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# EVALUATION OF DA T14 JOINT STATISTICS AND DATA PROJECT

DA T14 CONCLUDING SESSION / WORKSHOP  
DATA ETHICS, GOVERNANCE, AND QUALITY IN A CHANGING DATA ECOSYSTEM  
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EVALUATION SECTION

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# EVALUATION SCOPE, PURPOSE AND METHODOLOGY

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# QUICK FACTS AND SCOPE

Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Resilient and Agile National Statistical Systems (NSS) to Meet Post-COVID-19 Data Needs to Recover Better (2225A)</li></ul>
Implementing entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DESA/UNSD, ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, UNEP, UNODC</li></ul>
Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project budget of USD 3,000,000 (+ USD 120,000 for evaluation)</li></ul>
Time period covered by evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• From project inception to completion (1 September 2022 – 31 December 2025)</li></ul>
Unit of analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Full project including work of all implementing entities</li></ul>
Geographical coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All 50 beneficiary countries, with a focus on 5 case studies among the 16 target countries</li></ul>



# PURPOSE & MAIN USERS OF THE EVALUATION

## Evaluation purpose

- Assess the project's overall relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, sustainability, coherence and integration of GE/HR/DI;
- Final **summative evaluation** with a focus on the project's **results and achievements**;
- Identify **good practices** and **lessons learned** and formulate actionable **recommendations** for future interventions.

## Main users:

- 8 Implementing Entities;
- DA Programme Management Team;
- National Statistical Offices and other national stakeholders;
- Bilateral and multilateral partner organizations.



# UTILISATION OF THE EVALUATION

Planned  
utilisation of  
evaluation  
results

**Project Improvement:** Providing actionable recommendations for enhancing future project design and implementation;

**Accountability:** Ensuring efficient and effective use of resources, fostering transparency;

**Decision-Making:** Supporting informed decisions that enhance the resilience and agility of national statistical systems;

**Organizational Learning:** Capturing and sharing lessons learned and best practices across the UN system;

**Strategic Planning:** Contributing to the strategic planning of future projects;

**Stakeholder Engagement:** Enhancing collaboration among national, regional, and global actors.



# EVALUATION METHODOLOGY AND REQUIREMENTS

Following **UNEG** norms and standards & using **OECD-DAC** criteria for evaluations

Use of adapted **UNODC** evaluation **templates and guidelines**

**Utilization-focused and theory-based** approach

**Mixed methods** approach (desk review, surveys, KIIs, FGDs, observation etc.)

**Triangulation** of data to ensure unbiased and objective results

**Participatory** approaches to capture disability, human rights and gender quality



# EVALUATION CRITERIA

OECD-DAC Criteria	Purpose
Relevance	Is the intervention doing the right thing?
Coherence	How well does the intervention fit?
Efficiency	How well are resources being used?
Effectiveness	Is the intervention achieving its objectives?
Sustainability	Will the benefits last?
Human rights, gender equality, disability inclusion and leaving no one behind	Has the intervention been inclusive and human rights based?



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# ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

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# ABOUT UNODC'S INDEPENDENT EVALUATION SECTION (IES)



Established in 2010 as independent function – reporting to ED and Member States



3 pillars of work: evaluation management, capacity development, knowledge management



Management of numerous joint evaluations



Partnerships & collaboration – member of DA evaluation focal point network



Innovative evaluation management application *Unite Evaluations*



# ROLES OF EVALUATION MANAGER & EVALUATION TEAM

## IES Evaluation Manager

- Managing the full process
- Quality assuring all deliverables
- Liaising with Project Management and other stakeholders
- Recruiting and overseeing the work of the independent evaluators
- Coordinating review and approval of deliverables with EAC & ERG
- Adapt evaluation templates and guidance as needed

## Independent Evaluation Team

- Developing an inception report
- Conducting data collection and analysis based on the methodology outlined in the finalized inception report
- Drafting and finalizing the evaluation report by incorporating EAC, ERG and other stakeholders' comments in the draft
- Ensure confidentiality of sources and data collected



# ROLES OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS

## Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC)

