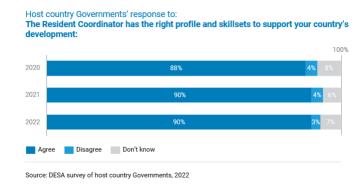
## Key data and evidence on the RC system included in the 2023 UNSDG Chair Report

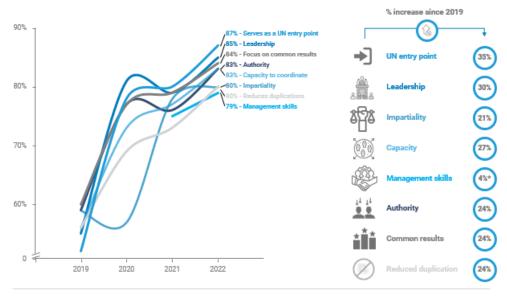
# **Host country Governments' perceptions**

- Two-thirds of host countries' responses to the survey reconfirmed the value of the reinvigorated cohort of RCs, with significant increases on key dimensions compared to 2019:
  - o 90% agreed that RCs have the needed **profile and skillsets**



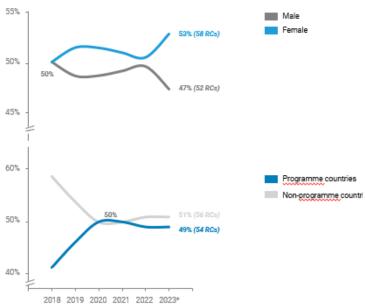
- 87% said the RC serves as a strengthened **entry point to the UN offer** a 35% increase from perceptions pre-reform (62% in 2019)
- $\circ$  85% noted that RCs provided strengthened **leadership** compared to before the reform a 30% jump from 2019 (65% in 2019)
- 80% agreed that RCs displayed strengthened/increased **impartiality** vis-a-vis UN entities than before the reforms a perception shared equally by UNCT members (80%)
- o 82% said RCs have strengthened **capacity** an increase of 27% from pre-reform
- o 79% say RCs have strengthened **management skills**, compared to 75% in 2021 (a response category added only I 2021, hence the minimal increase)
- o 83% say that RC have strengthened **authority**, compared to 59% in 2019 (a 24% increase)
- 84% point out that RCs have increased focus on **common results**, compared to 60% in 2019 (another 24% jump)
- 80% report that RCs have **reduced duplications**, compared to 56% in 2019 (another 24% increase)

#### Governments reporting that Resident Coordinators have strengthened/increased:



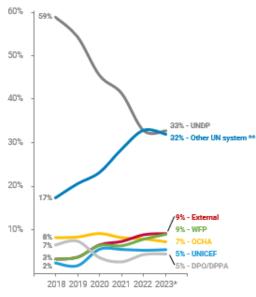
*TO NOTE:* By end of March 2023, 55% of serving RCs were **new appointees** following the reforms. **Gender parity** has been maintained and **geographic balance** is improving steadily, despite normal fluctuations. UN entities in the RC track increased from 17 in 2019 to 23 today.

### Resident Coordinators by gender and nationality



Source: Development Coordination Office, 2023 Notes\*: 2023 figure is as of March 2023

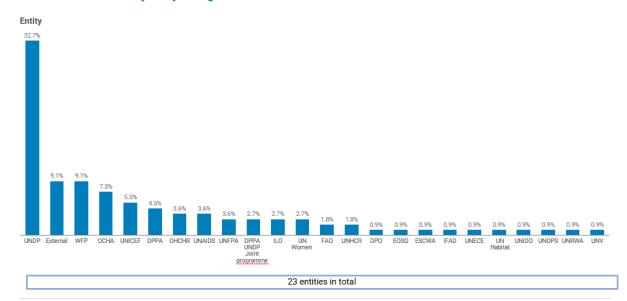
### Resident Coordinators by agency of origin



Source: Development Coordination Office, 2023

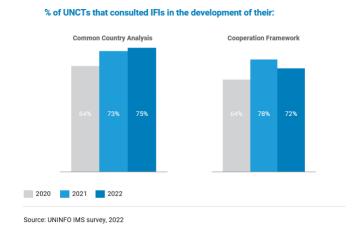
Notes \*: 2023 figure is as of March 2023. \*\*: includes OHCHR, UNAIDS, UNFPA, DPPA- UNDP, ILO, UN Women, FAO, UNHCR, DPO, EOSG, ESCWA, IFAD, UNECE, UN Habitat, UNIDO, UNOPS, UNRWA, UNV

### **Resident Coordinators by entity of origin**



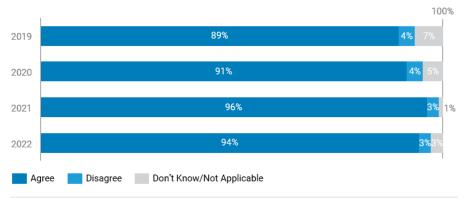
Source: Development Coordination Office, March 2023

