

EXECUTIVE BOARD DECISION TRACKING TABLE: FIRST REGULAR SESSION 2019

DECISION	CATEGORY	RESPONSIBLE DIVISIONS	REQUEST	DEADLINE	PROGRESS AND FOLLOW UP ACTIONS	STATUS
2019/2: Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2017	AUDIT	BMS, BERA, BPPS	<i>Para. 5</i> : Recalls decisions 2018/3 and 2018/13, and underscores the need for UNDP to address issues relating to procurement oversight and fraud mitigation strategies, financial management and sustainability of country offices, programme/project management and evaluation, and partnerships and resource mobilization;	Update at First Regular Session 2019	The updated evaluation guidelines were launched in January 2019, and a regional workshop and webinars have been conducted, which are expected to improve the quality of decentralized evaluations. The work is in progress to introduce a “Managing Successful Programmes” certification to staff starting in 2019.	In Progress 
	AUDIT	BMS	<i>Para. 6</i> : Acknowledges the findings of the Board of Auditors on the monitoring of risk in country offices, requests UNDP to ensure the capacity is in place to do this effectively, and requests UNDP to report to the Board on the implementation of the updated enterprise risk management policy at its annual session of 2019, as appropriate, and as part of its report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors;	Update at Annual Session 2019 and First Regular Session 2020	Updates on this will be forthcoming	In Progress 

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	AUDIT	BMS, ExO	<i>Para. 7:</i> Notes that many of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors are at country level, and requests UNDP to consider more systemic action within their ongoing reviews of businesses process and structure	Update at next informal	Follow up towards improvements in this area is in progress.	In Progress 
	AUDIT	BMS	<i>Para. 8:</i> Acknowledges the efforts made by UNDP, and encourages UNDP to continue to improve actions for recovery of funds lost, including those due to fraud	Update at First Regular Session 2020	UNDP will continue to update the Board on actions regarding recovery of funds lost, including those due to fraud.	In Progress 
2019/3: Working methods of the Executive Board	GOVERNANCE	ExO/EBS	<i>Para. 4 :</i> Requests the Executive Board secretariats to support the core group, upon request, in analysing the effects of its findings and suggestions	As needed	The 4 Board secretariats have supported the Core Group for their meetings and in responding to queries they have had. They also compiled all responses in a multi-part annex to the Written Account of the Core Group.	Completed 

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	GOVERNANCE	Member States	<p><i>Para. 5:</i> Looks forward to the written account of the core group, to be presented at the joint meeting of the Boards in May 2019, for subsequent consideration of its findings and recommendations by the members and observers of the respective Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP</p>	May 2019 (in advance of JMB)	The Written Account was finalized by the Core Group on 17 May 2019.	Completed 

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2019/4: Implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations development system	UN REFORM	ExO, BERA	<p><i>Para. 2:</i> Recognizes the continuing contributions of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS in operationalizing resolution 72/279 and requests them, in line with General Assembly resolution 71/243 of 21 December 2016 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, resolution 72/279 and the Secretary General’s implementation plan, to continue to support and contribute to the full implementation of the reinvigorated resident coordinator system including a matrixed, dual reporting model, with United Nations country team members accountable and reporting to their respective entities on individual mandates, and periodically reporting to the resident coordinator on their individual activities</p>	Update at next informal	An information note on the status of implementation of the UNDS resolution 72/279 has been provided for both the first annual session and will be for the second regular session.	Completed and ongoing 

