Update on implementation of GA Resolution 72/279

Repositioning the UN Development System

Executive Board Informal Briefing

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UNICEF’s vision for reform

- Reform for integrated and tailored UN support to national governments
- Reform for results
- Reform for leaving no one behind
- Reform for prevention and resilience
Supporting the new Resident Coordinator system

• **Country-level chapter of MAF** now being implemented - UNICEF is now tracking experiences of country offices

• Supporting the **Pool of RCs** – currently 14 UNICEF staff in the pool

• **Operationalizing the 1% levy** – partial roll-out by donors, tracking costs for UNICEF
Strengthening system-wide analysis, planning & reporting

- **UNSDCF Companion Pieces** being developed – due in September
- 15 UNCTs start **implementation of new UNSDCF**s in 2020 and a further 36 in 2021
- **UNICEF CPDs and Situation Analysis** aligned and sequenced with UNSDCF and CCA, subject to national government guidance
- **Strengthening collaboration in analysis and planning** – eg: Cambodia SDG Leadership Lab
Advancing shared business operations & premises

- **Revised Business Operations Strategy guidelines and online tool** – testing and roll-out by end of 2019

- **Cost benefit analysis** for country-level common back offices – assessing costs by function

- Marketplace survey to determine viability of a **network of global shared service centres**

- **Common premises** – guidelines, tools and UN-wide premise database being developed - **UNICEF currently at 47% common premises**
Review of agency assets at country & regional levels

- **Regional and Multi-Country Office Reviews** still underway – UNICEF ready to engage in intergovernmental and interagency discussions

- UNICEF developed **value proposition for Regional Offices** – outlining key accountabilities and functions at regional level

- **UNICEF mapping of regional assets and capacities** submitted to the Executive Board

- Developed internal principles for any cases of **joint representation**
Analysis undertaken of **Funding Compact targets** that are relevant to UNICEF – to be discussed in the Structured Dialogue on Financing

UNICEF and other NY-based entities developed **agency-specific baselines** for reporting to the Board

**Joint Fund for the SDGs** – 24 proposals funded so far (22 including UNICEF) – second call for concept notes in 4th quarter 2019
Way forward

• Interagency and intergovernmental consultations on Regional and MCO Reviews

• Country-level implementation:
  • UNSDCFs
  • MAF
  • BOS, back offices and common premises

• Funding Compact implementation

• Mid-term Review of UNICEF Strategic Plan – taking into account the System-wide Strategic Document and other aspects of UNDS reform

• Promote two-way learning and communication with staff
Questions & Discussion