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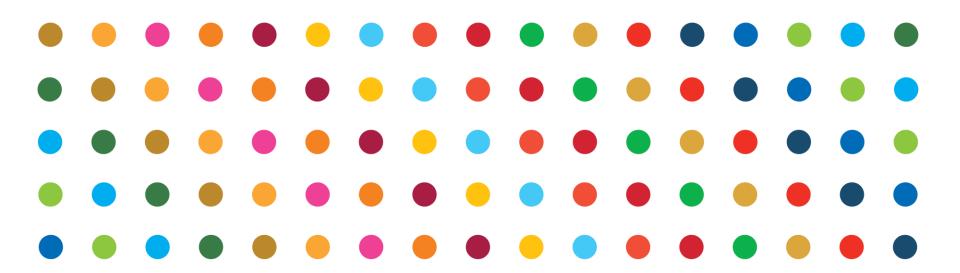
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## **Joint Steering Committee**

2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, 18 March 2022

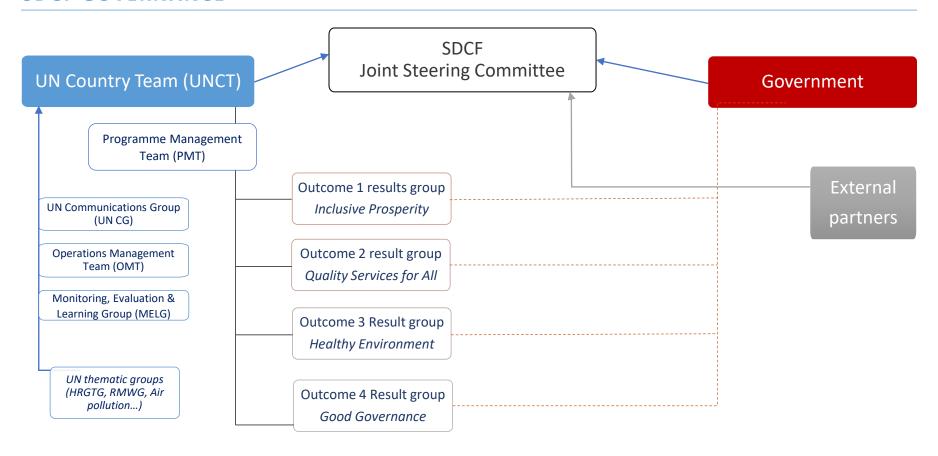




#### JOINT STEERING COMMITTEE - KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Review and endorse the planned annual UN results by considering the evolving country context (annually).
- Direct SDCF adjustments through a formal revision and/or through annual results planned for the following year (annually).
- Review UN mid-year progress, challenges, opportunities and recommend measures for strengthening continued UN relevance and effectiveness in support of national priorities (biannually).
- Facilitate resolution of any external challenges that the UN may face in executing the SDCF (ongoing).
- Review UN joint resources mobilization strategies and recommend and support opportunities for SDCF funding and leveraging financing for 2030 Agenda (annually).
- Review and endorse the annual UN Country Results Report (annually).
- Assume the role of or appoint the Evaluation Steering Committee for the terminal SDCF evaluation (in 2024).
- Review and endorse the roadmap for the following SDCF cycle (in 2024).

#### **SDCF GOVERNANCE**



#### **UN CONFIGURATION**

18 UN entities
signatories
14 with physical presence
4 remote
<b>Changes</b> (vs. 2016-2020 PSD)
UN-Habitat new;
<b>UNODC</b> and <b>UNOPS</b>
joined mid-term during
last period;
IAEA, ITU not signatory,
but participating;
UNDESA as well

	Acronym	Full UN entity name	Physical presence	Resident status
1	FAO	United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization	Yes	No
2	ILO	International Labour Organization	Yes	Yes
3	IOM	International Organization for Migration	Yes	Yes
4	OHCHR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights	Yes	No
5	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme	Yes	Yes
6	UNDRR	United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction	No	No
7	UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe	No	No
8	UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme	Yes	No
9	UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	No	No
10	UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund	Yes	Yes
11	UN HABITAT	United Nations Human Settlements Programme	No	No
12	UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Yes	Yes
13	UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund	Yes	Yes
14	UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization	Yes	No
15	UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime	Yes	Yes
16	UNOPS	United Nations Office for Project Services	Yes	Yes
17	UN WOMEN	United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women	Yes	Yes
18	WHO	World Health Organization	Yes	Yes

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#### MEETING AGENDA

10:00 - 10:10 Introductory remarks by the Joint Steering Committee co-chairs Mr Bujar Osmani, Minister of Foreign Affairs Ms Rossana Dudziak, United Nations Resident Coordinator **Presentations** 10:10 - 10:40 2021 Results and 2022 Joint Workplan - Outcomes 1, 2, 3 and 4 - UN ISC members **UN Resource Mobilization and Partnership Strategy** - UNRC

