Rating Scale	Very Good	Good	Fair	Unsatisfactory	Reviewer Guidance :
Rating explanation	The report can be used with high level of confidence and is considered a good example.	The report can be used with certain degree of confidence.	Partially meets requirements with some missing elements. The report can be used with caution.	Misses out the minimum quality standards.	- Overall reports are rated against a 4-point scale (Very Good, Good, Fair and Unsatisfactory), which is an aggregated rating of eight parameters. - Each overarching parameter is rated against a 4-point scale (Fully, Mostly, Partially and Not at all). - Parameters such as evaluation methodology, findings, conclusions and recommendations are given more weight. - **Executive feedback** - provide summary of the extent to which the report meets or fails to meet the criteria provided under each parameter. Please also include suggestion on how to improve future evaluation practice. The overall review, rating , and the executive feedback will be provided to the evaluation commissioning office.

Parameter Weight (%)	1: Object and context	5	5: Conclusions and lessons learned	20	*Are weightings equal to 100%?*
	2: Purpose and scope	5	6: Recommendations	15	OK
	3: Methodology	15	7: Gender Equality and Human Rights (UN-SWAP)	10	
	4: Findings	20	8: Presentation	10	

PART I: REPORT DETAILS

Report title	Corporate Evaluation of UN Women's Contribution to Governance and National				Geographical Coverage	Global
Sequence number		7	Evaluators	N/A	[Male]	Year	2019
Region	Corporate (HQ)		Country(ies)	Global		Type of intervention evaluated	Corporate
Portfolio Budget (USD)	N/A		Evaluation Budget	300,000.00		Reviewer	Claudia Marcondes
Strategic Plan Thematic Area (select all that apply)	Gender response plans					Review Date	07 December 2019

PART II: THE EIGHT KEY PARAMETERS

SECTION 1: OBJECT AND CONTEXT OF THE EVALUATION (weight 5%)	RATING	Very Good
Does the report present a clear and full description of the 'object' of the evaluation?	92%	**Executive Feedback on Section 1**
1.1 The report clearly specify the object of the evaluation, and provides clear and complete description of the intervention's logic or theory of change, intended beneficiaries by type and by geographic location(s) as well as resources from all	Fully	A good description of the object is included with the theory of change and complete description of the intervention's, providing a framework to guide contribution analysis to understand UN Women's contribution to outcomes. A complete overview of the UN Women's support to Governance and National Planning (GNP) includes descriptions of the size of the portfolio and provides the reader with a clear sense of the intervention. Descriptions also include contextual information on the importance of locking gender analysis into GNP systems (policy-planning-budgeting-monitoring-review cycle) as a crucial component in efforts to guarantee GE. General description of the key stakeholders involved are also included in the report but more details about the implementing partners and national stakeholders could be added for better understanding of the interventions and their scope. The report describes implementation status of the portfolio of activities, as appropriate considering the nature of this global programme.
1.2 The **context** includes factors that have a direct bearing on the object of the evaluation: social, political, economic, demographic, and institutional. This also includes explanation of the contextual gender equality and human rights issues, roles, attitudes and relations.	Fully	
1.3 The **key stakeholders** involved in the implementation, including the implementing agency(s) and partners, other stakeholders and their roles are described.	Mostly	
1.4 The report identifies **the implementation status of the object**, including its phase of implementation and any significant changes (e.g. plans, strategies, logical frameworks) that have occurred over time and explains the implications of those changes for the evaluation.	Fully	

SECTION 2: PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE (weight 5%)	RATING	Very Good
Are the evaluation purpose, objectives and scope sufficiently clear to guide the evaluation?	100%	**Executive Feedback on Section 2**
2.1 **Purpose, objectives and use of evaluation:** The evaluation report provides clear explanation of the purpose and the objectives of the evaluation including the intended use and users of the evaluation and how the information will be used.	Fully	The Purpose, objectives and use of evaluation are clearly outlined. Key users are also well described. The evaluation's objectives include assessments related to the evaluation criteria (e.g. relevance/appropriateness; effectiveness, efficiency; GE/HR integration). The Scope is also properly outlined (including thematic and geographic coverage) and well presented in the final report through the use of graphs.
2.2 **Evaluation Scope:** The evaluation report provides clear description of the scope of the evaluation, including justification of what the evaluation covers and did not cover (thematically, geographically etc) as well as the reasons for this scope (eg., specifications by the ToRs, lack of access to particular geographic areas for political or safety reasons at the time of the evaluation, lack of data/evidence on particular elements of the intervention).	Fully	

