

**Template for delegations providing comments on the
country programme documents**
2020 First Regular Session

Delegation name: **European Commission**

Draft country programme document: **Mali**

Delegations are kindly invited to use this template to share their comments on any of the draft CPDs being presented during the forthcoming Board session.

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/1, country programme documents (CPDs) are considered and approved in one session, on a no-objection basis. All comments received by the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board before the deadline will be made public on the Executive Board website, and considered by the respective regional office, in close consultation with the country office and the concerned Government.

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| General comments | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With the humanitarian crisis in Mali continuing, the document should also explain how it relates to the HRP, not only “strategic plans” of other aid agencies.• As violence and insecurity continue, what mitigation measures are in place to ensure proper delivery of humanitarian aid as well as the security of staff? Does UNICEF follow a “stay and deliver approach”? – detailed description would be appreciated• What arrangements are in place to ensure proper monitoring, especially in conflict-affected areas? The use of third party monitoring is cited, but without further details.• More information would be welcome on the cooperation with others so as to contribute to collective outcomes and build a maximum of synergies, notably in terms of nutrition that requires a multi-sectoral approach.• Could UNICEF provide an update on the roll-out of the Simplified Nutrition Protocol in Mali and the related evidence-gathering in place? The Simplified Protocol would need to be integrated, especially the role that UNICEF intends to play during the testing of the protocols in country, but also for their potential rolling out in the coming years• Mali is a forgotten humanitarian crisis: What does UNICEF foresee to enhance advocacy in this respect?• Mali is a complex crisis. Humanitarian-Development Nexus is important: What does UNICEF intend to do to foster implementation of the Nexus while ensuring that humanitarian aid is implemented fully in line with the humanitarian principles? It is important that humanitarian aid and humanitarian actors are perceived as neutral and independent so as to have continued access to population in need – and not to endanger the security of aid workers. |
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| <p>Comments on specific aspects of the country programme document</p> | <p><i>(Delegations providing comments may wish to include details, such as the page number X, paragraph number X, or annex (results and resources framework).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paragraphs 24 and 25: it would be interesting to further develop the potential linkages between the conflict and risk analysis (paragraph 24), and the reduced humanitarian access (paragraph 25) |
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