Discussion 10:40 - 11:00

**Endorsement of documents and closing remarks** 11:10 - 11:15

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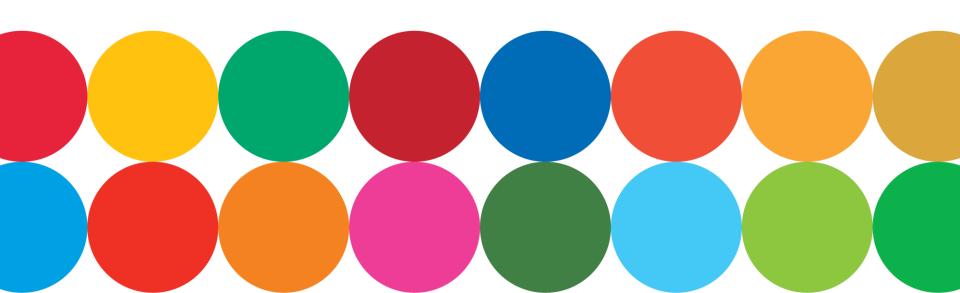
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## **Introductory remarks**

by the Joint Steering Committee co-chairs







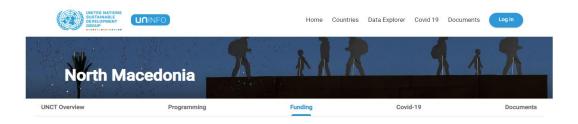
#### Strategic priority Outcomes by 2025

1. Sustained and inclusive economic and social

development

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- 3. Healthy Environment People in North Macedonia benefit from ambitious climate action, sustainably managed natural resources and well-preserved biodiversity through good environmental governance and disaster resilient communities
- **3.** Transparent and accountable democratic governance
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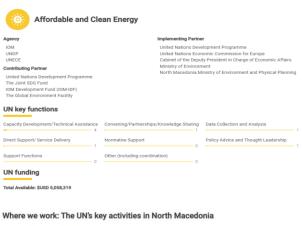
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#### Linking Investments, Partners and the Sustainable Development Goals in North Macedonia

This graphic shows how investments are contributing to the work of different agencies and partners to advance the Sustainable Development Goals. The width of the lines represents the relative amount of resources being contributed. You can play with the filters to see how investments are targeted to different geographic areas, Sustainable Development Goals, UN agencies and national implementing partners.





The UN is implementing 185 Key Activities across North Macedonia

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# 2021 Results & 2022 Joint Workplans





Government of the Republic of North Macedonia





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- 1.1: Sustainable enterprises created as generators of employment through strengthened value chains and increased capacities to adopt new business models
- 1.2: Women and vulnerable/excluded persons benefit from supportive environment through tailored employment measures and a more dynamic and inclusive skilling system that responds to labour market needs for all people
- 1.3: Enhanced and gender-responsive policy and regulatory measures that foster entrepreneurship and financing for inclusive and green growth in line with EU standards
- 1.4: Improved quality of employment through reduced under-employment, informality and adequate protection at work in compliance with international labour standards
- 1.5: Policies and capacities strengthened for sustainable and competitive rural economy aligned with EU, with focus on small farms and women farmers

#### **OUTCOME 1 INCLUSIVE PROSPERITY OVERVIEW**

#### **UN** entities

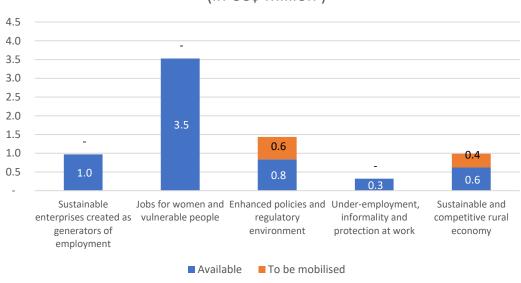
FAO, ILO, UNDP, UN Women, UNFPA, UNESCO, UNOPS, UNECE, IOM, UNHCR

#### **National partners**

Ministry of Labour and Social Policy, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy, Ministry of Education and Science, Employment Services Agency; Fund for Innovation and Technological Development; Economic and Social Council; Trade Unions; Employers Organizations; Chambers of Economics and Commerce; Local Economic and Social Councils; Farmers Associations, Producer organizations.

## Estimated 2022 budget \$7.3 million

# Funding Situation 2022 (in US\$ million )



#### **Companies that create jobs**

- Over 1000 jobs created 653 for women, 391 for youth, 52 for Roma and 42 for PwD
- 72 startups created, 20 from persons with disability
- 6822 employed through the Youth guarantee and Local Employment Partnerships

#### **Companies prepared for the future**

- Digital services provided to 500 companies
- Employers associations platforms offer digital services to their members
- Value chains were strengthened by introducing innovations in agricultural operations
- Creative industries promoted as economic opportunities for the future.

