YOUTH2030
UN ENTITY SNAPSHOT SERIES

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What is the Youth2030 UN Entity Snapshot?

In 2022, for the first time, UN entities self-reported on their progress on Youth2030 against 18 key performance indicators (KPIs) as set out in the Youth2030 Scorecard for UN Entities ↗

| **How to read the Youth2030 UN Entity Snapshot** | The snapshot includes • Entity's mandate, geographical presence and priority areas on Youth2030 • Summarizes the entity's self-reported progress for 2021 | The entity's work ☐ **FOR** youth ☐ **WITH** youth | 18 KPIs, inclusive of 38 scores and 7 non-rated questions (total 45) ☑ **18 required** ☑ 27 optional (if relevant to the mandate and geographical presence/support of the entity) | • 38 performance scores: 🟢 At milestone 🟡 Moving forward 🔴 Getting ready ⚪ Not applicable • Qualitative information • 7 non-rated questions • Examples/information |

38 scores and 7 non-rated questions provide answers to **3 key themes** organized under **10 areas of action**

Distribution of KPIs across areas of action

Themes	Areas of action	KPIs FOR youth	KPIs WITH youth
How is the entity advancing global commitments FOR youth and delivering them WITH youth?	Data, evidence, standards	☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑	
	Support to Governments	☑ ☑	
	Programmes, projects, partnerships	☑ ☑ ☑	☑ ☑
	Knowledge and capacity	☑ ☑ ☑ ☑	
	Advocacy	☑ ☑ ☑	
How does the entity's strategic planning process support work FOR and WITH youth?	Strategic planning	☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑	☑
	Funding and transparency	☑ ☑ ☑ ☑	
How is the entity organized to deliver coherently FOR and WITH youth?	Coordination	☑ ☑ ☑ ☑	
	Internal capacities	☑ ☑ ☑	☑ ☑
	Youth workforce and internships	☑ ☑	

Overview of the entity

Mandate
DCO serves as the secretariat of the UN Sustainable Development Group (UNSDG) at the regional and global level, providing substantive guidance and support to resident coordinators and UN country teams.

The entity works in the following fields ✓

✓ Support sustainable development and climate change	Protect and promote human rights	Maintain peace and security	Deliver humanitarian aid	Uphold international law

The entity works in the following geographical regions ✓

✓ Global	✓ Regional	✓ Country

The entity carries out the following actions/functions on youth ✓

✓ Data and evidence	Assistance/advisory services	Financing	Advocacy	Operational and management support
✓ Setting standards	Programmes and projects	✓ Coordination	Communications, outreach, visibility	Oversight
Capacity-building	Partnerships	Other (specify)		

Youth2030 priority areas in line with the entity's mandate ✓

Priority area 1
Youth engagement, participation and advocacy

✓ Partner with youth-led and youth-serving organizations[a]	Strengthen youth engagement mechanisms in UN entities	Strengthen meaningful youth engagement in intergovernmental/multilateral forums	Leverage technology and digital solutions for large-scale outreach to young people	Amplify voices of young people and showcase their contributions

✓ **Priority area 2** Informed and healthy foundations	✓ **Priority area 3** Economic empowerment through decent work	✓ **Priority area 4** Youth and human rights	✓ **Priority area 5** Peacebuilding and resilience-building

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Performance of the entity

How to read the KPIs: ⦿ Required ⊘ Optional ☐ FOR youth ☐ WITH youth Scores: 🟢 At milestone 🟡 Moving forward 🔴 Getting ready ⚪ Not applicable

KPIs (for detailed KPI scoring criteria, see the Youth2030 Scorecard for UN Entities) ↗ For further details on the entity's reporting, see Youth2030: UN Action Supplement 2022 ↗