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	UN REFORM	BERA, BMS	<i>Para. 3:</i> Calls on UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to provide written, harmonized agency-specific information to the Executive Board at its annual session 2019 on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279, based on the information previously provided during informal consultations	Annual Session 2019	UNDP has collaborated with UNFPA, UNOPS, UNICEF and UN Women providing written, harmonized agency-specific information on implementation of GA resolution 72/279 as part of separate 'Information Notes' that have been shared with the Board in advance of the Annual Session 2019.	Completed 
	UN REFORM	BMS	<i>Para. 4:</i> Recognizes the importance of improving efficiency and effectiveness in administrative support services through inter alia enhancing inter-agency cooperation, and encourages the executive heads of UNOPS, UNFPA and UNDP to continue to take action as appropriate in these areas	Update at next informal	Improvements continue to be explored in this area.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	ExO, BMS	<p><i>Para. 6:</i> Requests UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to continue to support the Secretary-General to collaboratively implement a new generation of United Nations country teams, with needs-based tailored country presence, to be built on the United Nations Development Assistance Framework and finalized through open and inclusive dialogue between the host Government and the United Nations development system, facilitated by the resident coordinator, to ensure the best configuration of support on the ground, as well as enhanced coordination, transparency, efficiency and impact of United Nations development activities, in accordance with national development policies, plans, priorities and needs</p>	Update at next informal	UNDP continues to support the SG in such efforts.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	ExO, BMS	<p><i>Para. 7:</i> Welcomes the strong commitment of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, as part of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group, to redeploy their efficiency gains from United Nations development system reform for development activities, including coordination, and requests the three agencies to contribute to the Secretary-General's report on the cost-savings and efficiency gains and their redeployments and to update the Executive Board through existing reporting mechanisms</p>	Update at next informal	UNDP will update the Board on such matters.	<p>In Progress</p> 

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DECISION	CATEGORY	RESPONSIBLE DIVISIONS	REQUEST	DEADLINE	PROGRESS AND FOLLOW UP ACTIONS	STATUS
2019/6: Annual Report of the UNDP Administrator	ANNUAL REPORT & STRATEGIC PLAN	BPPS, ExO	<i>Para. 2:</i> Takes note of the 10 observations presented in the report, welcomes the progress made towards achieving Strategic Plan results in 2018 and urges UNDP to incorporate lessons learned in the Plan's implementation going forward	Annual Session 2020	Lessons learned will continue to be incorporated in the Plan's implementation.	In Progress 
	STRATEGIC PLAN & ANNUAL REPORT	BPPS, ExO	<i>Para. 5:</i> Takes note of the achievements on the six signature solutions of the UNDP Strategic Plan, 2018-2021 and requests that information in this regard be included but not be limited to the annual reports of the Administrator	Annual Session 2020	Information on this will be included in relevant reports.	In Progress 
	STRATEGIC PLAN & ANNUAL REPORT	BMS, ExO	<i>Para. 7:</i> Notes that many of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors are at country level, and requests UNDP to consider more systemic action within their ongoing reviews of businesses process and structure	Update at next informal	UNDP will consider more systematic action on the audit recommendations.	In Progress 

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	STRATEGIC PLAN & ANNUAL REPORT	BPPS, ExO	<i>Para. 6:</i> Recognizes the inter-agency efforts to make progress against the common chapter of the strategic plans of UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UN-Women and urges UNDP to continue working in close partnership with these organizations to further enhance effectiveness and delivery of results in line with their commitment to United Nations reform	Ongoing	UNDP will continue to work in close partnership with the other organizations.	Completed and ongoing 
	STRATEGIC PLAN & ANNUAL REPORT	ExO	<i>Para. 7:</i> Welcomes with appreciation the engagement with the Executive Board on the implementation of the Strategic Plan, 2018-2021, and requests UNDP to continue the dialogue with the Executive Board	Ongoing	UNDP will continue dialogue with the Board on implementation of the Strategic Plan.	Completed and ongoing 
2019/7: UNDP Evaluation	EVALUATION		Comments below for sub-items			