#### People prepared for the future

- 6 new occupational standards in RES, textile and construction industries created
- 306 reskilled through the Future Skills Centre
- 300 VET students trained using Virtual Reality



#### **Access to Labour Market for all**

- 900 finished at least one skill learning programme, over 70% of them women including prison inmates
- 474 benefitted from employment activation and support service, of which 206 Roma and 150 PwDs
- 8560 people engaged in community works programmes

#### Legal solutions through social dialogue

- Policies and laws based on evidence and comparative experience
- Economic and Social Council positioned the main forum for consultations
- Gender aspects mainstreamed in agricultural and rural policies
- Modern and digitalized services from institutions (e.g. ESA. MAFWE)

#### Fair working conditions

- online tool to report breach of labour rights resulted in legal protection for more than 3,000 workers.

#### **Rural economy**

- 2,455 small farmers/landowners included in wider intervention / focus on women farmers
- around 1,078 hectares of agricultural land consolidated



#### 1. Productive and competitive enterprises as creators of decent jobs

- 19 new companies created, or formalized / 1232 jobs created
- Transfer of knowledge and Digital tools for companies
- Know-how for modernizing the cattle value chains
- New business opportunities in culture and creativity industries

#### 2. Tailored activation and employment support measures

- 456 persons benefit from activation and employment support measures
- 200 persons benefit from skill training
- 1342 persons get access to social services
- 3300 persons employed through the Youth Guarantee support
- Life Long learning system development

# 3. Policy and regulatory measures harmonized with the International labour standards and EU acquis

- Support drafting of gender-responsive legislation, policies and measures to:
  - support employment, productivity, entrepreneurship, innovation and enterprise sustainability;
  - ensure equal opportunities and treatment in the "world of work";
  - improve National Food Security and increase resilience of the national food system;

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- o enhance agriculture and rural development.
- Support Employment Service Agency

#### 4. Quality of employment improved

- Modernization of the labour inspection
- Address informalities in the HORECA sector and formalization of 300 jobs
- Ratification of new International Labour Standards

#### 5. Sustainable and competitive rural economy

- 2555 farmers benefit from policies and measures to increase competitiveness
- 3000 Ha of land consolidated











#### JWP OUTCOME 2 QUALITY SERVICES FOR ALL OUTPUTS



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#### Outcome 2 outputs by 2025

- 2.1 **Health system** is strengthened to provide universal access to affordable high quality and people-centred services to promote healthy lifestyles and address population-specific health needs and risk factors, including in emergencies.
- 2.2 Quality and affordable **education** is provided in traumainformed, gender-responsive and inclusive learning environments to children and young people in the country to raise learning outcomes, enable their socio-emotional development and empower them with skills for transition to the labor market.
- 2.3: **Social protection system** is resilient to external shocks and strengthened to deliver progressively improved services to all persons in need, especially to those left behind.
- 2.4: Improved multisectoral response to prevent and address all forms of violence based on victims/survivor-centred approach, including harmful practices and discriminatory gender norms and stereotypes.

#### **OUTCOME 2 QUALITY SERVICES FOR ALL OVERVIEW**

#### **UN entities**

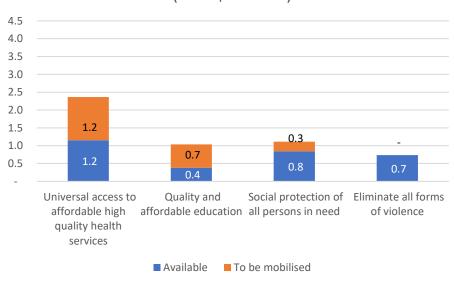
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#### **National and other partners**

Government (Ministries, Parliament, Judiciary, President's Office), civil society (professional associations, people, academia), private sector, developmental partners (donors)

## Estimated 2022 budget \$5.2 M

## Funding Situation 2022 (in US\$ million )



#### 2.1 Health

- Progress in the implementation of the health system reform with human rights principles at the core primary health care, maternal and child health, transforming nursing into a valued health workforce, improving availability of medicines, bringing services closer to people and preparing the health system for large scale immunizations.
- Ensured maintaining essential health services during COVID-19 crisis and introduction of mobile gynecological services in hard-toreach areas - procurement of medical and PPE, services for cervical cancer prevention, family planning;
- Digitalization in the health system and building capacities of the health care workforce on COVID-19 response;
- **Support to the National COVID-19 Vaccines Deployment Plan -** almost 50% of the target vaccination rate, 1.5 million doses administered in less than a year (28% of COVID-19 through the UN-managed procurement facility COVAX).

