**ANNEX**. **FULLY-COSTED EVALUATION PLAN**

**Regional Programme for Africa (2022-2025)**

**Rationale:**

The Regional Bureau for Africa’s Evaluation Plan is formulated with a view to enhance transparency, learning, accountability for results within the RBA priority areas and generate lessons for improved programming. This plan also complies with Section II of UNDP evaluation policy.

As indicated in the Evaluation plan, four evaluations will be conducted for the entire programme period. It coalesces UNDP’s regional interventions under four critical priorities articulated to resonate with Agenda 2030 in this final decade of action: People, Prosperity, Planet and Peace. However, this subject to change depending on issues arising in the region and based on review of the ToC during an evaluability assessment of projects, portfolio and programme.

At the programme level, the Regional Bureau will carry out the Midterm Evaluation of the Regional Programme by June 2024, to include cross cutting themes and focus areas such as Youth Interventions. The midterm evaluation will assess the level of effectiveness in delivering the intended results in the Regional programme document (RPD), as well as the positioning of UNDP in the Region. This will also serve an accountability tool as well as a means to review progress and course correction if needed. It will also serve as an opportunity to extend dialogue with the regional commissions, African Union and partners on UNDP progress and programme direction.

A Mid-Term Portfolio evaluation of the Governance Facility in Africa will be also conducted. This facility is responsible for establishing effective, accountable, inclusive and responsive institutions, protecting and promoting human rights, gender equality, transparency, social cohesion, and enhancing the quality of governance and the rule of law are critical determinants for achieving both Agendas 2063 and 2030, enabling active citizen engagement and a robust ‘human capital’, while ensuring that ‘no one is left behind’. This is a strategic evaluation, as the new and complex regional portfolio, in terms of interventions and partners. Findings from this portfolio will also enable dialogue with various stakeholder for streamlined delivery of services for proper service delivery

At the project level, two mandatory evaluations will be conducted: Mid-term Evaluation of the Africa Borderlands Centre and Final Evaluation of the Regional Stabilization Facility. The Mid-term evaluation will assess the performance of Africa Borderlands Centre in achieving its intended results, and its contribution to outcomes and associated theories of change as designed for the African borderlands. The Final Evaluation of the Regional Stabilization Facility will draw on lessons during implementation and to engage stakeholders to either continue or scale up project interventions

Full participation will be sought from the RECs/RMs, national stakeholders and key partners contributing to the results of the development priorities stipulated in the RPD 2022 – 2025. Findings and recommendations from all evaluations will be used to enhance project, portfolio and programme design and implementation; to inform policy at the regional and national levels and ensure accountability to stakeholders. It will also be used to strengthen the quality of its partnership for resource mobilization and coordinated regional efforts in Africa

**ANNEX B**. **FULLY-COSTED EVALUATION PLAN *(for submission to the Executive Board as an annex to the RPD but not translated)***

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| **UNDAF (or equivalent)****Outcome** | **UNDP Strategic Plan Outcome** | **Evaluation Title** | **Partners (joint evaluation)** | **Evaluation commissioned by (if not UNDP)** | **Type of evaluation** | **Planned Evaluation Completion Date** | **Estimated Cost** | **Provisional Source of Funding** |
| **Outcome 1 - “People” -** African citizens (especially women and youth), in a context of reinvigorated social contracts, have a stronger voice and influence in AU and RECs/ RMs’ policymaking and implementation processes. | **SP Outcome 2**: No-one left behind, centring on equitable access to opportunities and a rights-based approach to human agency and human development | Mid-Term Portfolio evaluation – the Governance Facility in Africa.  | AU, RECs, UN, Think Thanks |  | Portfolio | May 2025 | 75,000 | M&E Budget |
| **Outcome 2-“Prosperity”** African citizens (especially women and youth) benefit from a regionally integrated, structurally transformed and inclusive economy. | **SP Outcome 1:** Structural transformation accelerated, particularly green, inclusive, and digital transitions | Mid-term evaluation - The Africa Borderlands Centre. | AU, RECs, Govt stakeholders, Donors, Think Thanks |  | Project | March 2023 | 50,000 | Project Budget |
| **Outcome 4 -**  **Peace”**African citizens (especially women and youth), supported by the AU and RECs/RMs, achieve measurable progress towards sustainable peace | **SP Outcome 3**: Resilience built to respond to systemic uncertainty and risk | Final Evaluation of the Regional Stabilization Facility. | UN, Donors, LCBC |  | Project | January 2024 | 75,000 | Project Budget |
| **Outcome 1-4** | **SP Outcome 1-3** | Midterm Evaluation of the Regional Programme, to include cross cutting themes and focus areas such as Youth Interventions.  | AU, RECs, UN |  | Programme | June 2024 | 75,000 | M&E budget |