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<i>With regard to the review of the UNDP evaluation policy (DP/2019/13) and the management responses thereto (DP/2019/14):</i>	EVALUATION	IEO, BPPS	<i>Para.4:</i> Requests the Independent Evaluation Office, in close consultation with UNDP management, to draft a revised evaluation policy for consideration and approval by the Executive Board at the second regular session 2019	Second Regular Session 2019	The evaluation policy has been revised by the IEO in close consultation with BPPS, ExO and BMS. The revised draft will be considered by the Executive Board at the Second Regular Session 2019.	Completed and ongoing 
<i>With regard to the annual report on evaluation, 2018 (DP/2019/16) and the management commentaries thereto:</i>	EVALUATION	BPPS	<i>Para. 6:</i> Requests UNDP to address the issues raised	Ongoing	IEO, BPPS and RBx are conducting regional workshops on the revised decentralized evaluation guidelines (RBEC in Feb, RBA in June). A series of webinars have also been held. Actions to address issues related to for example quality have been included in the management response to the external review of the evaluation policy. These actions will be conducted in 2019/2020.	In Progress 

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<p><i>With regard to the evaluation of UNDP support to poverty reduction in the least developed countries (DP/2019/4) and the management response thereto (DP/2019/17):</i></p>	EVALUATION	BPPS	<p><i>Para. 7:</i> Takes note of the evaluation of UNDP support to poverty reduction in the least developed countries (LDCs), presented at the first regular session 2019, and the management response thereto; and requests UNDP, in line with the evaluation findings, conclusions and recommendations, to consider a more consistent programmatic engagement for poverty reduction in areas highly relevant for LDCs, and outline LDC-specific approaches and solutions that benefit people living in poverty, particularly in Africa</p>	Update at Annual Session 2020	<p>UNDP is currently preparing a report focused on the challenges and opportunities for LDCs in Africa, which is expected to provide policy and programmatic guidance to our Country Offices to better inform the preparation of their CPDs, CCAs and UNDAFs/UNSDFs. UNDP has launched the largest innovation network of 60 Accelerator Labs, serving 78 countries, including 27 LDCs and mostly in Africa. These Labs will become integral to UNDP’s existing country-based teams and infrastructure, and will enable UNDP to connect its global network and development expertise spanning 170 countries, with a more agile, innovation capacity to support countries in their national development priorities. This network of Labs will facilitate the identification of locally sourced and relevant solutions that can be scaled up. By 2020, we will take stock on the progress and partial results in LDCs.</p>	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	EVALUATION	BPPS	<p><i>Para. 8:</i> Further notes the evaluation’s recommendation regarding resource investment towards gender equality and women’s empowerment, including the finding that opportunities for mainstreaming gender equality and women’s empowerment in programme design and implementation have been underutilized in LDCs; urges UNDP to enhance systematic development support including through specifically targeting gender equality and women’s empowerment within poverty reduction interventions to promote stronger impact in LDCs through informed programming with the aim of lifting women out of poverty; and requests UNDP to update the Executive Board on steps taken in this regard through its existing reporting</p>	Annual Session 2020	<p>Resources for gender have not declined. During the Strategic Plan period of 2014-2017, it might appear so due to the linking exercise where most programmes at CO level were forced to select only one output and often did not link to gender specifically. Under the current Strategic Plan, gender related outputs are integrated across all outcomes. In addition, it is a mandatory requirement for all programmes and projects to have meet a minimum threshold in the Gender Marker to be approved. Women's Economic Empowerment (WEE) is a top priority for UNDP and its work on poverty eradication. From July to August 2019, UNDP facilitated an e-discussion for six weeks on the issue across its Global Community of Practice on Gender and the Community of Practice on Poverty and Inequality to define areas of priorities (this includes: social protection and unpaid care work; social protection and unpaid care work, recognizing and incentivizing</p>	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	EVALUATION	BPPS	<p><i>Para. 9:</i> Also notes the evaluation's findings regarding youth employment and empowerment and requests UNDP to develop a strategic approach to mainstreaming youth employment issues in its programmatic work on poverty reduction, including through integrated interventions combining policy aspects and downstream demand-supply interventions</p>	Update at Annual Session 2020	Work is underway. UNDP is currently revisiting its portfolio on jobs and livelihoods and will ensure that a youth focus is prominent and integrated across its portfolios.	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	EVALUATION	BPPS	<p><i>Para. 12:</i> Also notes the evaluation's recommendation regarding the need to enable linkages between UNDP community-level sustainable livelihood programmes and rural poverty alleviation policies in LDCs, and requests UNDP to update the Executive Board on improving measures taken in this regard through its existing reporting</p>	Annual Session 2020	<p>UNDP has recently launched the Poverty-Environment Action (PEA). PEA builds on the deep experience of the UNDP–UN Environment Poverty-Environment Initiative (PEI). Over the past decade, PEI has pioneered integrated approaches to mainstreaming poverty-environment linkages in national development planning and implementation processes. By building on PEI’s legacy, Poverty-Environment Action is expected to ensure that the environmental dimension is not left behind when addressing poverty. Leveraging broader 2030 Agenda and SDG implementation processes provides new entry points not only to mainstream environmental sustainability, but also to address related climate concerns for poverty eradication. PEA particularly targets LDCs.</p>	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	EVALUATION	BPPS	<p><i>Para. 15:</i> Encourages UNDP to act on its intentions to develop a more ambitious support frame to countries on poverty reduction in response to the concerns raised in the evaluation, and to ensure that poverty reduction remains a central pillar of the UNDP Strategic Plan.</p>	Update at Annual Session 2020	<p>UNDP is facilitating discussions across its units, the Global Policy Network, and its Global Community of Practice on Poverty and Inequality to consolidate its common narrative to support poverty eradication efforts in LDCs, including available relevant guidance, good practices and consolidation of analytical tools to promote inclusive and sustainable growth. A first package of consolidated analytics and tools should become available by early 2020. UNDP is conducting work on frontier issues to distill policy lessons to inform its programmatic offer on poverty and inequality. UNDP's flagship report, the Human Development Report, will be launched later in 2019, focusing on inequalities beyond income. UNDP and ILO have initiated collaboration on the Future of Work to define an offer of support to programmatic countries, including LDCs.</p>	<p>In Progress</p> 
2018/8: Report on results achieved by UNCDF in 2018	UNCDF		N/A			

