

Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board

Template for delegations commenting on the draft country programme documents

2022 second regular session

Draft country programme document commenting period (except for the draft CPD for Gabon): 14 June to 5 July 2022 [18:00 EST]

Draft country programme document for Gabon commenting period: 17 June to 11 July 2022 [18:00 EST]

Delegations are kindly invited to use this template to share their comments on the draft country programme document being presented to the Executive Board during the forthcoming session.

Delegation name: *Finland*

Draft country programme document: *Egypt*

In accordance with Executive Board decision [2014/1](#), draft country programme documents are considered and approved in one session, on a no-objection basis. All comments received by the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board before the deadline stated above will be posted on the Executive Board website, and considered by the requesting country, in close consultation with UNICEF.

	Delegation's comments	Response(s)
General comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ In general, we appreciate that the draft CPD:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Puts the most vulnerable children at the centre;• Reflects the strong engagement of the public sector/local ministries;• Reflects stronger engagement of the private sector e.g. through Generation Unlimited.➤ However, the draft CPD still lacks reflections on cooperation with other UN agencies.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Well noted, with appreciation for the comment. ➤ Given the limited number of words in the CPD, it has not been possible to make reference to the collaboration with UN agencies under each one of the programmes. In addition to consultations with other UN agencies undertaken within the UNSDCF development, the CPD results matrix has highlighted collaboration with the UN agencies. The different outcome Programme rationales provide descriptions of the joint work with other

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ We appreciate that children and young people are seen as agents of change in climate change action, however, the draft CPD lacks reflections on more concrete actions on supporting this role. ➤ We would encourage reflecting the impacts of climate change better throughout the draft CPD and, in particular, the impacts of climate change on the rights of children, school dropouts (especially girls), access to water, food production. ➤ In addition, it would be important to reflect the potential of promoting climate change adaptation and mitigation through education. 	<p>agencies in the context of the UNSDCF. More specific collaboration will be defined within the UNCT workplanning process and the elaboration of each agency’s workplans with the Government. Further elaboration is constrained by the word limit on CPDs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ UNICEF Egypt is currently laying the ground for more specific engagement on climate change with various Government partners. It has recently signed a workplan with the Ministry of Environment to implement various activities in relation to climate change. For instance, a country-wide training for teachers on climate change will be launched in the second week of August 2022. In addition, a children and climate landscape analysis will soon be completed and will serve as basis to further articulate specific contributions along UNICEF mandate and comparative advantage building upon contributions to, and relevant outcomes of, the COP27 to be held in Cairo.
<p>Comments on specific aspects of the draft country programme document</p>		