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The 2022-2023 biennial workplan (see document [EB150/35](#)) was developed in consultation with senior WHO colleagues across the Organization, reviewed by the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee in October 2021, and approved after review by the 150th session of the Executive Board. It includes corporate/centralized evaluations to be managed, commissioned or conducted by the Evaluation Office (programmatic, thematic and office-specific evaluations).

Roll-over corporate evaluations (that commenced in 2021)

- mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the strategic action plan on polio transition;
- corporate evaluation of WHO's results-based management framework; and
- country programme evaluations.¹

Carry-over corporate evaluations (from 2020-2021):

- evaluation of WHO's normative functions at country level;
- formative evaluation of the implementation of the Research and Development Blueprint for Action to Prevent Epidemics and its plan of action;
- evaluation of the work of two departments of the Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean: Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, and Science and Information; and
- evaluation of the utilization of Special Service Agreements.

New corporate evaluations:

- preliminary evaluation of the Special Programme on Primary Health Care (to be conducted mid-2022);

¹ These evaluations were postponed due to interruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, country programme evaluations are planned in Bangladesh, China, Jordan, Mongolia, Morocco, Nigeria, Sri Lanka, the Syrian Arab Republic and Timor-Leste, with others to be defined.

- evaluation of World Health Days;
- formative evaluation of the implementation of the WHO policy on disability (to be conducted in 2023);
- mid-term evaluation of the global strategy to Eliminate Yellow fever Epidemics 2017-2026;
- evaluation of the contribution of data and delivery to the implementation and impact of the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023 and WHO transformation;
- evaluation of WHO’s delegation of authority and online workflow processes and systems;
- evaluation of the WHO Tuberculosis Programme;
- joint evaluation of the Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All (to be conducted in 2023);
- Inter-Agency Humanitarian Evaluations (IAHE) of Grade 3 emergencies; and
- Evaluation of the functional reviews of WHO country offices in the African Region (to be conducted in 2023).

The workplan also proposes decentralized evaluations to be managed, commissioned or conducted outside the Evaluation Office, i.e. initiated by headquarters divisions, regional offices or country offices, of which six are currently planned. These mainly comprise programmatic and thematic evaluations for which the

Evaluation Office is available to provide quality assurance and technical backstopping (including access to a pre-qualified global roster of external evaluators).

In the table below, evaluations are categorized against certain types reflecting either: a) specific programmes; b) cross-cutting themes or relevance to the core functions and strategies of WHO; or c) office-specific evaluations. Evaluations also respond to certain rationale: a) a “requirement” as requested in a WHO governing body document, WHO strategy or specific agreement with stakeholders, partners or donors; b) “significance” of the issue, i.e. having strategic, policy or operational implications; or c) “utility” of the evaluation for WHO’s organizational learning and improvement of its performance.

Organization-wide evaluation workplan for 2022-2023²

Evaluation type	Area of evaluation	Justification
Corporate/centralized evaluations		
Programmatic	Mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the strategic action plan on polio transition (roll-over from 2021)	Requirement/utility
Thematic	Corporate evaluation of WHO's results-based management framework (roll-over from 2021)	Significance/utility

² Member State suggestions and recommendations on the evaluation workplan were provided at the thirty-fifth meeting of the Programme Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board (see document [EB150/5](#)) and at the 150th session of the Executive Board (see [WHO | Official records](#)), including for evaluations related to the Thirteenth General Programme of Work (GPW13). Due consideration will be given to a suggestion to conduct an additional mid-term evaluation of GPW13 to identify low-risk, high-yield opportunities as well as areas requiring additional investments towards achievement of the triple billion targets, and to suggestions for elaborating Terms of Reference for the planned evaluation of the contribution of data and delivery to the implementation and impact of the GPW13 and WHO transformation. Further development and implementation of the workplan will consider how outcomes of several evaluations will, together, provide insights and lessons of pertinence for the development of the Fourteenth General Programme of Work.

Evaluation type	Area of evaluation	Justification
Office-specific	Country programme evaluations (roll-over from 2021)	Utility
Thematic	Evaluation of WHO's normative functions at country level	Utility
Programmatic	Formative evaluation of the implementation of the Research and Development Blueprint for Action to Prevent Epidemics and its plan of action	Utility
Programmatic	Evaluation of the work of two departments of the Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean: Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, and Science and Information	Utility
Thematic	Evaluation of the utilization of Special Service Agreements	Utility

Evaluation type	Area of evaluation	Justification
Programmatic	Preliminary evaluation of the Special Programme on Primary Health Care (to be conducted mid-2022)	Significance/utility
Thematic	Evaluation of World Health Days	Requirement
Thematic	Formative evaluation of the implementation of the <i>WHO policy on disability</i> (to be conducted in 2023)	Requirement
Programmatic	Mid-term evaluation of the global strategy to Eliminate Yellow fever Epidemics 2017-2026	Requirement
Programmatic	Evaluation of the contribution of data and delivery to the implementation and impact of the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019-2023 and WHO transformation	Utility
Thematic	Evaluation of WHO's delegation of authority and online workflow processes and systems	Utility

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Programmatic	Evaluation of the WHO Tuberculosis Programme	Significance/utility
Thematic	Joint evaluation of the Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All (to be conducted in 2023)	Requirement
Thematic	Inter-Agency Humanitarian Evaluations (IAHE) of Grade 3 emergencies	Significance/utility
Thematic	Evaluation of the functional reviews of WHO country offices in the African Region (to be conducted in 2023)	Utility
Decentralized evaluations		

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Programmatic	Evaluation of the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) Framework Partnership Contribution (PC) Preparedness High-level Implementation Plan II 2018-2023	Requirement
Thematic	Evaluation of the progress on the Decade of health workforce strengthening in the South-East Asia Region, 2015-2024	Significance/utility
Programmatic	Evaluation of the adoption of people-centred noncommunicable disease service delivery within primary health care in countries of the South-East Asia Region	Significance/utility
Programmatic	Evaluation of the Global Health Cluster	Significance/utility

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Programmatic	Evaluation of the emergency and review committees under the International Health Regulations (2005)	Utility
Programmatic	Evaluation of the health and security interface	Utility