#### 2.2 Education

- Successful joined advocacy for the reopening of all schools country with longest school closures worldwide.
- **The Concept for Primary Education** with foundational changes climate change, gender-transformative and inclusive content and approaches; all 3000 teachers trained.
- The **Eduino platform** single largest repository of officially verified educational resources.
- Completed national roll-out of the innovative **Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) programme** in public preschools, training almost all active pre-school teachers.
- Inclusive education transformation of specialized schools into resource centers;
- New partnership on comprehensive sexuality education; ck to add text

#### 2.3 Social and child protection

- Improvements to functional assessment systems for children and youth with disabilities Skopje, Pelagonija, South-East and Polog regions.
- Law amendments were drafted on social and child protection, health insurance and care, and primary education, paving that way for the creation of single entry-points for children with disabilities to access support services.
- Central and local authorities empowered for inclusion and integration of persons under international protection migrants, asylum seekers and refugees.
- Mechanism for refugee integration was set up and the key national strategic documents were updated.
- Systematic efforts to resolve civil registration and elimination of cases at risk of statelessness.

#### 2.4 All forms of violence

- Support for the operationalization of the new Law on Prevention and Protection from Violence against Women and Domestic Violence aligned with the Istanbul Convention initiated.
- Amendment to the Criminal Code that will define gender-based violence against women as criminal act was supported.
- Capacity building of various service providers conducted.
- Direct support to women victims of violence continued in cooperation with civil society.

#### JWP OUTCOME 2 QUALITY SERVICES FOR ALL OUTPUT INTERVENTIONS in 2022

- Primary Health Care reform (regulatory framework and capacity development of health workforce at PHC level)
- National mental health strategy. in PHC & impact of COVID-19 on mental health
- Introducing health promoting schools –Global Standards within the Health Promoting School Programme, nutrition in kindergartens, Comprehensive Sexuality Education
- Strengthen NCDs surveillance and monitoring nutrition, obesity (childhood)
- Sexual and reproductive health
  - ✓ Policy on SRH Action Plan development
  - ✓ Quality of care for maternal and newborn health – perinatal care. maternal mortalities and morbidities review
  - ✓ Sexual and reproductive health services for those most left behind in remote areas - mobile gynecological services
  - Cervical Cancer prevention WHO 2020 Strategy on Eliminating Cervical Cancer
  - Demand and supply for family planning, focusing on vulnerable women and girls
- Health financial protection analysis and reduce health financial hardship
- Social determinants and health equity
- ❖ Vaccines (+COVID) -surveillance, coverage and management

- Quality and inclusive learning tools and resources (also to address COVID-19), including digital resources, that are in line with the pre-primary, primary and secondary education curricula
- Evidence-based communication for education and child protection (including CWDs and minorities)
- Comprehensive and quality inservice and pre-service professionals' capacity development
- National Strategy on Digital Skills Development in North Macedonia
- Pre-school education policies and associated programs conducive to safe, healthy. gender-responsive, inclusive and adequately resourced environments
- Advocacy, knowledge exchange and community engagement on issues of interest and benefit of youth

- Risk-informed approaches to emergency preparedness, planning and response to needs for Child Protection Services
- Social protection services to vulnerable categories of migrants
- \* Tools and mechanisms to ensure protection of children online and prevention of victimization of children
- GRF pledge regarding Kosovo refugees
- Support Government measures for inclusion and protection of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers
- Persons with specific needs are protected and incorporated in the national assistance programmes
- Social work case management
- **Evaluation** on UNICEF interventions for inclusion of children with disabilities
- ICF-based assessment for additional educational, health and social support to children and vouth
- Analyze multi-dimensional child poverty and policy improvements, including for the national statistical system
- Community-based care/services to children and families experiencing adversity
- . Child-care system and quality foster and kindship care, and community-based support system
- Helpline services, and additional support for families with poverty, disability, adversity

- Operationalization of the Law on Prevention and Protection of VAW and DV
  - focus on vulnerable groups
    - ✓ Legal framework bylaws
    - ✓ Assessment of the accessibility to (GBV/DV) essential services nationally
    - ✓ Raising awareness campaigns and events services
    - ✓ Program for domestic and sexual violence perpetrators
    - ✓ Capacity building of service providers - multi-sectorial response to GBV/DV and services for victims of all forms of violence per the standards in CEDAW and the Istanbul Convention
    - ✓ CSOs have the capacities to promote favorable social norms, attitudes and behaviors to prevent violence against women and girls and to promote partnerships for sustainable service provision
    - ✓ GBV data integration, preserving confidentiality and ensuring data quality (case management)
- Child Online Protection National Assessment





#### JWP OUTCOME 3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT OUTPUTS



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#### Outcome 3 outputs by 2025

- 3.1: The enabling policy, regulatory environment, capacities at central and local level and community actions strengthened for low-emission development and multi-sector resilience to climate change
- 3.2: Solutions are identified and scaled-up at central and local levels for integrated, sustainable and inclusive management of natural resources (water, land, forests, biodiversity).
- 3.3: Capacities at central and local levels are strengthened to prevent and respond to the air pollution threats and health consequences in most vulnerable communities
- 3.4: Capacities at central and local levels are strengthened to identify multi-hazard risks and to plan, finance and implement effective disaster risk reduction and response, including human displacement, in line with the Sendai framework
- 3.5: National and local capacities strengthened, and awareness increased for waste reduction and efficient waste management (chemical, water, municipal waste, hazardous waste, medical waste – including in rural areas)
- 3.6: Adverse impacts of the unsustainable farming practices in the lake/river watersheds reduced