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2019/9: UNV: Report of the Administrator	UNV	UNV	<i>Para. 8:</i> Requests that UNV build on the progress made in pursuing innovative volunteer solutions to improve its response to the challenges of implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.	Ongoing	UNV will continue to build on such progress.	In Progress 
2019/13: Reports of the Ethics Offices of UNDP, UNFPA, and UNOPS	ETHICS		Comments below for sub-items			
<i>With regard to the reports of the ethics offices of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS:</i>	ETHICS	Ethics Office, ExO	<i>Para. 1:</i> Welcomes the reports of the ethics offices of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS (DP/2019/20, DP/FPA/2019/7 and DP/OPS/2019/3), and encourages their management to continue to instill and improve a culture of ethics in the three organizations, including robust whistleblower protection policies	Ongoing	Management will continue to instill an ethical culture in the organization, including robust whistleblower protection policies.	Completed and ongoing 

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	ETHICS	BMS, ExO	<i>Para. 2:</i> Encourages the management of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS in its reporting on sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment to further enhance transparency on how implemented actions ensure a victim-centered approach and are aligned with United Nations system-wide efforts	Annual Session 2020 or earlier, as needed	UNDP will explore more victim-centred approaches and alignment with UN system-wide efforts.	In Progress 
<i>With regard to the independent review of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS policies and procedures to tackle sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment and the joint management response thereto:</i>	ETHICS	BMS, ExO	<i>Para. 6:</i> Takes note with appreciation of the independent review of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS policies and procedures to tackle sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment (DP/FPA/OPS/2019/1) and welcomes the joint UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS management response (DP/FPA/OPS/2019/2); requests UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS to provide an update on implementation of actions set out in the independent review and management response at the annual session in 2020, within existing reporting	Annual Session 2020	Updates will be provided as requested at the annual session 2020.	In Progress 