SECTION 3 : METHODOLOGY (weight 15%)	RATING	Very Good
Is the methodology used for the evaluation clearly described and appropriate, and the rationale for the methodological choice justified?	93%	**Executive Feedback on Section 3**
3.1 **Methodology:** The report specifies and provides complete description of a relevant design and sets of methods including the chosen evaluation criteria, questions, and performance standards. The methods employed are appropriate for analyzing gender and rights issues identified in the evaluation scope.	Fully	A good description of the methodology is included. The data collection and analysis methods are comprehensive and appropriate for the triangulation, analysis and assessments of GE and HR specific results, which is in line with the scope and topic of the evaluation. Data sources are clearly outlined, including a high level rationale for the selection of the country visits and case studies (with full details presented in the Annex). Information about sampling and their representation in the generalization of the findings is properly cited as limitations. A large number of stakeholders was consulted . While a rationale is presented for the data collection methods, more information about the rationale for selection of the Key Informants in each lines of evidence could have been included. A good overview of the evaluation limitations and constraints is also included. The evaluation was conducted in line with gender equality and human rights principles as set out in the UN Evaluation Group Norms and Standards for Evaluation in the UN System.
3.2 **Data collection, analysis and sampling:** The report clearly describes the methods for the data sources, rationale for their selection, data collection and analysis methods. The report includes discussion of how the mix of data sources was used to obtain a diversity of perspectives, ensure data accuracy and overcome data limitations.	Fully	
3.3 **Stakeholders Consultation:** The evaluation report gives a complete description of stakeholder's consultation process in the evaluation, including the rationale for selecting the particular level and activities for consultation.	Mostly	
3.4 **Limitations:** The report presents clear and complete description of limitations and constraints faced by the evaluation, including gaps in the	Fully	
3.5 Ethics: The evaluation report includes a discussion of the extent to which the evaluation design included ethical safeguards and mechanisms and measures that were implemented to ensure that the evaluation process	Mostly	

SECTION 4: FINDINGS (weight 20%)	Rating	Very Good
Are the findings clearly presented, relevant and based on evidence?	100%	**Executive Feedback on Section 4**
4.1The evaluation report findings provide sufficient levels of high quality evidence to systematically address all of the evaluation questions and criteria.	Fully	The findings provide answers to all evaluation questions and criteria using high quality evidence systematically. There is a good level of examples presenting detailed information in boxes as well as supportive evidence presented throughout the Findings section, showing proper and comprehensive data analysis. Casual factors are presented through comprehensive explanations for the achievement/non-achievement of expected results. Findings are well articulated in line with the evaluation criteria and questions and presented logically and coherently. The report uses graphs and figures to synthesize information (e.g. Table 4 in pp. 70 showing Progress rating for outputs and outcomes in the reconstructed Theory of Change). This makes it easier to read. Suggest ensuring all graphs include information about the
4.2 Findings are clearly supported by and respond to the evidence presented, reflecting systematic and appropriate analysis and interpretation of the data; they are	Fully	

4.3 The causal factors (contextual, organizational, managerial, etc.) leading to achievement or non-achievement of results are clearly identified.	Fully	Theory of Change). This makes it easier to read. Suggest ensuring all graphs include information about the data sources used in their construction.
4.4 Findings are presented with clarity, logic and coherence (e.g., avoid ambiguities).	Fully	

SECTION 5: CONCLUSIONS AND LESSONS LEARNED (weight 20%)	Rating	Very Good
Are the conclusions clearly presented based on findings and substantiated by evidence?	83%	**Executive Feedback on Section 5**
5.1 Conclusions are well substantiated by the evidence presented and are logically connected to evaluation findings.	Mostly	Conclusions are well substantiated by the evidence and clearly based on the evaluation findings. Each conclusion cites the findings to which it is connected however they are not clearly stating a "conclusion". E.g. Conclusion statement 1: "Conceptualizing GNP as a central platform for UN Women's support to national government" but the first paragraph would better as a "conclusion statement" if summarized as follows: "Gender-responsive GNP is a key foundational work for achieving gender equality at country level, but enhanced focus is needed to drive the promotion of gender equality across all national and local Governments policy and planning". The conclusions provide good insights and go beyond the findings, leading naturally to the recommendations that follow immediately after each conclusion. Strengths and weaknesses are properly documented drawing from the evidence, citing the Findings, which are clearly based on the evidence and represent a range of views. One of the evaluation questions relate to Lessons Learned and as such, lessons are articulated as findings and as such, they are not generalized and/or presented in a way which would enable their applicability in other contexts. Suggest to address this, by clearly articulating what worked and what did not work well in the UN Women work experience in light of future work.
5.2 The conclusions reflect reasonable evaluative judgments that add insight and analysis beyond the findings	Fully	
5.3 Conclusions present **strengths and weaknesse**s of the object (policy, programmes, project's or other intervention) being evaluated, based on the evidence presented and taking due account of the views of a diverse cross-	Fully	
5.4 **Lessons Learned:** When presented, the lessons learned section stems logically from the findings, presents an analysis of how they can be applied to different contexts and/or different sectors, and takes into account evidential limitations such as generalizing from single point observations.	Partly	

