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Annual report on evaluation (UNFPA)

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the annual report of the Evaluation Office (DP/FPA/2015/6) and the evaluation workplan for 2015, including amendments to the transitional biennial budgeted evaluation plan, 2014-2015, as well as the management response;
2. *Reaffirms* the central role played by the evaluation function in UNFPA, the relevance of the principles set out in the revised evaluation policy (DP/FPA/2013/5) and the importance of their implementation within the organization;
3. *Encourages* UNFPA to take action to further strengthen the evaluation function at UNFPA by implementing the recommendations presented in table 3 of the evaluation report;
4. *Takes note* of the challenges in the field of decentralized evaluations, and *stresses* the need to continue to strengthen capacity for decentralized monitoring and evaluation;
5. *Reiterates* the importance of adequate resource allocation, including from other resources for non-core funded programmes, to support a strong, independent evaluation function, and *encourages* UNFPA to ensure that the level of human and financial resources is commensurate with the appropriate level of evaluation coverage and with the necessary alignment with the UNFPA strategic plan, 2014-2017, and its business model;
6. *Welcomes* the initiatives of the Evaluation Office to disseminate evaluation findings for institutional and programmatic strengthening;
7. *Requests* the Director of the Evaluation Office to report in 2016 on progress in addressing key issues and challenges in evaluation in the Director's annual report to the Executive Board.

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