

Expertise-on-Demand Mechanism

Work Package 8 | Leads: Secretary-General (ITU), Administrator (UNDP)

OBJECTIVE

To make UN system expertise rapidly and easily accessible to UN country teams and Member States on demand.

HOW WE GET THERE

- **Actions 34, 54: Establish an expertise-on-demand mechanism** with a common catalogue of available expertise and services, clear access protocols and standardized administrative arrangements so that they can be deployed more quickly and efficiently.

PROGRESS TO DATE

The design of the expertise-on-demand mechanism was endorsed by the Secretary-General in February. Since then, work has moved to the build phase, including mapping of expertise and services, design of practical arrangements, circulation of templates and development of the online catalogue.

NEXT STEPS AND DECISIONS

- **Actions 34, 54:** Work will continue on the catalogue, access protocols and standard administrative arrangements. The mechanism will be reflected in the Secretary-General’s QCPR report in **May**, with further details to be provided in a Secretary-General’s information brief by **September**. Initial pilots for the first UN country team will be rolled out by June with support from the Joint SDG Fund. This will be followed by refinement and system-wide operationalization by September.
- No decision of an intergovernmental organ is envisaged.

QUICK SUMMARY: PATHWAYS AND PRODUCTS

Action	Pathway to decision	Products (dates)	Intergovernmental consideration
Actions 34, 54: Establish expertise-on-demand mechanism	Work package leads → Secretary-General	• Secretary-General’s report on QCPR implementation (May) • Secretary-General’s information brief (September)	-