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		BMS, ExO	<i>Para. 8:</i> Welcomes the progress made so far, and urges the management of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to ensure a continued focus on all matters related to prevention and response, including investigation, to sexual harassment and sexual exploitation and abuse going forward.	Ongoing	Continued focus on all such matters will occur.	In Progress 
2019/14: Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on internal audit and investigations	AUDIT	BMS, ExO	<i>Para. 3:</i> Encourages the management of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS in its reporting on sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment to further enhance transparency on how implemented actions ensure a victim-centered approach and are aligned with United Nations system-wide efforts (same as decision 2019/13, para 2)	Annual Session 2020 or earlier, as needed	UNDP will explore more victim-centred approaches and alignment with UN system-wide efforts.	In Progress 

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	AUDIT	BMS, ExO	<p><i>Para. 5:</i> Notes with concern that the overall audit opinion has changed from “satisfactory” to “partially satisfactory/some improvement required” and appreciates that this matter is taken under serious consideration by UNDP management in its response; urges UNDP senior management to exercise greater oversight of offices that have received “unsatisfactory” audit ratings in the recent past, as well as those with high risk exposure, as identified by the Office of Audit and Investigation, and to take corrective and preventative measures to address weaknesses and vulnerabilities</p>	Annual Session 2020	These issues will be addressed in order to improve the audit rating with corrective and preventative measures.	In Progress 

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	AUDIT	BMS	<p><i>Para. 6:</i> Notes with concern that the most recurring audit issues in country offices are inadequate project monitoring and evaluations, delays in closing completed projects in the Atlas system, inadequate controls in procurement management such as not undertaking competitive procurement processes or the absence of contract reviews, inadequate oversight in the recruitment of personnel to ensure proper shortlisting and longlisting of applicants, weaknesses in financial management and weaknesses in asset management; and encourages UNDP management to address these recurring issues</p>	Ongoing	These recurring issues will be addressed.	In Progress 
	AUDIT	BMS	<p><i>Para. 8:</i> Further notes improvements in applying the harmonized approach to cash transfers and encourages UNDP to continue its efforts to enhance the oversight and management functions of implementing partners</p>	Ongoing	UNDP will continue its efforts to enhance oversight and management functions of implementing partners.	In Progress 

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	AUDIT	BMS	<i>Para. 9:</i> Appreciates that UNDP has provided information on financial losses due to fraud and improved the recovery rate between 2013 and 2018, as requested by the Board, and encourages UNDP management to continue to improve its recovery efforts and rates, and continue to report to the Board on an annual basis	Annual Session 2020	UNDP will continue to improve its fraud recovery efforts and rates and will continue to report to the Board on these issues.	In Progress 
	AUDIT	BMS	<i>Para. 10:</i> Requests UNDP to continue to work preventively and correctively to address recommendations of, and issues raised by, the Office of Audit and Investigations	Ongoing	UNDP will work to address the recommendations raised by OAI.	In Progress 

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	AUDIT	BMS	<p><i>Para. 11:</i> Notes with concern that, with regard to investigations, the most common complaints refer to financial irregularities including procurement fraud, misrepresentation, entitlement fraud, theft and embezzlement, and the high number of complaints from high-risk environments, and encourages UNDP management to address these issues as a matter of high priority</p>	Ongoing	UNDP management will address these issues as a matter of high priority.	<p>In Progress</p> 