#### **OUTCOME 3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW**

#### **UN entities**

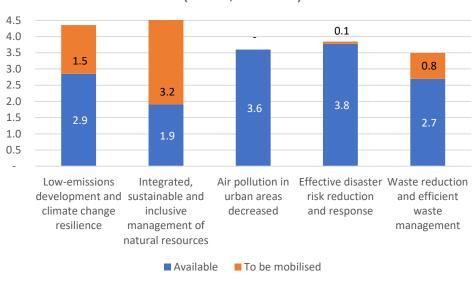
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#### **National and other partners**

DPM for Economic Affairs, Ministries of Environment and Physical Planning, Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy, Education and Science, Health, Economy, Finance, and Culture. National Hydrometeorological Service, National Extension Agency, Crisis Management Centre, Civil protection agencies, Institute for Public Health, Food and Veterinary Agency, City of Skopje, municipalities in the Skopje and Polog regions and municipalities around Ohrid and Prespa lakes, civil society organisations, academic institutions, schools, commercial banks and international organizations/IFIs.

## Estimated 2022 budget \$20.4 million

# Funding Situation 2022 (in US\$ million )



#### ARR OUTCOME 3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT RESULTS ACHIEVED IN 2021

- Development of Enhanced Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) and a financing Strategy supported
- Monitoring, Reporting Verification Platform conceptualized
- New methodology for development of the Green Climate Fund (GCF) Country Work Programme, prepared
- Environment and climate change incorporated in the teaching curricula for the youngest categories of pupils of the primary schools
- For the first time in the country, discussions on migration and climate change initiated
- Support for enhanced climate resilience in agricultural production provided in cooperation with the Institute of Agriculture – Skopje
- Different national environmental spatial data, platforms and databases currently available integrated into one Earth Map Platform
- Partnership with EBRD for facilitating the investment in renewables and in energy efficacy established

- The proclamation of Shar as national park and the draft management plan supported
- Valorization of Ohrid Lake, the initiative for re-proclamation as a monument of nature and development of draft management plan supported
- Capacity of approx. 30 rangers nationwide were increased for more effective management of protected areas.
- National erosion and drought sensitivity maps developed, and a database for soil sealing rate and soil organic matter loss for three pilot sites in Strumica, Prilep and Ohrid region established
- First forest vegetation map prepared for three continuing pilot sites in Maleshevo region
- Human mobility and air pollution knowledge gap addressed
- Monitoring system for air pollution in the City of Skopje expanded with several additional monitoring stations

- Source Apportionment Study which will provide scientific evidence of the sources of air pollution in the City of Skopje in a final stage of development
- Grants for 129 households in Lisice provided to implement number of measures that will reduce the air pollution.
- Number of activities aimed at improving the nature and biodiversity protection in Skopje agglomeration realized (Construction of Green Roof on Dom na Kultura "Koco Racin", Upgrade of the Skopje Green Cadaster, Upgrading of the piezometers from the new monitoring network for monitoring the water in the well area Nerezi - Lepenec with automatic drivers)
- Civil servants capacitated to respond and prevent human displacement caused by disasters
- · Resilience of agriculture sector increased
- Flood Risk Financing and Risk Transfer Roadmap developed
- Increased number of people in Polog region and Drini River Basin benefiting from expanded hydrometric monitoring network and established early warning and public alert systems

- Technical documentation for restoration of the River Sateska and diversification in its natural riverbed completed
- Resilience of the Polog region's communities to flood risk improved -
- Development of the National Deployment Vaccination Plan for COVID-19, and establishment of a new Epidemics and Public Health Emergency Operations Centre (PHEOC) in Skopje supported
- Vaccination and Digitalization of the national immunization system was supported through development of digital modules for integration of all data about vaccination status from the National e-Health system in the e-Register for Immunization
- Remediation of one historical environmental hotspot "OHIS" chemical complex, Skopje initiated



#### 3.1. Climate Change

- Access to affordable green financing facility for SMEs and target group of individuals/households for investment in renewables and energy efficiency solutions improved through establishment of a Green Funding Facility
- Development of the Forth National Communication to UNFCCC supported, and the development of the National Adaptation Plan commenced
- Monitoring, Reporting Verification Platform as per the requirement of the Paris Agreement operationalized
- Monitoring systems for climate finance strengthened and direct access to the Green Climate Fund (GCF) enabled
- Innovations in clean technologies accelerated by designing and implementing a Climate Smart Urban Development Approach
- Sustainable productivity growth in agriculture through high quality data for decision-making, in the context of climate smart-agriculture and agroecology
- HCFC phase-out management plan and HFC phase-down plan for North Macedonia developed
- Young people have enhanced capacities and seed funding for modeling innovative environment and climate-friendly solutions at community level
- Climate change education is integrated into national education policies and curricula for preprimary education, primary education and secondary education, including through venues for experiential learning and teacher's professional development

