**COMMENTS ON THE UNDP DRAFT COUNTRY PROGRAMME DOCUMENT FOR ESWATINI (2021-2025)**

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| **Comments by Germany** | **Change to the CPD** | **Response by the UNDP Country Office** |
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| * Congratulation to the in in-depth needs analysis of Eswatini | - | Well received |
| * Were the programme priorities of UNDP based on an analysis of other donors’ portfolios? |  | During the development of the theory of change for the UNSDCF (from which the CPD is directly derived), a scan of priorities and potentials of donor partnerships was undertaken. This overall theory of change influences the programmatic choices that UNDP makes.  Eswatini has limited donor presence – the US and the EU are represented, apart from consulates of Qatar and Taiwan. Most donors are based in South Africa, and partnerships with them are sought on the basis of shared priorities based on their overall development agenda for Africa. During the CPD design phase, there were consultations with the government about donor partnerships of UNDP. |
| * The interventions are very well meeting the needs of the country. Has a concentration of interventions been considered to have more impact regarding the limited financial resources of 25 Mio. $? |  | Interventions selected for the CPD are fully aligned with the national goals and the UNSDCF, and in addition, meet the criteria of both effectiveness and efficiency. This ensures that UNDP contributions to the overall national goals are leveraged for maximum impact.  The financial envelope of this CPD is almost the same as the previous cycle. Based on learnings and recommendations of the independent evaluation of the last country programme, the choice of interventions and change pathways have taken into account the comparative advantages of UNDP and its integrator role in order to be a force multiplier towards achieving overall national goals |

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