**MONITORING, EVALUATION AND RESEARCH PLAN 2018 - 2021**

**Regional Office for the Americas and the Caribbean (ACRO)**

**Monitoring and Research Plan**

| **Activity**  | **Partners and stakeholders**  | **Planned Dates (Month and year of start and end)** | **Budget** |
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| *Source* | *Amount* |
| **MONITORING** |
| *Completion of RO Monitoring Module of Results Management System and oversight of countries’ process* | *RO & MCO/COs* | *Quarterly* | *n/a* | *n/a* |
| *Preparation and submission of RO’s annual report and oversight of annual reporting processes of countries in LAC* | *RO & MCO/COs* | *Annually* | *n/a* | *n/a* |
| *Preparation and submission of LAC’s quarterly regional report to HQ*  | *RO & MCO/COs* | *Quarterly* | *n/a* | *n/a* |
| *Review and feedback of country quarterly progress programme and operations reports* | *RO & MCO/COs* | *Quarterly* | *n/a* | *n/a* |
| *Oversight of preparation, follow-up and submission of donor progress and final programme and financial reports in LAC*  | *RO & MCO/COs* | *As required according to donor agreements and project documents* | *n/a* | *n/a* |
| *Baseline Study of the Spotlight Initiative to eliminate violence against women and girls* | *RO & MCO/COs, UN Agencies, national partners, CSO* | *2019* | *Non-core* | *26,710* |
| *Mid Term Review of Strategic Note 2018-2021* | *RO & MCO/COs* | *2020* | *Core* | *5,000* |
| **RESEARCH** |
| *Regional Study on Discriminatory Legislation* | *RO & MCO/COs, national partners, CSO,* *SEGIB* | *2017 - 2018* | *Core & non-core* | *80,000* |
| *Analysis of Discriminatory Legislation in LAC in Women Economic Empowerment (Spanish and English)* | *RO & SEGIB* | *2018* | *Core* | *28,500* |
| *Regional Strategy on Governance, Leadership and Political Participation*  | *RO & MCO/COs, national partners, CSO, UN Agencies* | *2018* | *TBC* | *TBC* |
| *Regional Strategy on Peace and Security* | *RO & MCO/COs, national partners, CSO, UN Agencies* | *2018 - 2019* | *TBC* | *TBC* |
| *Regional Strategy on UN Women's crisis response in LAC* | *RO & MCO/COs, national partners, CSO, UN Agencies* | *2018 - 2019* | *TBC* | *TBC* |
| *Knowledge products of different thematic areas (parity democracy, gender statistics, WEE, gender responsive plans and budgets, etc.)* | *RO & MCO/COs, national partners, CSO, UN Agencies* | *2018 - 2021* | *TBC* | *TBC* |
| *Review of criminal procedural law with recommendations of what legal changes are needed to implement the femicide protocol at national levels (Spotlight)* | *RO & MCO/COs, UN Agencies, national partners, CSO* | *2018 - 2020* | *Non-core* | *21,600* |
| *Review of legislation and policies related to the regulation of assets, access to social protection, custody, etc to make recommendations for changes to legislation to protect women and prevent femicide (Spotlight)* | *RO & MCO/COs, UN Agencies, national partners, CSO* | *2018 - 2020* | *Non-core* | *40,000* |
| *Systematization of the experience of adaptation of femicide protocol in 1-2 countries that adopt it (Spotlight)* | *RO & MCO/COs, UN Agencies, national partners, CSO* | *2018 - 2020* | *Non-core* | *10,000* |
| *Regional map of femicide and violence against women (Spotlight)* | *RO & MCO/COs, UN Agencies, national partners, CSO* | *2018 - 2020* | *Non-core* | *164,200* |
| *Finalization of the UNW action model in LAC and the establishment of the internal KM platform* | *RO & MCO/COs, national partners, CSO, UN Agencies* | *2018-2019* | *Core*  | *50,000* |