#### JWP OUTCOME 3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT EXPECTED RESULTS in 2022



## 3.2. Natural resources

- Capacities developed to protect the Outstanding Universal Value of the Ohrid lake region and to implement relevant decisions of the World Heritage Committee
- Feasibility Study for Improvement of Irrigation and Drainage System in Bregalnica River Basin completed
- National capacities for sustainable forest management and biodiversity conservation in the agriculture sector strengthened
- Land utilization and ecosystem services valuation for forest and grasslands ecosystems in the pilot sites (municipalities of Arachinovo, Lipkovo, Gazi Baba, Saraj, Zelino and Jegunovce) prepared, and "Local Environmental Action Plans" of targeted municipalities developed, with focus on sustainable land management and nature-based solutions for erosion control
- Legal and institutional national capacities to address gaps and weaknesses in the land use and land degradation improved to accelerate the achievement of land degradation neutrality
- Support provided for the implementation of the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans in the transboundary Prespa Lake area through improved nature protection and wastewater and solid waste management, and greening the agriculture and local business
- Strengthening transboundary cooperation (water, environment, climate, nexus)
- Citizens of Skopje benefit from improved management of natural resources: Water Management Strategy and a Biotope Map for the Skopje region developed, redesign of the corridor of the quay of Vardar River prepared, green corridor along the Serava River established, possible transmission paths of six-valent chrome in Zeden Mountain underground waters and their impact on Rashce spring identified



3.3. Air Pollution

- Human mobility and air pollution knowledge gap addressed
- Contribution to reduction of air pollution in the City of Skopje
  - Proof of concept for measures that address the air pollution from households heating demonstrated
  - Regulatory changes in support of reducing the air pollution in place
  - Air monitoring and coordination platform established
  - Source Apportionment Study for the City of Skopje completed
  - Public awareness and knowledge on air pollution sources and effects increased

#### JWP OUTCOME 3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT EXPECTED RESULTS



3.4. Disaster Risk Management

- Capacity development on climate change adaptation and disaster risk management in selected UNESCO Designated sites of South-East Europe (regional training course to be delivered in North Macedonia and Albania using the Ohrid lake region as case-study)
- The resilience of the Polog region's communities to flood risk is improved through implementation of flood risk reduction measures (restoration of riverbeds stabilization of priority landslides, etc.), establishment of an early warning system and knowledge and public awareness raising
- The resilience of the Drini River Basin increased through the development of a high level hydrological
  and hydraulic model for Flood Risk Management for the Macedonian part of the Drin River Basin,
  implementation of a comprehensive capacity development program for key stakeholders in the
  region, implementation of priority structural measure for restoration of Sateska River and
  diversification in its natural riverbed, and implementation of non-structural measures toward
  enhanced resilience towards flood risks
- Civil servants capacitated to respond and prevent human displacement caused by disasters, providing training on IOM MICIC and CMCC initiatives
- Development of strategies and mechanisms for prevention of pandemic-/epidemic-prone diseases and their implementation
- Support health emergency capacities of the country by strengthening rapid detection and response
- Support health emergency preparedness through strengthening capacities of the Public Health Emergency Operating Center and Network

#### JWP OUTCOME 3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT EXPECTED RESULTS



3.5 Waste management

- One historical environmental hotspot remedied
  - 330 tons HCH waste, and 150 tons HCH contaminated soil of OHIS chemical complex removed
  - Protected human health and the environment from adverse effects of HCH by reducing and eliminating the releases of and exposure to HCHs at the selected contaminated site (6,000 m3 or 10,700 tons to be disposed)
  - E-waste monitoring for the Western Balkans: assessment of e-waste statistics, e-waste management practices and the e-waste legislation landscape in the beneficiary countries, including North Macedonia, to produce the Regional Ewaste Monitor report for the Western Balkans



#### JWP OUTCOME 4 GOOD GOVERNANCE OUTPUTS



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#### Outcome 4 outputs by 2025

- 4.1: Advanced rule of law, access to justice and protection and promotion of human rights for all, especially those left behind by inclusive and gender responsive legal, policy and institutional frameworks and capacity building
- 4.2: Capacities of central and local governments strengthened to: a) better plan, budget, monitor and track expenditure and leverage resources in a gender-responsive manner in support of accelerated sustainable development b) improve design and efficient delivery of quality public services (targeting excluded groups, including refugee /migration management) with improved social accountability and participation in decision-making.
- 4.3:Increased utilization of foresight and quality and disaggregated data for improved forward looking, evidence-based, results-oriented and transparent policy-making, responsive to the rights of women, men, girls and boys and vulnerabilities of the groups left behind, at all levels and in all contexts, including humanitarian
- 4.4: Social cohesion and trust improved through dialogue and meaningful participation by all, especially of the groups left behind.
- 4.5: Enhanced national and local capacities in asset recovery and countering corruption in public life through better enforcement of anti-corruption laws and preventive measures

