



Global Evaluation Strategy 2018-2021

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Responding to a new global context



SDGs



Planet 50/50



QCPR



UNDS Reform

Reinforcing strategies

Theory of Change (ToC) and UN Women Strategic Plan (SP)

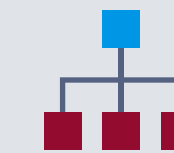


Evaluation ToC aims to advance the UN Women mission and SP



Responding to recommendations

(Executive Board, Advisory Committees, external assessments and Management)



Independence



Use of Evaluation



Capturing change and impact



National Capacity



Partnerships



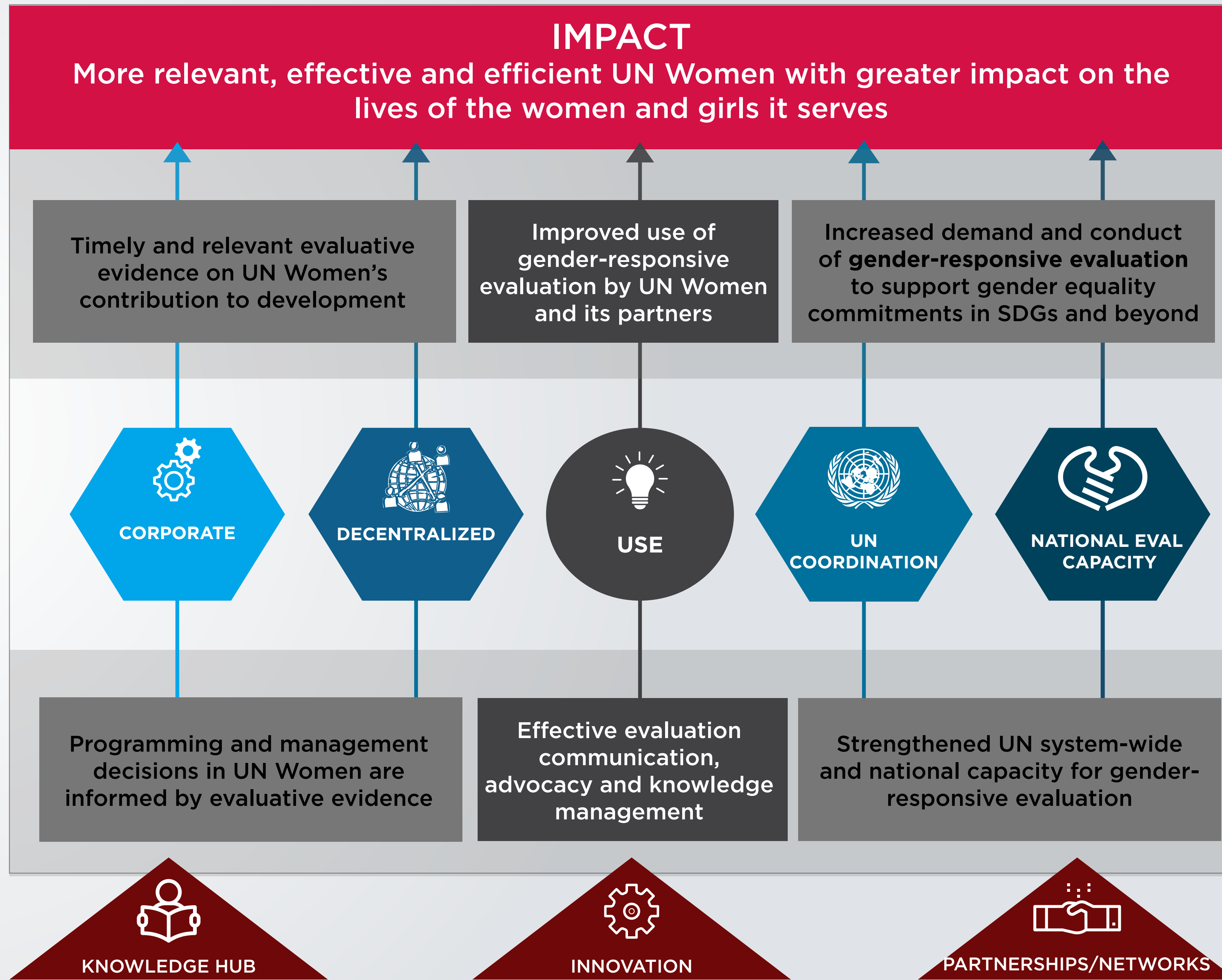
Efficiency of evaluation function

Background of the Global Evaluation Strategy 2018-2021

THEORY OF CHANGE



The strategy's Theory of Change (ToC) envisions that UN Women uses gender responsive evaluation as the agent of change in achieving its mandate and advancing gender equality and women's empowerment agenda in the era of SDGs.



