

Gender Budgeting

Tool 10: Integrating a gender perspective in monitoring and evaluation processes

This tool can be used by managing authorities and monitoring committees to establish an evaluation plan, including for mid-term and ex post evaluations.

An evaluation plan outlines how a programme will be evaluated, including in terms of its gender objectives and indicators. The plan includes the regular evaluation of programmes – intended to improve implementation quality and inform the design of the next programme phase – alongside a mid-term evaluation in 2024 and ex post evaluations of each programme in 2029. All evaluations should consider a programme’s gender equality-related aspects.

There are different options for evaluating how programmes have integrated a gender perspective, and what their gender-relevant outcomes are. These include:

- **Evaluation option 1.** Ex ante assessment of the programme’s consideration of gender aspects (voluntary);
- **Evaluation option 2.** Follow-up on gender-related programme results by integrating specific gender aspects in the programme’s main evaluations (mid-term and ex post), as well as in regular reporting to the monitoring committee;
- **Evaluation option 3.** Additional relevant evaluations, as suggested by managing authorities;
- **Evaluation option 4.** Gender budgeting evaluation, as described in the framework below.

The purpose of a specific evaluation is to assess the extent to which a programme has had an impact on gender inequalities within the intervention area; how well gender-relevant processes have been applied; and the extent to which combined funds or programmes were used to address gender-related issues.