

UN Women GERAAS Executive Review Template

Response			
Title of the Evaluation Report	Final Evaluation of the UN Women Project “Promoting Gender Responsive Budgeting in South East Europe”		
Report sequence number	0	Date of Review	
		Year of the Evaluation Report	2013
Region	Europe and Central Asia	Country(ies)	Albania, BiH, FYR Macedonia
Executive Summary in Final Report	Yes	TORs sent with Report	Yes
OVERALL RATING		Overall Rating	Very Good
Executive Feedback on Overall Rating	This report is exemplary and a good example for others to follow. It specifically references the UN Women standards, and this attention shows through in the presence and quality of each section. Nothing is missed out, the main comments refer to refining elements in order to improve further on an already good foundation.		
PARAMETER 1: OBJECT AND CONTEXT OF THE EVALUATION		PARAMETER 1	Very Good
Executive Feedback on Parameter 2	Stakeholders are analysed and the views of marginalised women are included for one country – although the addition of a table explaining the disaggregation of social groups at the country level (i.e. potential intended beneficiaries) would have been helpful. The presentation of the programme logic is excellent.		
PARAMETER 2: PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE		PARAMETER 2	Good
Executive Feedback on Parameter 2	Everything is presented as required by the evaluation standards. A little more discussion on the issues excluded from the evaluation would have added even more value. The report relies largely on the gender and human rights dimensions of the project logical framework – and a gender sensitive approach – rather than specific evaluation or criteria for GEEW		
PARAMETER 3: METHODOLOGY		PARAMETER 3	Good
Executive Feedback on Parameter 3	The Methods are appropriate and well described. The Limitations section is excellent and correctly identifies design limitations as well as constraints. The report specifically mentions that it follows UN Women ethics standards, but it does not give much detail on how these were included. A good range of stakeholders were included in the data gathering consultations.		
PARAMETER 4: FINDINGS		PARAMETER 4	Very Good
Executive Feedback on Parameter 4	The systematic presentation of findings according to the evaluation questions, and using numbered summary statements certainly helps the readability of the report considerably. All findings are based on a good summary of the evidence and are pitched well for decision makers.		
PARAMETER 5: CONCLUSIONS AND LESSONS LEARNED		PARAMETER 5	Very Good
Executive Feedback on Parameter 5	Conclusions are well structured and follow well from the findings and lessons. Perhaps the inclusion of some examples from the evidence would have helped them to resonate even more. Lessons learned are mostly relevant and useful, although some pertain more to the project than generalizable insights (although as a regional initiative this does not matter much in practice because the project may be replicated elsewhere). The inclusion of a 'Good Practices' section is innovative and useful.		
PARAMETER 6: RECOMMENDATIONS		PARAMETER 6	Good
Executive Feedback on PARAMETER 6	Recommendations are detailed, broken down into relevant themes, and relevant to the findings and conclusions. There, however, little detail available in either the recommendations or methods section about how the recs were developed, and which stakeholders were involved.		
PARAMETER 7: GENDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS		PARAMETER 7	Good
Executive Feedback on PARAMETER 7	The report is generally human rights and gender sensitive, and is dealing with a GEEW object. There may have been some opportunities to take this further in specific sections – such as in a gender breakdown of the stakeholders and/or respondents.		
PARAMETER 8: THE REPORT STRUCTURE		PARAMETER 8	Very Good
Executive Feedback on PARAMETER 8	Structure and writing style are outstanding and this is a highly accessible report. The use of graphics also adds value. The Annexes particularly stand out in terms of aiding the reliability of the main report. The Executive summary is useful, but does not quite capture the progression from findings to conclusions as well as the main report does.		