#### JWP OUTCOME 4 GOOD GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

#### **UN entities**

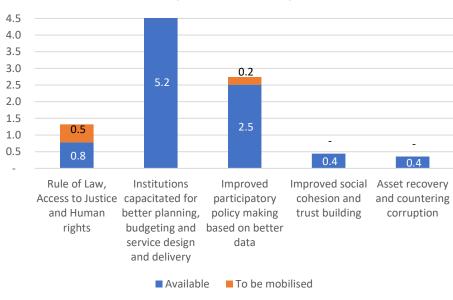
UNDP, UN WOMEN, UNHCR, IOM, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNOPS, UNODC, OHCHR, UNESCO

#### **National and other partners**

Prime Minister's Cabinet, MoI, MLSP, MFA, MIOA, MoC, National Bank, SSO, Academy of Judges and Prosecutors, Ombudsman, NHRIs, Parliament, Public Prosecutors Office, Customs Office, INTERPOL, National Commission for UNESCO, ZELS, NALAS and other CSOs, Academia and others

## Estimated 2022 budget \$10.3 million

# Funding Situation 2022 (in US\$ million )





Milestones: 21 policies and 98 laws/bylaws aligned with EU aquis and international standards 1,800 state and non-state stakeholders at all levels increased capacities

#### 1. Rule of law, access to justice, and human rights for all

- New strategies in areas of Equality and Non-Discrimination and Gender Equality, transposition of EU Gender Aquis, Draft Gender Equality Law
- Support specific measures under the Judicial Sector Reform Strategy 2017-2022
- Justice for children system improved, legislative revisions proposed
- Migration Policy and Action Plan 2021-2025, along with Country Migration Profile adopted
- Increased capacities of **criminal justice practitioners** to handle trafficking in person cases

#### 2. Central and local government strengthened

- National Development Strategy 2022-2042 Methodology approved by the Government
- 13 ministries and 31 municipalities used gender-sensitive budgeting and programming
- 55 municipalities improved citizens' participation and service delivery through digital solutions
- Youth for Action Strategy Around 1,000 young people engaged in re-imagining their future

#### 3. Foresight, quality data, results-oriented and transparent policy-making;

- Policy making processes gained a stronger focus on evidence and data
- Strengthened capacities and systems for anticipatory governance in migration (use of Big data)
- Municipal Development Index updated and aligned with new policy documents
- Development of National Strategy on Justice for Children

#### 4. Social cohesion and trust through dialogue and meaningful participation by all

- Communications Strategy for Social Change narratives towards vulnerable groups transformed
- 3,300 women engaged in advocacy and local outreach initiatives for women empowerment
- 140 TV forums used to improve citizens participation in the decision making at local level

#### 5. Enhanced national/local capacities in asset recovery and countering corruption;

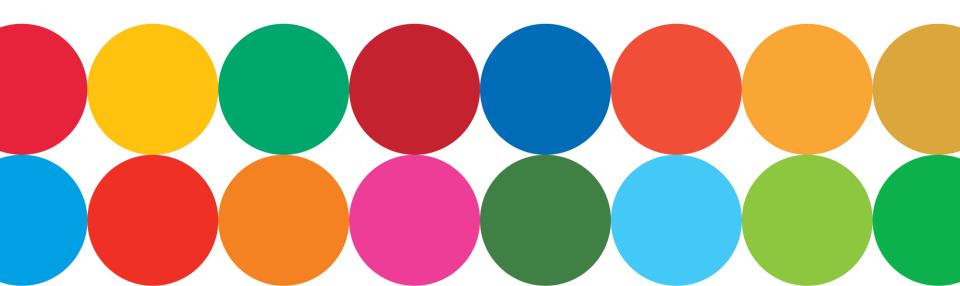
- Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap & Asset Recovery Strategy for Western Balkan
- Improved cross-border cooperation and data exchange on incidents of small firearms.

#### In 2022, UN will support the Government to:

- ✓ Strengthen accountable, transparent and inclusive institutions at all branches and levels of government to deliver efficient and quality people-centered services
- ✓ Accelerate policy, legislative and institutional reforms that will further advance the rule of law, respect for and protection of human rights, especially of those left behind, gender equality, justice, including justice for children
- ✓ Advance the EU acquis approximation process and advancing EU accession negotiations skills
- ✓ Increase national capacities in the fight against corruption and organized crime, and assets recovery
- ✓ Promote whole of society approach and participation of all stakeholders, especially young people and women, and diverse communities in decision making, thus strengthening societal cohesion



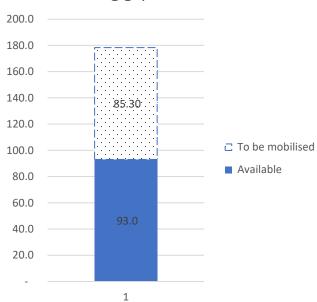
# SDCF Resource Mobilization and Partnership Strategy



