

COMMENTS ON THE UNDP DRAFT COUNTRY PROGRAMME DOCUMENT (CPD) FOR COTE D'IVOIRE (2026-2030)

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GERMANY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We welcome the country programme, and the consultations made at country level. We welcome the regional focus on underserved regions in the north and west and the focus on two outcomes which should streamline UNDPs approach and focus its work. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Germany's positive feedback and endorsement of the CPD, including its regional focus and streamlined results structure. UNDP will continue to ensure that programming remains focused and responsive to priorities identified through national consultations, with particular attention to underserved areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision to the draft CPD is required.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outcome 1 should refer as an objective to "Good governance" as well as to "Anti-Corruption" as UNDP supports Côte d'Ivoire in its progress it has already made in this regard and its endeavour to further strengthen both sectors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Germany's emphasis on governance and anti-corruption. In line with United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) requirements, UNDP outcomes must remain identical to the agreed UNSDCF wording, which does not include explicit references of "good governance" or "anti-corruption" in outcome titles. However, the CPD narrative outlines UNDP contributions to strengthening governance systems, enhancing citizen engagement, and fostering trust in institutions. Anti-corruption efforts are addressed through the Corruption Perception Index (Outcome indicator 1.d), Output indicator 1.2.3 on governance quality and corruption handling, and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes have been made to the outcome wording, which must remain verbatim as per the UNSDCF. Governance and anti-corruption are already well integrated throughout the narrative and the results and resources framework

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		Output indicator 1.1.3. Governance is further integrated through alignment of Outcome 1 with Pillar 5 of the National Development Plan (NDP) on state modernization. UNDP will ensure that this focus is maintained throughout implementation.	(RRF).
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We encourage UNDP to continue to actively participate in donor coordination. Programmes and activities should be closely aligned between different development partners and foster synergies while avoiding duplications. Germany is actively engaged in supporting resilience in the northern areas of Côte d'Ivoire through similar approaches making a close donor coordination even more vital. • We encourage donor coordination also in the second outcome. German development cooperation is also active in supporting structural transformation and just transition. We welcome close coordination at country level to ensure synergies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNDP appreciates Germany's strong support for effective donor coordination. UNDP remains committed leading and actively participating in donor coordination platforms, particularly in the north and west where multiple partners are engaged. The CPD prioritizes joint programming and co-financing mechanisms to ensure alignment of interventions, foster synergies and avoid duplication. UNDP will continue working closely with Germany and other partners to strengthen resilience and inclusive development in underserved regions. • UNDP appreciates Germany's engagement in advancing structural transformation and a just transition in Côte d'Ivoire. UNDP fully shares this priority, and Outcome 2 of the CPD directly addresses these dimensions, through support for innovation, value chain development, and green and blue jobs. Germany is listed as a key partner under both outcomes in the RRF, and UNDP will ensure strong coordination through joint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination has been reflected in paragraph 18. • The commitment to donor coordination is also emphasized in the Programme Management sections and in the risk mitigation measures. Implementation will prioritize joint actions and regular consultations with partners. • No revision

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		platforms, regular consultations, and co-financing opportunities.	required; Germany is already listed under both Outcome 1 and Outcome 2 in the RRF partner column, ensuring clarity on areas of joint engagement.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We support the focus to leave no one behind and encourage UNDP to implement a gender sensitive approach and support diversity inclusion. We welcome the gender-disaggregated indicators. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Germany's support for the CPD commitment to leave no one behind, gender sensitivity, and diversity inclusion. These principles are integrated throughout the narrative, theory of change, outputs, and indicators. Gender-disaggregated data and dedicated gender-related targets are included. UNDP will continue to promote gender equality and inclusion throughout programme implementation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision required; these aspects are comprehensively integrated throughout the narrative and the results framework.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDPs mandate is focused on achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We therefore welcome the focus on just transition and reducing inequality. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Germany's recognition of the CPD alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs. The CPD prioritizes inclusive economic transformation, a just green transition, and the reduction of inequalities, in line with national 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision required; these themes are already reflected throughout the narrative, theory

