p>September 2019</p> | <p>\$5913</p> | |
| <p><i>CPD Outcome 20 (UNDAF OUTCOME 3): By 2022, women and men, girls and boys participate in decision-making and enjoy human rights, gender equality, effective, transparent and non-discriminatory public services</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 2: Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development</i></p> | <p><i>Procurement Support Services to the Ministry of Health of Ukraine</i></p> | <p>Government of Ukraine</p> | - | <p><i>Project Final Evaluation</i></p> | <p>September 2020</p> | <p>\$50000</p> | <p><i>Project budget; donor;</i></p> |



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| <p><i>CPD Outcome 23 (UNDAF OUTCOME 4): By 2022, communities, including vulnerable people and IDPs, are more resilient and equitably benefit from greater social cohesion, quality services and recovery support</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 3: Strengthen resilience to shocks and crises</i></p> | <p><i>Rule of Law for Stabilization in Ukraine</i></p> | <p><i>Netherlands</i></p> | <p>-</p> | <p><i>Project Final Evaluation</i></p> | <p><i>November 2018</i></p> | <p><i>\$10 000</i></p> | <p><i>Project budget; donor;</i></p> |
| <p><i>CPD Outcome 22 (UNDAF OUTCOME 1.2): By 2022, national institutions, private business and communities implement gender-responsive policies and practices to achieve sustainable management of natural resources, preservation of ecosystems, mitigation, adaptation to climate change and generation of green jobs</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 2: Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development</i></p> | <p><i>Development and Commercialization of Bioenergy Technologies</i></p> | <p><i>GEF</i></p> | <p>-</p> | <p><i>Project Final Evaluation</i></p> | <p><i>November 2019</i></p> | <p><i>\$20 000</i></p> | <p><i>Project budget; donor;</i></p> |
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| <p><i>CPD Outcome 20 (UNDAF OUTCOME 3): By 2022, women and men, girls and boys participate in decision-making and enjoy human rights, gender equality, effective,</i></p> | <p><i>SP Outcome 2: Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development</i></p> | <p><i>Promoting Mainstream Policies and Services for People with Disabilities in Ukraine (2nd Phase)</i></p> | <p><i>UNPRPD</i></p> | | <p><i>Final project evaluation</i></p> | <p><i>February 2019</i></p> | <p><i>\$ 3,000</i></p> | <p><i>Project budget; donor</i></p> |



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| <i>transparent and non-discriminatory public services</i> | | | | | | | | |
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| <i>CPD Outcome 20 (UNDAF Outcome 3): By 2022, women and men, girls and boys participate in decision-making and enjoy human rights, gender equality, effective, transparent and non-discriminatory public services</i> | <i>SP Outcome 2: Accelerate structural transformations for sustainable development</i> | <i>Civil Society for Enhanced Democracy and Human Rights in Ukraine</i> | <i>Denmark</i> | <i>-</i> | <i>Project Final Evaluation (TBC)</i> | <i>January 2022</i> | <i>TBC</i> | <i>Project budget; donor</i> |



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