## Costed evaluation plan - North Macedonia - UNICEF country programme of cooperation, 2021-2025

The table draws from the Integrated Monitoring and Evaluation Plan to cover present evaluations planned for the duration of the programme cycle. Additional guidance on financial resources for evaluation is outlined in the revised Evaluation Policy (E/ICEF/2018/14).

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Evaluation of UNICEF interventions related to the inclusion of children with disabilities <sup>1</sup>	Outcome 2 – By 2025, people in North Macedonia have universal access to rights-based quality social services — healthcare, education, and necessary social and child protection — rooted in systems resilient to emergencies.	Goal Areas 1, 2, 3 and 5	Cross-cutting thematic evaluation that would encompass numerous actions implemented during the country programme 2016— 2020 under four programmes: health and nutrition, child protection, education and social protection, as well as a communication strategy aimed at the inclusion of children with disabilities	Inform decision-making on policies and organizational effectiveness, and guide programme design.  Enhance the accountability of UNICEF to key stakeholders and contribute to learning and knowledge-sharing related to the situation of children with disabilities.	March 2021	50 000 (OR) 20 000 (RR)
Evaluation of the childcare reform	Outcome 2 – By 2025, people in North Macedonia have universal access to rights-based quality social services — healthcare, education, and necessary social and child protection — rooted in systems resilient to emergencies.  Outcome 4 – By 2025, people in North Macedonia benefit from improved rule	Goal Areas 1 and 3	Strategic thematic evaluation comprising several key actions that are relevant to childcare, such as support to deinstitutionalization, the setup of community-based services, the setup of a gatekeeping mechanism and foster	Generate evidence on the functioning of established mechanisms, which is necessary to identify shortcomings of the mechanisms and steer further actions to address them.	Last quarter of 2023 or first quarter of 2024	35 000 (OR) 20 000 (RR)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This evaluation was part of the costed evaluation (CEP) plan for the country programme document (CPD) 2016–2020. In 2019, the country office focused efforts on the CPD development process and decided to postpone the evaluation to 2020. The intent was to explore the opportunity to be part of the Multi-Country Evaluation on Inclusion of Children with Disabilities. Due to the coronavirus disease 2019 crisis, the regional office-led multi-country evaluation was postponed; the country office also deprioritized the evaluation. As the topic remains important for programming, the evaluation has been included in this CEP.

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	of law; evidence-based, anticipatory and gender- responsive policies; greater social cohesion; and effective service delivery by transparent, accountable and responsive institutions.		care and adoption.  Critical for determining whether the established protective mechanisms are effective and delivering expected results			
Evaluation of UNICEF interventions supporting the social protection reform	Outcome 2 – By 2025, people in North Macedonia have universal access to rights-based quality social services — healthcare, education, and necessary social and child protection — rooted in systems resilient to emergencies.	Goal Area 5	Strategic thematic evaluation comprising two major changes introduced in the country's social protection system in 2019: a reform of the social protection cash benefits schemes and services and the introduction of case management.	Generate evidence to inform and influence future policymaking, and steer future actions to increase the reach and effectiveness of the social protection system.	Last quarter of 2022	25 000 (OR) 25 000 (RR)
Evaluation of UNICEF interventions in the area of student evaluation and assessment in the education system in North Macedonia	Outcome 2 – By 2025, people in North Macedonia have universal access to rights-based quality social services — healthcare, education, and necessary social and child protection — rooted in systems resilient to emergencies.	Goal Area 2	The country programme includes work to address the recommendations that were generated by a 2019 comprehensive review focused on student assessment. This includes using teacher appraisal to support and incentivize good teaching and creating a stronger framework to monitor and evaluate national progress in education.	Generate evidence on the results from the implemented recommendations to strengthen teaching quality, student assessment and learning outcomes. This will be used to inform decision-making on policies, as evidence and lessons for the effectiveness of programme actions, as well as to enhance the accountability of UNICEF to key stakeholders.	Third or fourth quarter of 2025	40 000 (OR) 15 000 (RR)

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Country programme evaluation	All four UNSDCF outcomes	All Goal Areas	There has been no country programme evaluation conducted to date.	Enhance UNICEF accountability to key stakeholders, contribute to learning and knowledge sharing, and serve as a key input in the development of the 2026–2030 UNICEF country programme.	Third quarter of 2024	80 000 (RR)
Total					310 000	