- 87% of host countries said RCs provide increased ability to access UN expertise, compared to 80% in 2021. For example:
  - ITC and the Regional Economic Commissions doubled their membership in UNCTs, between 2021 and 2022
  - UNCTAD tripled their participation I UNCTs between 2021 and 2022
  - UNEP's participation in UNCTs increased by almost half between 2021 and 2022:
  - The World Bank was a member of 45% of UNCTs in 2022
  - The IMF was a member of 24% of UNCTs in 2022
  - Since the reforms, IFI participation in preparing Common Country Analysis (CCAs) increased from 64% (in 2020) to 75% (in 2022), and in developing Cooperation Frameworks from 64% (in 2020) to 72% (in 2022)



- o 88% confirmed RCs effectively lead the **delivery of strategic support** for national plans and priorities, as indicted in 2021
- 94% agreed that **Cooperation Frameworks** enabled them to ensure that UN activities effectively respond to national priorities (an increase from 89% since the reforms)

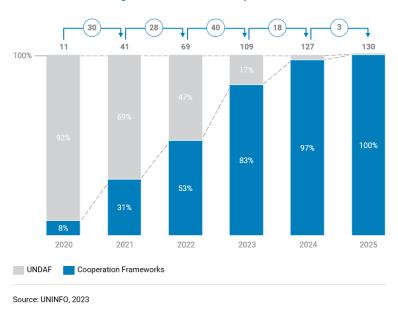
# Host country Governments' response to: The Cooperation Framework/UNDAF has enabled the Government to ensure that the UN activities are effectively addressing/responding to national priorities, including on the delivery of the SDGs:



Source: DESA survey of host country Governments, 2022

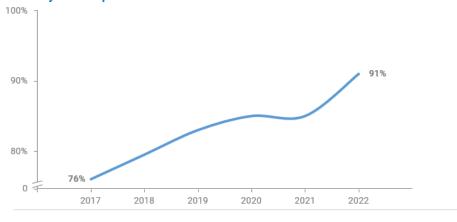
*TO NOTE:* By end of 2022, over half of all UNCTs had transitioned from their old UN Development Assistance Frameworks (UNDAF) to new UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks. As of March 2023, 104 Cooperation Frameworks were rolled out – 40 in 2022 alone – working together with Governments.

**Transitioning from UNDAFs to new Cooperation Frameworks** 



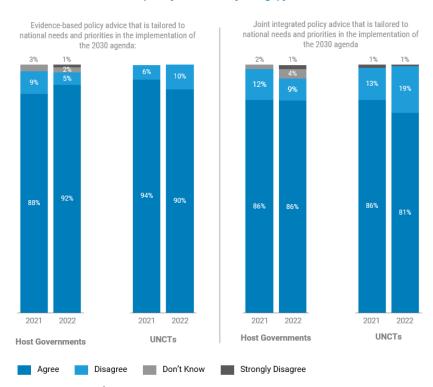
o 91% of host Governments said **UNCTs have the right mix of capacities** to support national development efforts (from 76% since the reforms)

Host country Governments' response to: UN staff in the UNCT have the right mix of capacities and skills to support the country's development



Source: DESA survey of host country Governments, 2022

 92% in 2022 vs. 88% in 2021 agreed that the UN adequately provided evidence-based policy advice vs. a decreasing trend among UNCTs (90% of UNCTs in 2022 agreed that the UNCT provided better evidence-based policy support against 94% the year before)

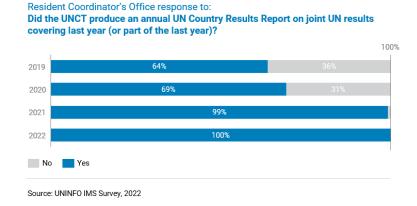


The UNCT now, compared to one year ago, provides better

Source: DESA survey of host country Governments and UNCTs, 2022

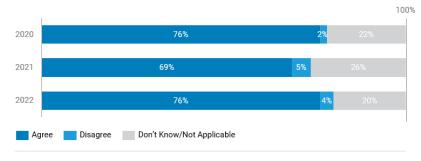
o 78% said they received a **UNCT Results Reports** in 2022, against 63% in 2021

TO NOTE: 100% of RCOs produced a UNCT Results Reports, from 64% since the reforms).



o 76% said RCs contributed to building stronger synergies across development, humanitarian and peacebuilding interventions.

