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10 Steps towards a successful UN80 Initiative for the benefit of the UN Development System

Regarding the Country Level, we suggest:

- 1.** Empowering the Resident Coordinator to strengthen internal coordination, transparency and coherence within the UN Country Teams to reduce duplication between agencies.
- 2.** Strengthening ownership of host governments for the work of the UN Country Teams by ensuring the alignment of the work of all UN agencies with the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks.
- 3.** Measuring the contribution of UNCTs towards national development priorities and the implementation of the SDGs based on Cooperation Framework performance indicators.
- 4.** Right-sizing UNCTs to national needs based on demonstratable value-added and consolidating shared services to eliminate duplication.
- 5.** Reinforcing the Performance Appraisal System for Country Directors and Resident Coordinators by introducing performance criteria focused on inter-agency cooperation, joint programming and transparency.

Regarding the Regional Level, we suggest:

- 6.** Clearly defining roles, mandates, and responsibilities of each level of the UN system and of different regional offices, and the required funding.
- 7.** Ensuring that regional offices do not mirror country-level composition of expertise but are equipped to support country-level implementation.
- 8.** Consolidating the high number of regional offices by reducing fragmentation and overlap between agencies while safeguarding relevant mandates.

Regarding the Global Level, we suggest:

- 9.** Demonstrating the comparative advantage of the UNDS and its individual agencies more clearly and fostering greater inter-agency cooperation.
- 10.** Creating safeguards throughout the UN80 Initiative to ensure that efforts to enhance efficiency, effectiveness, and coherence, including any adjustments to capacities, do not lead to losing sight of the UN's important normative functions, prevention and long-term thinking.