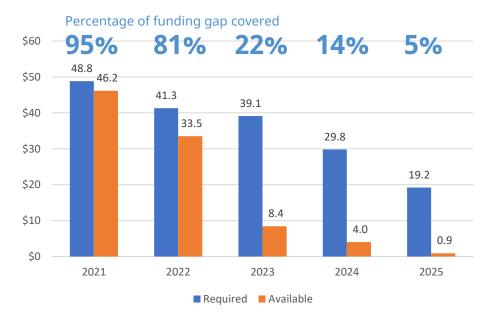
#### 2021-2025 TOTAL REQUIREMENT

# \$178.2 M

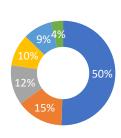
#### Funding gap in US\$ millions



#### Filling the funding gap, per year, in US\$ million

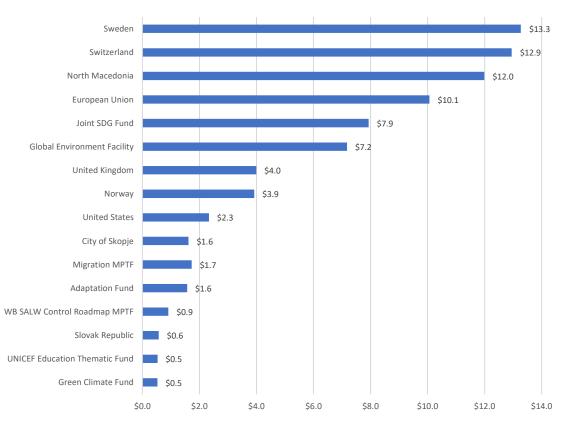


#### **Funding modalities**



- Project/programme specific funding
- Government funds
- Pooled funds
- Vertical funds
- Core funds
- Thematic funds
- Private sector funds

#### **Funding Sources: Largest Contributors in US\$ million**



#### **RESOURCE MOBILISATION – objectives and targets 2021-2025**

Strategic objective	Target (2021-2025)
1. Fill the funding gap	Mobilize \$178.2 million for UNSDCF by 2025.
2. Increase internal coordination in approaching donors	Quarterly resource mobilization discussion per outcome group, bi-annual PMT discussion  UN entities approach donors jointly, whenever relevant.
3. Increase joint (multi-agency) programming	20 joint project ideas developed, 5 under each outcome.
	Resources mobilized for at least 5 new joint projects.  Active joint projects successfully implemented and promoted.
4. Increase government co-funding	> than 3 million in government cofounding
	10% co-funding from government for each project larger than \$1 million USD
5. Improve transparency towards donors	ARRs provides easy-to-read disaggregated financial data.
	UN Website provides up-to-date financial data through UN Info.
	UNSDCF funding status and resource mobilisation approaches
	discussed in JSC and bilateral and multilateral donors.

2 strategic approaches: improve funding mix; leverage larger financing flows























#### PARTNERSHIP – objectives and targets 2021-2025

Strategic objective	Target (2021-2025)
6. Maintain good relationships with existing partners and extend partners network when needed, to achieve UNSDCF results, invest in coordinated approaches to key strategic partners	Partnerships with existing partners maintained; Partnerships with new partners needed for the UNSDCF implementation started.
7. Proactively seek opportunities for cooperation and partnerships with the private sector and IFIs	Increased number of private sector and IFI partners and developed UN North Macedonia corporate approach to the private sector and IFIs.
8. Improve national ownership of the UNSDCF	Government counterparts sensitised and aware of their stake in the UNSDCF.



























#### **JOINT (MULTI-AGENCY) PROJECTS in 2021**

- Funded:
- Evidence-based migration policy planning and discourse in North Macedonia
  - Migration MPTF, implemented by IOM, UNHCR and UNFPA, USD \$1,500,000
- Safe and Innovative Health Services in times of Covid 19
  - UN Covid 19 Response and Recovery Fund, implemented by UNFPA, WHO and UNICEF, USD \$850,000
- From Knowledge and Engagement to Empowerment and Participation (KEEP)
  - UNPRPD Fund, implemented by UNDP, UNICEF, and UNFPA, USD \$400,000
- Pipeline:
- Green Financing Facility to Combat Climate Change and Air Pollution
  - UNDP, IOM and UNECE, USD 7.97 m / USD 46 m
- · Regional Youth Project
  - · UNDP, UNFPA, UN Women and UNICEF, USD 4.5 m, of which USD 0.65 for MK activities
- Regional Labour Migration Project
  - prepared by IOM and ILO, USD 3m



#### **PARTNERSHIPS in 2021**

- Over 130 partnerships in 2021, diverse partners
- IFIs: closer coordination with World Bank and IMF, new collaboration with EBRD
- **Private sector:** various initiatives for cooperation, including on corporate sustainability reporting, coordinated approaches in awareness raising on SDG related issues

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