Institutional transformations in 2017-2018

**Bringing people together into a shared space for action**

A task force has been set up by decree within the Ministry of Planning and Development to coordinate the creation of a multi-stakeholder platform (MSP). This demonstrates general recognition of the importance of having a multi-sectoral policy and of planning for nutrition within a Common Results Framework. Nutrition was integrated into the new National Development Plan 2017-2022 (NDP). The focal points designated by various sectors and partners do not meet regularly, due to lack of funding. The UN Network for SUN and the SUN Business Network work relatively well.

**Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework**

All stakeholders took part in processes to validate of the National Agricultural Investment and Food and Nutrition Security Programme, the development of the 2017-2022 NDP, and the Strategic Communication Plan to Combat Malnutrition and Malaria. A national nutrition policy has just been adopted and will be multi-sectoral, unlike its predecessor. Analysis of the nutrition situation and evaluation of the previous National Strategic Food and Nutrition Plan 2012-2015 have allowed for the definition of overall outline of the new multi-sectoral strategic nutrition plan.

**Aligning actions around common results**

The Common Results Framework will be developed this year. The various relevant sectors and stakeholders have been consulted and involved in various reviews and analyses since October 2017. They have also been involved in the mapping of stakeholders and actions in the field of nutrition, with a view to facilitating alignment of their actions and reducing any identified gaps. A mapping of stakeholders, actions and nutrition gaps in terms of gender equality has also been conducted.

**Financing tracking and resource mobilisation**

In April 2017, a budget analysis exercise was conducted with technical assistance from a consultant in order to define budget allocations for interventions that contributed to nutrition. Sectoral ministries do not yet have dedicated nutrition-related budget lines. External allocations, however, including from partners, are included in the ministries’ annual action plans, although these allocations are not always made on time.

---

**2018–2019 PRIORITIES**

- Accelerate the process that will establish the multi-stakeholder platform;
- Finalise and validate the new multi-sectoral strategic nutrition policy and plan;
- Develop a Common Results Framework.