

Costed evaluation plan – Albania – UNICEF country programme of cooperation, 2027– 2031

The table presents evaluations planned for the duration of the programme cycle. Additional guidance on financial resources for evaluation is outlined in the revised evaluation policy of UNICEF (2023) ([E/ICEF/2023/27](#)) and its corrigendum ([E/ICEF/2023/27/Corr.1](#)).

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Evaluation of the UNICEF-supported project “Life skills improved through their integration in upper secondary education curricula and careers guidance introduced in the school system”	UNSDCF outcome 1: Inclusive human capital development	Impact Result 2: 350 million more children and young people learning and skilled	The project is supported through European Union funding provided to the Government of Albania and implemented by UNICEF; therefore, the results of the evaluation are important for ensuring accountability and providing evidence on the use of resources.	Ministry of Education Ministry of Finance	To inform the Ministry of Education, European Union and other stakeholders on main achievements and learnings from the project guide design of future programmes and investments in the same field.	2027	17 000 (RR) 23 000 (ORR) 40 000 (Total)
Evaluation of the Akelius Digital Language Learning Programme in Albania	UNSDCF outcome 1	Impact Result 2	Albania’s Akelius programme has reached sufficient maturity – operating across formal schools, vocational institutions, and juvenile justice settings – to allow a meaningful assessment of effectiveness, equity and sustainability across diverse learner groups. Albania's EU accession places a premium on education quality and digital transformation, creating demand for evidence that makes this evaluation strategically timed to directly influence	Ministry of Education Ministry of Economy and Innovation	The evaluation findings are intended to inform UNICEF Albania and the Government’s decisions on how to further scale and sustain the Akelius programme within the national education system, particularly as Albania advances its European Union accession commitments on	2028	10 000 (RR) 30 000 (ORR) 40 000 (Total)

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			national education reform at scale.		digital transformation and education quality. More broadly, the findings will contribute to the global evidence base on digital language learning, offering lessons relevant to other UNICEF country offices and development partners considering similar investments.		
Evaluation of the implementation of the National Plan of Action of Child Guarantee 2026–2030	UNSDCF outcome 1	Impact result 3: 100 million fewer children in multidimensional poverty	The implementation of the National Plan of Action of Child Guarantee is a key priority for the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare. The Plan was developed with technical support from UNICEF and launched in March 2026. The evaluation is embedded within the Plan as an important tool to monitor progress, inform effective implementation and strengthen results.	Ministry of Health and Social Welfare	The evaluation will inform relevant ministries and institutions on the status of achievements of the interventions outlined in the Plan. Its findings and recommendations will inform decision makers on how to address bottlenecks and strengthen the effective implementation of the Plan.	2029	20 000 (RR) 40 000 (ORR) 60 000 (Total)

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Evaluation of the UNICEF Albania country programme of cooperation, 2027–2031	UNSDCF outcome 1: UNSDCF outcome 3: Governance, justice and human rights	Impact result 1: 10 million child lives saved and at least 500 million children healthy, well nourished and developmentally on track Impact Result 2 Impact Result 3 Impact result 4: 350 million children are protected from violence Impact Result 5: 500 million children are better protected from disasters and climate and environmental risks	The evaluation will inform UNICEF's strategic positioning within a rapidly evolving upper-middle-income context, ensuring its continued relevance and responsiveness to emerging priorities and evolving dynamics.	Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs Ministry of Health and Social Welfare Ministry of Education	The evaluation will enhance UNICEF accountability to the Government, donors, implementing partners and other strategic stakeholders. The evaluation will generate evidence-based lessons learned and recommendations to inform the design of the next country programme and the subsequent United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework.	2030	10 000 (RR) 40 000 (ORR) 50 000 (Total)
Total resources							57 000 (RR) 133 000 (ORR) 190 000 (Grand total)