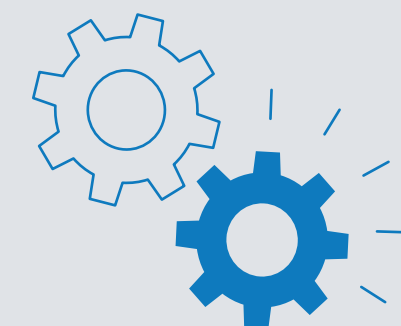
DRIVERS OF CHANGE

STRATEGIC AREAS



The synergistic approach of these strategic areas will ensure that UN-Women meets the requirement of the Evaluation Policy as well as output 3 of the Organizational Effectiveness and Efficiency Framework (OEEF) of the UN-Women Strategic Plan 2018-2021, which relates directly to evaluation: “High quality of programmes through knowledge, innovation, results-based management and evaluation.”

5 strategic areas of work



Effective corporate evaluation systems



Effective decentralized evaluation systems



National evaluation capacities



UN coordination on gender-responsive evaluation

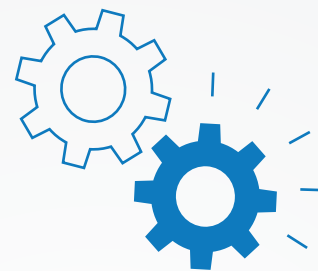


Strengthened evaluation use

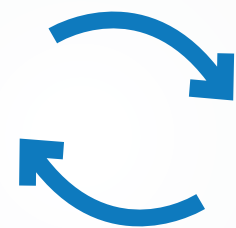
FOCUS AREA 1
Implementing Effective Corporate Evaluation Systems



Capture the contribution of UN Women to long-term outcomes and **impact**



Employ a variety of **innovative evaluation techniques**



Enhance synergies between corporate and decentralized evaluations



2018-2021 Corporate Evaluation Plan

- 10 corporate evaluations
- 1 review of UNW's Evaluation Policy
- Co-management of regional evaluations and CPEs
- Technical assistance to CO-led evaluations
- Technical assistance to HQ-led evaluations
- New evaluation approach: (ISE4GEMs)

PROGRESS

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Evaluations Completed



Women's Political Participation & Leadership



Meta-analysis of 2017 evaluations



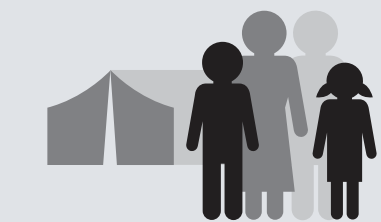
Evaluability Assessment of UNWomen's Strategic Plan 2018-2021

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Evaluations Ongoing



Governance & National Planning



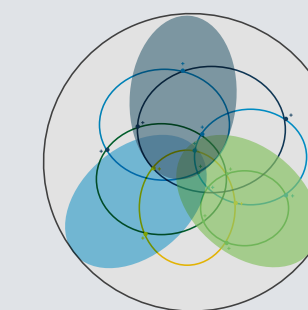
Humanitarian Action



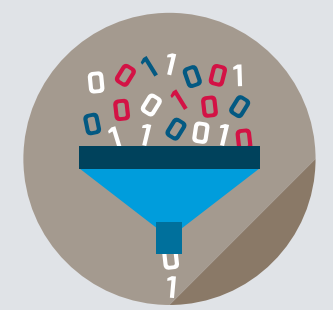
Joint Evaluation of the Common Chapter

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Methodological Development



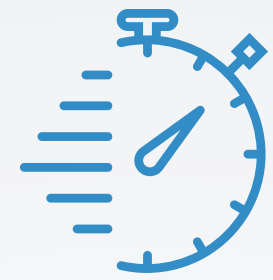
ISE4GEMs : Evaluation Guide



BIG DATA & EVALUATION : Feasibility Study

FOCUS AREA 2

Implementing Effective Decentralized Evaluation Systems



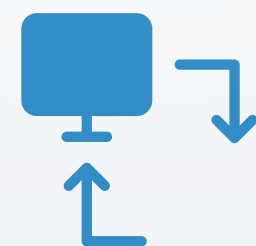
Time Country Portfolio Evaluations (CPEs) to contribute to Strategic Notes and UNDAF evaluations



Use evaluation methods, perspectives and approaches to support monitoring



Enhance capacity on gender responsive evaluations for UN Women and partners through professionalization programme