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		priorities and the UNSDCF.	of change, and results framework.
CANADA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We welcome the CPD strong alignment with the Côte d'Ivoire National Development Plan (NDP) 2026–2030, particularly its focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human capital development, including youth employment, skills development, and education. Gender equality and women's empowerment, with clear targets and mechanisms to support women-led micro-, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs), increase political participation, and reduce gender gaps in access to services. Climate resilience and green growth, including support for nature-based solutions, renewable energy, and green jobs. Digital transformation and inclusive governance, especially in underserved regions. These priorities are consistent with the Government of Côte d'Ivoire's stated ambitions and reflect areas of shared interest with Canada, particularly in advancing inclusive and sustainable development, gender equality, and climate action. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Canada's recognition of the strong alignment of the CPD with the NDP and its endorsement of key priorities, including gender equality, climate resilience, digital transformation, and inclusive governance. Continued collaboration with Canada in these areas of shared interest is welcomed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision required; these elements are fully integrated in the narrative, theory of change, and results framework.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We commend the CPD commitment to: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Canada's positive feedback 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leaving No One Behind (LNOB), with a strong emphasis on rural populations, women, youth, and vulnerable groups. ○ Rights-based approaches, including collaboration with the National Human Rights Commission and Ombudsperson to strengthen grievance mechanisms. ○ Participatory governance, through inclusive dialogue platforms and civic engagement mechanisms. ○ Innovation and digital public services, which are critical enablers for inclusive service delivery and economic transformation. ○ We also appreciate the CPD attention to risk mitigation, including conflict sensitivity, regional instability, and climate-related vulnerabilities, and its strategy to scale successful pilots and institutional reforms. 	<p>on the comprehensive approach reflected in the CDP to LNOB, rights-based programming, participatory governance, innovation, digitalization, and risk management. Canada's partnership remains instrumental in translating these commitments into tangible results.</p>	<p>required; all points are clearly articulated in the narrative and results framework.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We note that several indicators could be updated. The 66,000 asylum seekers figure is closer to 80,000 now. Notably, UNDP recently published the Human Development Index (HDI), where Côte d'Ivoire recorded the strongest HDI growth in sub-Saharan Africa. The country now exceeds the regional average, ranks first among West African Economic and Monetary Union (UEMOA) countries, and has gained five places globally. It is now third within Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and has achieved a record increase of +0.017—the highest on the continent and the fourth highest globally. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNDP acknowledges the useful data update provided by Canada. The number of asylum seekers has been revised to 67,000, with the citation updated based on the latest Reliefweb report (15 May 2025). While different counting methodologies exist, UNDP will continue to rely on Reliefweb figures to ensure consistency. • Regarding HDI, Côte d'Ivoire's recent record growth—the highest in sub-Saharan Africa—will be referenced to further illustrate the country's human development progress. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of asylum seekers has been updated to 67,000 based on the latest Reliefweb report, the citation has been revised accordingly. • A narrative addition was

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			made to paragraph 1 regarding HDI, with a corresponding citation.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We do not observe any reframing or backtracking on UNDP normative roles. On the contrary, the CPD reinforces UNDP comparative advantage in governance, gender equality, and climate resilience, and positions the organization as a key partner in Côte d'Ivoire's development trajectory. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP appreciates Canada's recognition that the CPD maintains and reinforces UNDP normative roles and comparative advantages. Continued support in advancing governance, gender equality, and climate resilience is highly valued. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision required; the CPD fully reflects this orientation.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Côte d'Ivoire, in addition to its role in the Technical and Financial partners (PTFs) leadership quartet and coordination among development partners in policy dialogue, UNDP plays a leading role in the formulation of the National Development Plan (NDP) (to be finalized in the coming weeks according to plan), further reinforcing the coherence between the CPD and national priorities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP acknowledges Canada's recognition of its leadership in policy dialogue and coordination, as well as its role in the formulation of the NDP. This contribution has helped ensure coherence and alignment between the CPD and national development priorities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No revision required; the CPD already reflects this role in the narrative and its alignment with the NDP.