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2019/15: Implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279 of 31 May 2018 on the repositioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the QCPR	UN REFORM	BPPS, Regional Bureaux	<p><i>Para. 2:</i> Requests UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to work towards adequately sequencing entity-specific country programme documents so that the individual programmes derive directly from the new United Nations Development Assistance Framework (now renamed United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework), which is to be prepared and finalized in full consultation and agreement with national Governments and is the most important planning document of the United Nations development system at the country level; and requests UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to provide an update at the next session of the Executive Board on adjustments required</p>	Second Regular Session 2019	UNDP will provide an update on adjustments required as part of the discussions related to UNDS repositioning and reform.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	BMS, BERA	<p><i>Para. 3:</i> Requests UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to provide, for information at the next session of the Executive Board, a detailed mapping of their regional assets and capacities, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 72/279 and mindful of ongoing discussions on the revamping of the regional approach of the United Nations development system</p>	Second Regular Session 2019	The mapping of regional assets and capacities will be provided in advance of the second regular session 2019.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	BMS, ExO	<p><i>Para. 4:</i> Welcomes the preliminary updates provided by UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on efficiencies, including through shared business operations and premises; calls upon the executive heads of UNOPS, UNFPA and UNDP to continue to take action to ensure full achievement of efficiency gains and their redeployment in line with relevant existing mandates, including from General Assembly resolutions 71/243 of 21 December 2016 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system and 72/279 on repositioning of the United Nations development system, as well as to take into account the applicable recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in the report on opportunities to improve efficiency and effectiveness in administrative support services by enhancing inter-agency</p>	Ongoing	Updates will be forthcoming on this issue.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	BMS	<i>Para. 5:</i> Requests regular updates to the Executive Board on efficiency gains and their redeployments, through existing reporting mechanisms	Annual Session 2020	Updates will be provided through existing reporting mechanisms.	In Progress 
	UN REFORM	BMS	<i>Para. 6:</i> Requests UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to continue to support the efforts of the Secretary-General to develop a tracking system to monitor efficiency gains		The efforts of the Secretary-General will be supported in this regard.	In Progress 
	UN REFORM	BMS	<i>Para. 7:</i> Notes the cost-saving measures UNDP has had to undertake to maintain a balanced budget while providing financial support to the reforms, and requests UNDP to ensure that these measures do not negatively affect its capacities to provide adequate development support to programme countries	Ongoing	UNDP will ensure that its support to programming countries is not affected.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	BMS	<p><i>Para. 8:</i> Welcomes that UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS contributed their doubled contributions to the resident coordinator cost-sharing, and calls on UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to implement the 1 per cent levy, as applicable, as per the operational guidance for implementing the coordination levy (12 March 2019) issued by the United Nations Development Coordination Office</p>	Ongoing	UNDP will implement the 1% levy as applicable.	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	UN REFORM	BMS	<p><i>Para. 9:</i> Recalls decisions 2018/16, 2018/18 and 2018/20 and notes that the agency-administered option for collecting the coordination levy adds administrative tasks to UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS and requires adjustments to agency administrative processes, and requests UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to provide information on the adjustments and to promptly report to the Executive Board on any additional transaction and administrative costs associated with the administration of the levy, within existing reporting</p>	Annual Session 2020	Updates on this will be forthcoming.	In Progress 

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	UN REFORM	BMS, BPPS	<p><i>Para. 11:</i> Encourages UNDP and UNFPA, in collaboration with UN-Women and UNICEF, to place special emphasis on the implementation of their respective Strategic Plans, including the common chapter on joint programming, in accordance with their respective mandates and comparative and collaborative advantages, and to report at the annual session in 2020, including through the midterm reviews of their respective Strategic Plans, where and how the inter-agency process among the United Nations funds and programmes has led to greater efficiencies and effectiveness</p>	Annual Session 2020	Updates on this will be provided as part of the midterm review of the Strategic Plan.	In Progress 

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2019/16: Working methods of the Executive Board	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 5:</i> Requests UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, in collaboration with the UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP, to organize joint informal briefings/consultations and strongly encourages that they be scheduled within socially acceptable hours to allow the WFP Executive Board to participate from Rome		Joint informal consultations and briefings will continue to be organized and will take place at socially acceptable hours for ones where WFP will participate.	Completed and ongoing 