Enhance evaluation information systems



Strengthen accountability, oversight and quality assurance systems

PROGRESS

20

Evaluations Completed

2

Joint evaluations

11

Project/programme evaluations

5

CPEs

1

Global evaluation

1

Regional evaluation

38

Evaluations in Progress

5

Joint evaluations

25

Project/programme evaluations

3

CPEs

1

Global evaluation

4

Regional evaluations

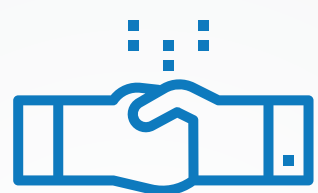
Coverage of CPEs for COs with full delegation reached

34%

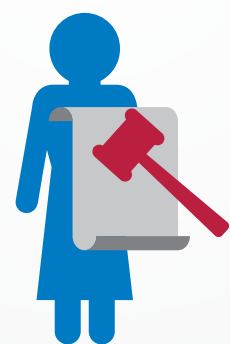
FOCUS AREA 3
**Promoting UN
Coordination
on Gender-
Responsive
Evaluation**



Leverage **leadership role** in spearheading the **UN-SWAP Evaluation Performance Indicator** in the **UN Evaluation Group (UNEG)**



Deepen **engagement** with joint evaluations, joint country led evaluations and UNDAF evaluations



Ensure **strong policy environment** for GRE



Ensure **strong capacity** for UNEG members to undertake GRE



Integrate **gender equality perspective** in UNEG documents and practice

PROGRESS

2

UNEG Working Groups co-chaired

8

UNDAF evaluations/reviews supported

1

Guidance on Institutional Gender mainstreaming developed

UNEG

Human Rights and Gender Equality Working Group co-convened

Guidance on corporate institutional gender mainstreaming developed

Technical Note and scorecard on UN SWAP 2.0 Evaluation Performance Indicator revised

Learning event on gender responsive evaluation facilitated during UNEG EPE

UNDAF

Discussion on a piloting of UNDAF evaluation initiated

Meta-analysis of UNDAF evaluations with a gender lens initiated

8 UNDAF evaluations/reviews supported

FOCUS AREA 4
**Strengthening
 National
 Evaluation
 Capacities**



Leverage role as Co-Chair of EvalGender+ to advocate for gender-responsive national evaluation systems



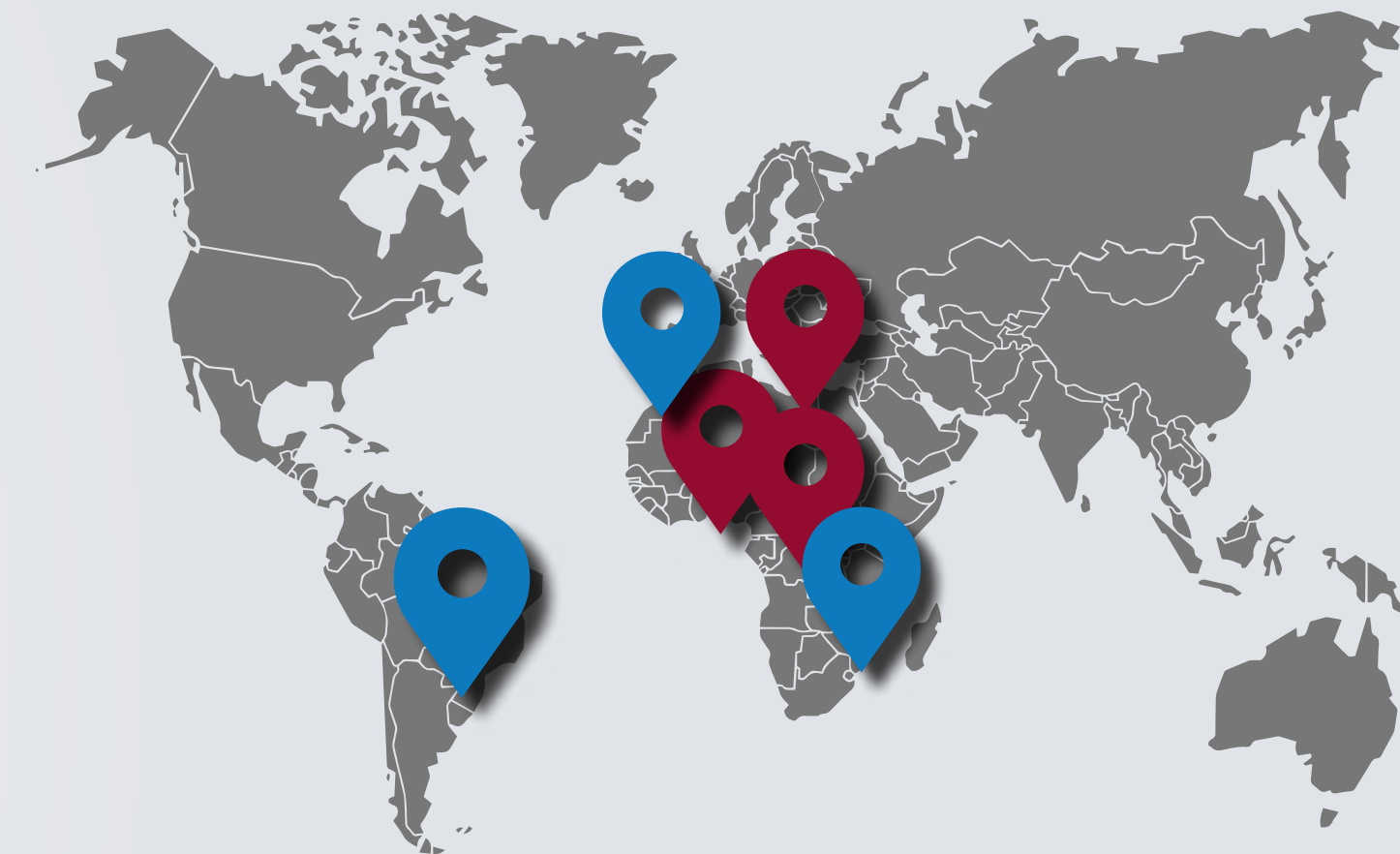
Build upon existing resources for the integration of gender-responsive evaluation in national M&E systems