Short description of KPI	Questions	KPI No.	⦿/⊘	2021 Response	2021 Rating	2022 Response	2022 Rating	2023 Response	2023 Rating	2024 Response	2024 Rating
1. How is the entity advancing global commitments FOR youth and delivering them WITH youth?											
A. Data, evidence, standards											
Data on youth	Does the entity maintain **databases** on youth?	5.1	⊘	n/a	-						
	Does the entity spearhead development of **new indicators** on youth?	5.2	⊘	n/a	-						
	Did the entity make **new data/data products** on youth available in the year?	5.3	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Does the entity harness **big-data sources** for insights on youth issues?	5.4	⊘	n/a	⚪						
Evidence on youth	Did the entity make **new evidence** on Youth2030 priority areas available in the year?	6.1	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity publish **best practices/lessons** learned documentation on youth in the year?	6.2	⊘	n/a	-						
	Did the entity publish **flagship/periodic reports** on youth in the year?	6.3	⊘	n/a	-						
	Did the entity complete **evaluations** on youth in the year?	6.4	⦿	No	🔴						
Set standards	Did the entity publish **new guidance** and/or **tools** on Youth2030 priority areas in the year?	7	⊘	n/a	⚪						
B. Support to Governments											
Strengthen national policies	Did the entity strengthen **national policies on youth/mainstream youth issues** in the year?	9	⊘	n/a	⚪						
Leave No Youth Behind	Did the entity strengthen **capacities of Governments** to design and deliver **Leave No Youth Behind** strategies in the year?	10	⊘	n/a	⚪						
C. Programmes, projects, partnerships											
Joint programmes and multistakeholder initiatives	Did the entity support **joint programmes and/or multistakeholder initiatives** on youth in the year?	11	⊘	n/a	⚪						
Partnerships and investments for innovation	Did the entity establish **partnerships for innovations** on youth in the year?	12.1	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity **directly fund youth-led organizations**ᵃ to undertake projects in the year?	12.2	⊘	n/a	⚪						
D. Knowledge and capacity											
Build capacity of external stakeholders	Does the entity maintain **knowledge portal(s)** with information relevant to youth?	8.1	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity invest in **capacity-building of external stakeholders** on youth in the year?	8.2	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Does the entity support/host/partner with any **open-source e-learning platforms** for online learning?	8.3	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity **facilitate knowledge exchange(s)** on youth issues in the year?	8.4	⊘	n/a	⚪						
E. Advocacy											
Communication and advocacy	Did the entity support **advocacy events** on youth in intergovernmental forums/summits/conferences?	13.1	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity support commemoration of **international day events** relevant to youth in the year?	13.2	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity support/activate **campaigns** on Youth2030 priority areas in the year?	13.3	⊘	n/a	⚪						
Meaningful youth engagement in support to Governments	Were **youth meaningfully engaged** in entity support to **Governments/intergovernmental processes**?	18.4	⊘	n/a	⚪						
Meaningful youth engagement in programmes, projects, campaigns	Were **youth meaningfully engaged** in UN-led programmes, projects and campaigns?	18.5	⊘	n/a	⚪						
2. How does the entity's strategic planning process support work FOR and WITH youth?											
A. Strategic planning											
Results for youth in strategic plans	Does the entity have **guiding instruments** (strategic plan/equivalent) for its work on youth?	1.1	⦿	Yes	◁						
	Does the **situational analysis** in the entity's strategic plan include **insights on youth issues**?	1.2	⦿	No	🔴						
	Does the **strategic plan** of the entity include **results FOR youth**?	1.3	⦿	Yes	🟡						
Alignment of youth work in UN entities to Youth2030	Are the entity's **programmes on youth aligned** to Youth2030 priority areas?	2.1	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Does the **human resources plan** include work on **strengthening internships** and increasing **youth workforce**?	2.2	⦿	Yes	🟢						
	Does the entity's **communication and advocacy strategy** or plan include youth?	2.3	⊘	n/a	⚪						
B. Funding and transparency											
Funding for youth	Does the entity have a **marker/tagging system** to track resources on youth?	3.1	⦿	No	🔴						
	Is information available on the proportion of the entity's **allocated funding for youth-related activities** that was **spent** in the year?	3.2.1	⦿	No	🔴						
	Is information available on the proportion of the entity's **total expenditure spent on youth-related activities** in the year?	3.2.2	⦿	No	-						
Transparency	Did the annual report of the entity include **results achieved/funds utilized** on youth in the year?	4	⦿	Yes	🟡						
Meaningful youth engagement in entity processes	Were youth meaningfully engaged in **entity processes**, including in strategic planning processes?	18.3	⦿	No	🔴						
3. How is the UN entity organized to deliver coherently FOR and WITH youth?											
A. Coordination											
Youth coordination mechanisms/architecture	Was the entity part of **inter-agency coordination** mechanisms on youth at the **global** level in the year?	14.1.1	⦿	Yes	🟡						
	Was the entity part of **issue-based coalitions** on youth at the **regional** level in the year?	14.1.2	⊘ᵇ	n/a	⚪						
	Was the entity part of **coordination** mechanisms on youth at the **country** level in the year?	14.1.3	⊘	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity establish other **inter-agency joint frameworks** on/relevant to youth in the year?	14.2	⦿	No	-						
B. Internal capacities											
Internal capacities	Did the entity have **personnel in place to deliver on the youth agenda** in the year?	15.1	⦿	Yes	🟡						
	Does the entity have an **internal coordination** mechanism **for its personnel** working on youth?	15.2	⊘ᶜ	n/a	⚪						
	Did the entity invest in strengthening its **organizational capacity** on youth in the year?	15.3	⦿	No	🔴						
C. Youth workforce and internships											
Youth workforce	Does the entity undertake **data-driven actions** to increase **youth in its workforce** and track progress?	16	⦿	Yes	🟡						
Fair and quality internships	Does the entity undertake **data-driven actions** to improve **internships** and track progress?	17	⦿	Yes	🟡						
Policies, processes and platforms for meaningful youth engagement	Does the entity have in place **policies, processes and platforms for meaningful youth engagement**?	18.1	⦿	Yes	🟡						
	Did the entity engage **diverse youth** in the year?	18.2	⦿	Yes	🟡						

ᵃ For details, refer to the Youth2030 Scorecard for UN entities. ↗
ᵇ Required for entities reporting at any level (global, regional OR country).
ᶜ Required for entities with two or more offices in different locations.