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	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<p><i>Para. 6:</i> Requests the secretariat of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS Executive Board, in collaboration with the secretariats of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP, to present initial proposals to improve the working methods of the joint meeting of the Boards, including an optimal timing for convening the joint meeting of the Boards, for consideration by Member States at the second regular session 2019, mindful that the joint meeting of the Boards does not have decision-making authority and of the need to avoid duplication and overlap with the functions of the Economic and Social Council operational activities segment</p>	Second Regular Session 2019	<p>The secretariats have collaborated on a joint response on working methods of the Executive Board which addresses improvements to the Joint Meeting of the Boards. This will be presented at the Second Regular Session 2019.</p>	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<p><i>Para. 7:</i> Requests that the secretariat propose different alternatives of adjusting the date of the second regular session, mindful that it does not overlap with the other schedules, for consideration by the Executive Board at the second regular session 2019</p>	Second Regular Session 2019	<p>Alternatives for adjusting the date of the Second Regular Session are presented in the joint response of the secretariats, which will be presented at the Second Regular Session 2019.</p>	<p>In Progress</p> 

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	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<p><i>Para. 8:</i> Requests that an informal, at no cost to the organizations, meeting of the Presidents of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP be held on a regular basis for enhanced harmonization of common issues, and for increased coordination among agencies, funds, programmes and entities and the respective Executive Boards, while bearing in mind that according to the rules of procedure of Executive Boards the Presidents remain under the authority of the respective Executive Boards and do not have the authority to make decisions on any substantive matters, and that the outcome of the meetings be shared with the wider membership.</p>		The secretariats will support all efforts toward having the Presidents of the Boards meet on a regular basis.	In Progress 

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	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 12:</i> Requests that the secretariat, in collaboration with the secretariats of the Executive Boards UNICEF and UN-Women, to continue convening consecutive formal sessions of the Executive Boards in order to avoid gaps between the formal sessions of the various Executive Boards		The secretariats of the Boards will continue all efforts to convene consecutive formal sessions of the Boards, with no gaps in between the Boards.	Completed and ongoing 
	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 13:</i> Requests that the secretariat present practical proposals for improving the efficiency of the sessions of the Executive Board, including by reviewing the agenda items and the Board's efficient consideration of these, for deliberation and consideration by the Executive Board at the second regular session 2019	Second Regular Session 2019	Practical proposals for improving the efficiency of the sessions of the Executive Board are presented in the joint response of the secretariats, which will be presented at the Second Regular Session 2019.	In Progress 
	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 14:</i> Requests that the Executive Board, with the support of the secretariat, make its sessions interactive, while securing the time slot for group and national statements as appropriate and necessary	Ongoing	The secretariat will support all efforts toward making the Board sessions more interactive.	Completed and ongoing 

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	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 15:</i> Requests that while encouraging interactive discussions, any format for enhanced interaction with the heads of the agencies should contain follow-up actions within existing mechanisms	Ongoing	Follow up actions will be contained within existing mechanisms.	Completed and ongoing 
	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 16:</i> Encourages that the heads of agencies, funds, programmes and entities participating in Board sessions provide the full texts of their statements or opening remarks (presentation) online in advance and deliver shorter statements at the Executive Board sessions. The statements and presentations should be concise in highlighting the main issues, evidenced-based and action-oriented in addressing the challenges	Ongoing	UNDP has been providing detailed outlines of the Administrator's remarks and will continue to do so, including exploring the full texts.	In Progress 

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	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para. 20:</i> Requests the Bureau, assisted by the secretariat, to consult with the Bureaux of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP, to coordinate for the selection of field visits and to propose harmonized criteria for individual field visits, for evaluation by the Board at the first regular session 2020	First Regular Session 2020	Coordination on the selection of field visits is currently ongoing. Also, proposed harmonized criteria for individual field visits will be presented at the First Regular Session 2020.	In Progress 
	GOVERNANCE	ExO	<i>Para, 21:</i> Requests the secretariats of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS to circulate proposed draft decisions to the wider membership at least four weeks prior to each session, at the discretion of the Bureau, and reiterates its strong encouragement to Member States to provide their comments on draft decisions, to the extent possible, prior to the start of the session, with a view to starting substantive consultations on the draft decisions on the first day of negotiations, without pre-empting bringing in additional proposals during negotiations	Second Regular Session 2019	The Secretariat has started circulating draft decisions to the wider membership 4 weeks prior to the session.	Completed and ongoing 