‘No one left behind’- Seek new avenues for joint work with statistical departments to include a transformative lens in metrics for assessing SDGs

PROGRESS

CAPACITY BUILDING AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL



3

Finalised

3

Ongoing

CAPACITY BUILDING AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL



Co-chair of EvalGender+

- Policy brief on GRE evidence to inform VNRs
- Proposals for strengthening GRE national systems for 8 countries submitted
- Side-event on GRE in Colombo, Sri Lanka



Partnership with Finland

- Joint practice-exchange event on GRE and the SDGs with MFA of Finland



Partnership with Norad

- New partnership agreement with NORAD for GRE capacity building

FOCUS AREA 5
**Strengthening
Evaluation Use**



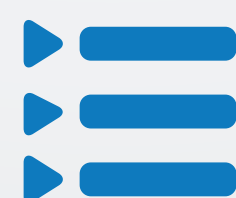
Produce evaluation content that is **relevant, timely** and owned by users



Invest in substantive knowledge sharing through knowledge and learning partnerships, including the launch of a new guidance series



Target advocacy efforts to both internal and external audiences



Work across all 4 areas to position ourselves as a leading entity

PROGRESS

Communications package produced for corporate evaluations



Evaluation Report



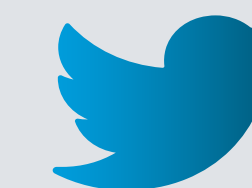
2-pager brief



Transform magazine



Webinars & newsletters



Social Media

TRANSFORM JRM The Magazine for Gender-Responsive Evaluation

3

issues produced in 2018

2K

Transform is accessed an average of over 2,000 times per issue annually

14

issues produced since 2014

4

evaluation briefs & newsletters

5K

Followers on Twitter

4

webinars organised

2019 PRIORITIES



Mid-term Review of the Global Strategy

- Evidence gap mapping to inform the selection of evaluation topics
- Ensuring evaluation of what matters and piloting delivery towards more real-time evaluative results
- Responding to reform process and change management



Review of the evaluation policy

- External review of the evaluation policy (*as per ExB decision and policy requirement*)
- Ensure evaluation policy and practices enable high quality evidence

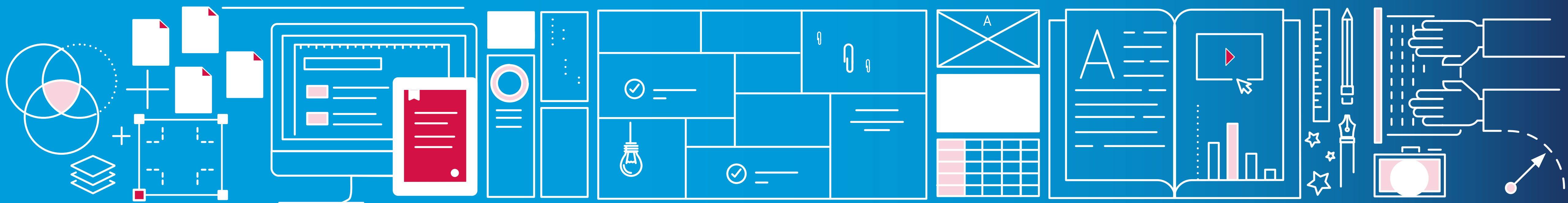


Combined Oversight Function

Internal Audit & Evaluation

- Strengthening synergies between the two functions
- Maintain adequate balance and synchronization of the two functions while ensuring integrity and independence
- Enabling UN Women to deliver results effectively and efficiently

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