Host country Governments' response to:
The Resident Coordinator has contributed to building stronger synergies across development, humanitarian and peacebuilding interventions:



Source: DESA survey of host country Governments, 2022

TO NOTE: Since the reforms, there has been a steady increase in national mechanisms and/or structures to coordinate international development, humanitarian and peacebuilding efforts (from 65% in 2020 to 72% in 2022)

Resident Coordinators' response to:

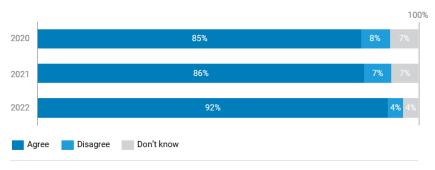
Are there national mechanisms and/or structures to coordinate international humanitarian, development, and peacebuilding/sustaining peace efforts?



Source: DESA survey of Resident Coordinators, 2022

o 92% said RCs contributed to leveraging **partnerships** in support to national efforts to advance the 2030 Agenda and achieve the SDGs.

Host country Governments' response to:
The Resident Coordinator has contributed to leveraging partnerships in support of national efforts to advance the 2030 Agenda and achieve the SDGs:



Source: DESA survey of host country Governments, 2022

### **Contributing Governments' perceptions**

- Of the 48 contributing country Governments who responded:
  - o 88% agreed the RC system stepped up collective and coherent action and helped leverage the comparative advantages of UN entities (compared to 75% in 2021)
  - o 77% reported it helped minimize duplication of efforts and advances efficient use of resources (compared to 71% in 2021).

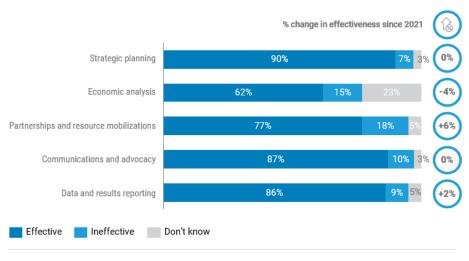
### **Independent evaluations**

- The system-wide evaluation of the UNDS socio-economic response to COVID-19 acknowledged the role of RCs in fostering an effective UNDS response to the pandemic.
- The <u>OIOS evaluation of DCO regional teams</u> relevance and effectiveness attested to their importance in enabling RCs to fulfil their leadership and coordination role.
- The system-wide evaluation of the Joint SDG Fund noted the RCs' strategic role in enabling UNCTs to access the Fund's resources.
- Recommendations from the Board of Auditors also recognized the positive results achieved by the RC system.
- An independent <u>evaluation of UNFPA's engagement in UNDS reform</u> a first of its kind among UNSDG entities noted that the reformed UNDS, including independent RCs, have enabled UNFPA to position its strategic priorities and leverage joint programming for results.

# **UNCTs' perceptions of RCO support**

• UNCTs largely value the support provided by RC offices. The views of UNCTs help to point to areas in which the offer of RCOs could be further enhanced. DCO takes note of these ratings to course correct and help the system continue to improve

**UNCT members ratings of support from the Resident Coordinator's Offices** 



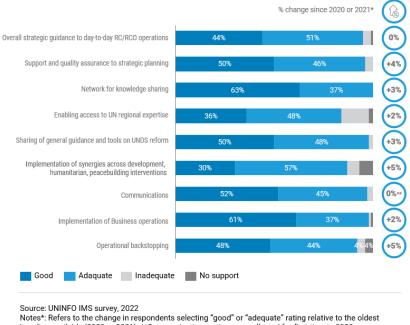
Source: DESA survey of UNCT members, 2022

*TO NOTE:* In 2022, 91% of RC system personnel were based in countries supporting RCs and UNCTs. Prior to 2019, over half of the RC offices had only 1 or 0 substantive coordination staff. Post-reform, every RCO has 5 core capacities for strategic planning, economic analysis, partnerships, data and results reporting, and communications.

### RCOs' perceptions of DCO support

RCOs' rating of the support received from DCO regional teams continued to increase in all areas. The 2022 OIOS evaluation of regional DCO teams concluded that DCO regional support enhanced the capacity of RCs to better fulfil their leadership and programme coordination role, and that RCs were highly satisfied with it.

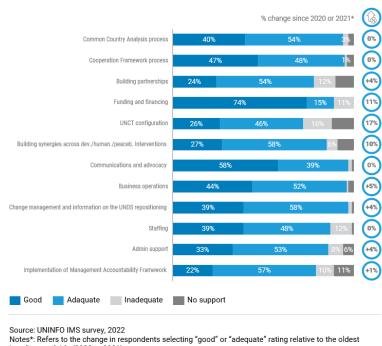




Notes\*: Refers to the change in respondents selecting "good" or "adequate" rating relative to the oldest baseline available (2020 or 2021). \*\*Communications rating was collected for first time in 2022.

In 2022, RCO's rating of the support received from DCO in New York continued to improve steadily in most areas. Support for UNCT configuration, MAF implementation or humanitariandevelopment-peace coordination merit additional attention going forward

RCO rating of the support provided by the DCO team in New York



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