SECTION 6: RECOMMENDATIONS (weight 15%)	Rating	Good
Are the recommendations relevant, useful, and actionable and clearly presented in a priority order?	60%	**Executive Feedback on Section 6**
6.1 Recommendations are logically derived from the findings and/or conclusions.	Fully	Ten recommendations are put forward, as appropriate. They are relevant to the object and purposes of the evaluation and clearly articulate the sets of actions needed to address issues identified in the evaluation findings and conclusions. There is no description of the process used to develop the recommendations. Suggest adding information about this. Recommendations are actionable, targeted and contain clear directions for implementation but they are not prioritized and/or classified to support use.
6.2 The repor**t describes the process** followed in developing the recommendations including consultation with stakeholders.	Not at all	
6.3 Recommendations are clear, realistic (e.g., reflect an understanding of the subject's potential constraints to follow-up) and actionable.	Fully	
6.4 Clear prioritization and/or classification of recommendations to support use.	Not at all	

SECTION 7: GENDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS (weight 15%)	Score	Meets Requirements
Does the evaluation meet UN SWAP evaluation performance indicators? Note: this section will be rated according to UN SWAP standards.	89%	**Executive Feedback on Section 7**
7.1 GEWE is integrated in the evaluation scope of analysis and evaluation criteria and questions are designed in a way that ensures GEWE related data will be collected.	Fully integrated (3)	The scope fully integrates gender as appropriate for a UN Women's thematic evaluation. The evaluation's objectives directly relate to gender. The evaluation criteria includes GE/HR integration and gender-related evaluation questions are included. Data gaps in UN-Women reports were identified as an evaluation limitation. The main subject of the evaluation was the assessment of the UN Women's support to Governance and National Planning (GNP). A gender-responsive approach was satifactorily used. The evaluation was conducted in line with gender equality and human rights principles as set out in the UN Evaluation Group Norms and Standards for Evaluation in the UN System. The data collection and analysis methods were comprehensive and appropriate for the triangulation, analysis and assessments of GE and HR specific results and data collected was disaggregated by sex. Information about sampling and their representation in the generalization of the findings is properly cited as limitations. Specific information about tools and processes used to identify particularly vulnerable groups and ensure their engagement in the evaluation process was not provided. The evaluation clearly reflect gender analysis. Findings, conclusions and recommendations relate and reflect gender analysis, consistent with the fact that this is a corporate thematic evaluation assessing UN Women's contributions in line with rights-based approaches and gender equity. The findings provide answers to all evaluation questions and criteria using high quality evidence systematically. Conclusions are well substantiated by the evidence and clearly based on the evaluation findings.
7.2 A gender-responsive methodology, methods and tools, and data analysis techniques are selected.	Satisfactorily integrated (2)	
7.3 The evaluation findings, conclusions and recommendation reflect a gender analysis.	Fully integrated (3)	

SECTION 8: THE REPORT PRESENTATION (weight 10%)	Rating	Good
Is the report well structured, written in accessible language and well presented?	73%	**Executive Feedback on Section 8**
8.1 Report is logically structured, well written and presented with clarity and coherence (e.g. the structure and presentation is easy to identify and navigate (for instance, with numbered sections, clear titles and subtitles; context, purpose and methodology would normally precede findings, which would normally be followed by conclusions, lessons learned and recommendations) and written in an accessible language with minimal grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors.	Mostly	The Report is well written and properly structured. It reads well and information is presented clearly and concisely. The overall length of the report could be reduced from its 108 pages to about 60 pages (max.). Most needed basic information is included in the first pages of the report, including table of contents and foreword, as well as timeframe and names of evaluators. Suggest also adding a list of tables/figures and graphs. The executive summary is complete but could also be shortened as it is about 20 pages long. A complete set of Annexes is listed, not included in the report, but available in a separate document available in the GERAAS platform. Suggest including information in the report to point the reader to the availability of such Compendium in the GERAAS platform.
8.2 **The title page and opening pages** provide key basic information on the name of evaluand, timeframe of the evaluation, date of report, location of evaluated object, names and/or organization(s) of the evaluator(s), name of organization commissioning the evaluation, table of contents -including, as	Fully	
8.3 The **Executive Summary** is a stand-alone section that includes an overview of the intervention, evaluation purpose, objectives and intended audience, evaluation methodology, key findings, conclusions and recommendations. The Executive summary should be reasonably concise.	Mostly	
8.4 **Annexes** should include, when not present in the body of the report: Terms of Reference, Evaluation matrix, list of interviewees, list of site visits, data collection instruments (such as survey or interview questionnaires), list of documentary evidence. Other appropriate annexes could include: additional details on methodology,	Fully	

Additional Information		
Identify aspects of *good practice* of the evaluation		The evaluation presents an interesting way to show the components of the Theory of Change to the evaluation questions (Figure 2 and Table 2) with underlying nature of causal connections and linkages to the evaluation questions and main assumptions which is interesting and could be used in other evaluations (pp. 42-43).

PART III: THE OVERALL RATING			
Key Guiding Question	Total weighted score %	Overall Rating	Overall Comments
Is this a credible report that addresses the evaluation purpose and objectives based on evidence, and that can therefore be used with confidence?	85.46	Very Good	This is a very good evaluation report. It is very well written and well researched, presenting clear responses to the evaluation questions based on in-depth assessments and robust methodological approach.