**Evaluation Plan**

| **Evaluation name** | **Manda tory?**(Y/N) | **UNDAF Outcome/ UN Women SP Goal, Outcome**  | **Country/ MCO/ RO AWP Output** | **Office in charge** | **Region/ country** | **Joint activity** (Y/ N, indicate partners) | **Key Stakeholders** | **Planned Dates** (start-end) | **Budget** (US$) **/ Sources of Funding** | **Status** (pending/ initiated/ ongoing/ completed) | **Remarks** |
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| ***Evaluations managed by the office*** |  |
| *Regional Evaluation on Normative Frameworks* | *Y* | *SP Goal 6 / Outcomes 6.1 and 6.2* | *RO Outputs 6.1.1, 6.1.2, 6.2.1, 6.2.2* | *ACRO* | *Americas and the Caribbean* | *N* | *RO / MCO / COs**National Women Machineries, CSO, CSAG, Regional and sub-regional intergovernmental bodies, UN agencies* | *April – October 2018* | *US 41,800 core* | *Ongoing* |  |
| *Regional Evaluation on Women Economic Empowerment*  | *Y* | *SP Outcome 3* | *Output 2.5* | *ACRO* | *Americas and the Caribbean* | *N* | *RO / MCO / COs**National governments, CSO, private sector, IOC*  | *2019* | *TBC (core)* | *Pending*  |  |
| *Mid-term Evaluation of Programme Win Win: gender equality means good business* | *Y* | *Impacts 2**Outcome 2.1* | *All under Impacts 2* | *ACRO - Brazil CO* | *Americas and the Caribbean* | *Y (ILO)* | *Private sector partners, civil society organizations* | *August 2019* | *US 70,000**Non-core funds (Brazil CO)* | *Planned* |  |
| *Mid-term Evaluation of the Spotlight Initiative to eliminate violence against women and girls* | *Y* | *SP Outcome 4* | *Output 2.6* | *ACRO* | *Americas and the Caribbean* | *Y (UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, others)* | *RO / MCO / COs**UN agencies**National Women Machineries, other national partners, CSO* | *4Q 2020* | *US 32,710 Non-core funds* | *Planned* |  |
| *Joint Final Evaluation of Programme Win Win: gender equality means good business* | *Y* | *Impacts 2**Outcome 2.1* | *All under Impacts 2* | *ACRO - Brazil CO* | *Americas and the Caribbean* | *Y (ILO)* | *Private sector partners, civil society organizations* | *June 2021*  | *US 100,000**Non-core funds (Brazil CO)* | *Planned* |  |
| *Evaluation of the ACRO Strategic Notes (2014-2017 & 2018-2021)* | *Y* | *All SP Outcomes* *(1 – 5)*  | *All SN Outcomes* *(1 – 5)* | *ACRO* | *Americas and the Caribbean* | *N* | *RO / MCO / COs**National Women Machineries, CSO, CSAG, Regional and sub-regional intergovernmental bodies, UN agencies* | *2020 - 2021* | *TBC (core)* | *Pending* |  |
| ***Evaluations in which the office participates*** |  |
| *Final evaluation of the WEE Regional programme* | *Y* | *Impact 2, Outcome 3* | *Output 2* | *El Salvador*  | *Americas and the Caribbean**Honduras, El Salvador y Guatemala*  | *Y* | *SIECA, COMMCA, Technical Secretary, BCIE, Local authorities, project counterparts, project participants and other interested parties.* | *4Q 2020*  | *60,000*  | *Pending* | *This evaluation will be managed by the El Salvador CO.*  |

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## Evaluation Justification Matrix

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| **List of selected evaluation** | **Criteria used for the selection** | **Potential evaluability** | **Intended use of evaluation findings** |
| *Regional Evaluation on Normative Frameworks* | *Relevance of the subject**Significant investment* | *High* | *To enhance UN Women’s approach to advance the adoption and implementation of GEWE Norms, Policies and Standards in the LAC Region**Strategic planning and programming, learning and accountability* |
| *Regional Evaluation on WEE or EVAW* | *Relevance of the subject**Significant investment* | *High* | *To enhance UN Women’s approach to increase women economic empowerment and economic autonomy**Strategic planning and programming, learning and accountability* |
| *Mid-term Evaluation of Programme Win Win: gender equality means good business* | *Relevance of the subject* *Demands for accountability from stakeholders**Potential for replication and scaling-up**Feasibility for implementing evaluation**Knowledge gap* | *High* | *Identify and understand: successes to date and problems that need to be addressed* *It will focus on the effectiveness, efficiency and timeliness of Programme implementation.**Generate recommendations capturing additional opportunities, as well as for corrective actions to resolve outstanding issues and improve project performance**Draw initial lessons learned about project design, implementation and management.* |
| *Mid-term Evaluation of the Spotlight Initiative to eliminate violence against women and girls* | *Relevance of the subject* *Demands for accountability from stakeholders**Potential for replication and scaling-up**Feasibility for implementing evaluation**Knowledge gap* | *High* | *Identify and understand: successes to date and problems that need to be addressed* *It will focus on the effectiveness, efficiency and timeliness of project implementation.**Generate recommendations capturing additional opportunities, as well as for corrective actions to resolve outstanding issues and improve project performance* *Draw initial lessons learned about project design, implementation and management.* |
| *Joint Final Evaluation of Programme Win Win: gender equality means good business* | *Relevance of the subject* *Demands for accountability from stakeholders**Potential for replication and scaling-up**Feasibility for implementing evaluation**Knowledge gap* | *High* | *Document a model**Support replication and scaling-up in other countries in the region**Contribute with new knowledge**The Final Evaluation will examine impact and sustainability of results, including the contribution to capacity development and the achievement of the economic empowerment of women in the framework of the Agenda 2030.*  |
| *Evaluation of the ACRO Strategic Notes (2014-2017 & 2018-2021)* | *Relevance of the subject**Significant investment* | *High* | *To support the formulation of new SN 2022-2025**Strategic planning and programming, organizational effectiveness, learning and accountability*  |