- Comprises representatives from the evaluation functions of the implementing entities and DA
- Supports identification and selection of evaluation team
- Provides guidance and advice on the draft inception and evaluation reports

## Evaluation Reference Group (ERG)

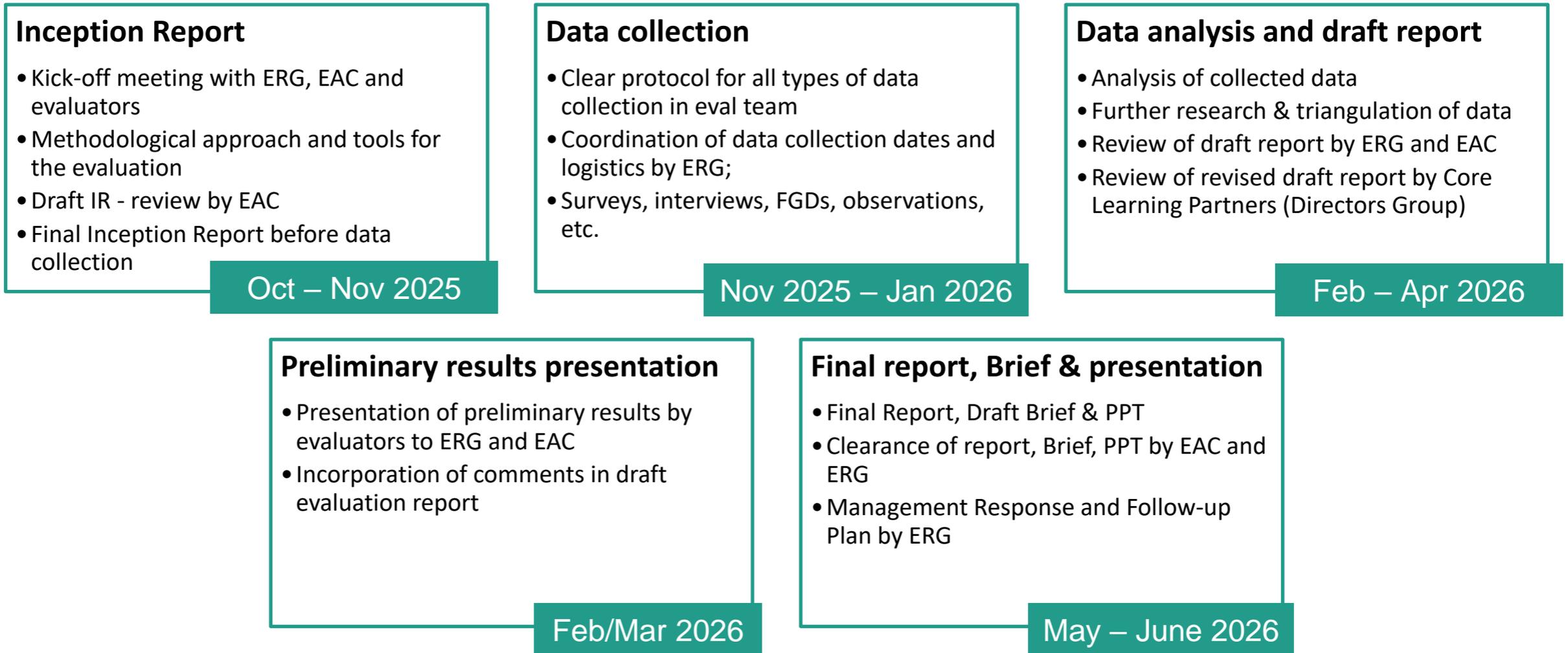
- Comprises the project coordinator and members of the project coordination group
- Offers technical support and facilitates the engagement of project beneficiaries and other stakeholders
- Provides access to documents and offers feedback on draft reports

## Key project stakeholders

- Comprise the project team in implementing entities, NSOs and other national recipient entities, and partner organizations
- Contribute to data collection by:
  - Completing survey questionnaires
  - Participating in interviews or FGDs



# PROCESS & TENTATIVE TIMELINE



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# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS



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Thank you very much for your attention!



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