



# **European Commission United Nations Development Programme International IDEA**

## ***Joint Training on Effective Electoral Assistance***

### **UN Resources and Services: Who does what?**

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# Who does what (UNDP/UNDP A)

Entity		Function
UNDP Country Office (CO)		Provides corporate policy guidance, advice and best practices on electoral systems and processes. Inputs into the drafting of the base documents when requested.
UN Electoral Assistance Division		Supports the CO in terms of corporate and regional positions, authorising eventual pre-financing for electoral assistance.
UNDP Regional Centres		Supports the formulation, contract negotiation and clearance with the EC, as well as the co-drafting of an eventual MOU in a basket situation. Works alongside AIDCO E4.
UNDP Procurement Support Office		Provide policy and programming advice as decentralized offices of Regional Bureaux and BDP.
UNDP Bureau for Development Policy		Serves as main country-level interface for UN electoral assistance. Responsible for liaison with Government and bringing the donor community together.
UNDP Regional Bureaux		Supports United Nations Focal Point – USG for Political Affairs – in decision to provide UN election assistance. Guides expert selection; offers technical assistance particularly in post-conflict scenarios; inputs on evaluation.
UN/UNDP Brussels Office		Provides specific electoral advice to help the CO in putting together a realistic procurement budget, timetable and appropriate procedures but can be called upon to do the procurement exercise itself at behest of the CO.

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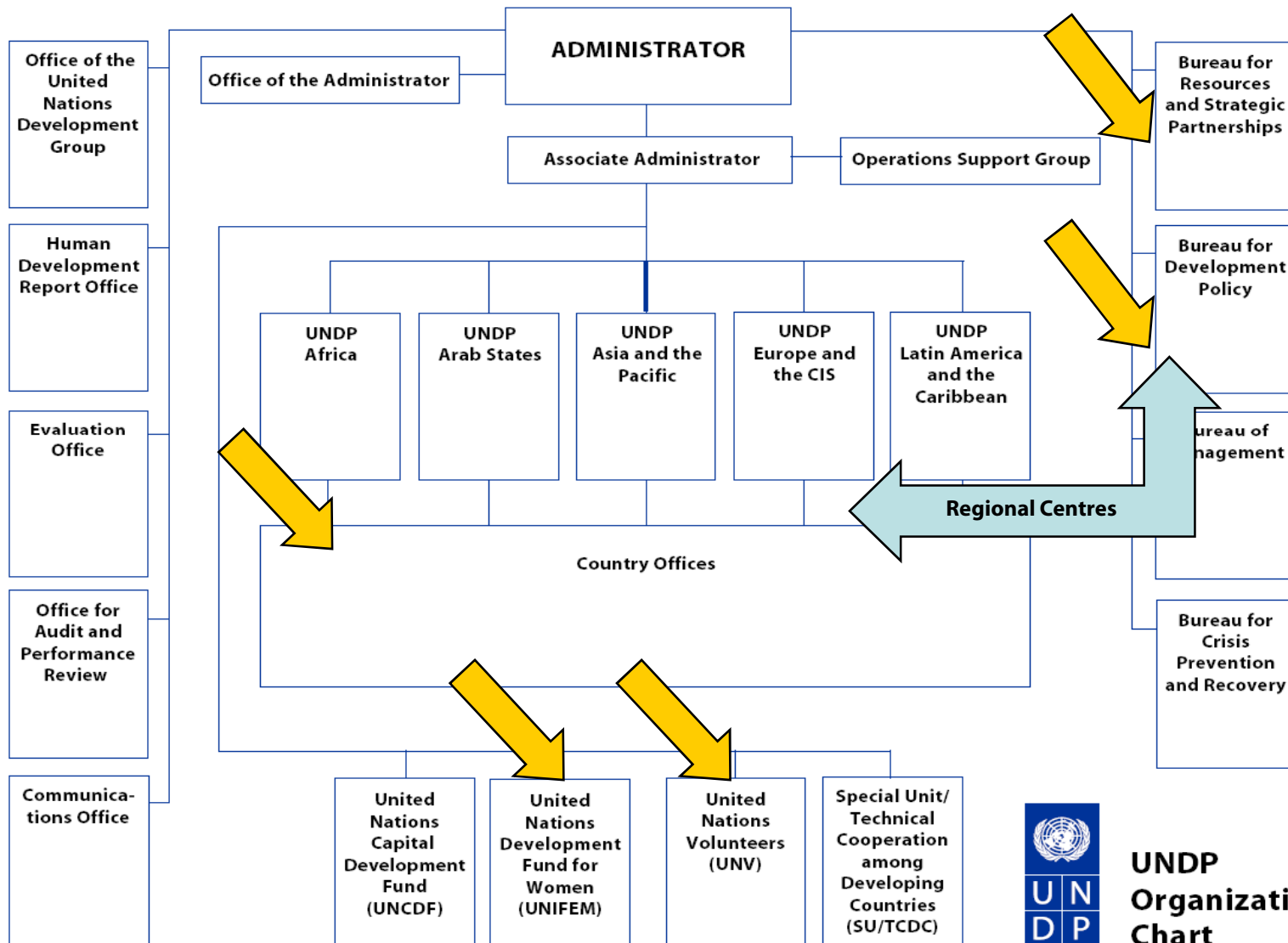


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# UNDP Organizational Chart



**UNDP  
Organization  
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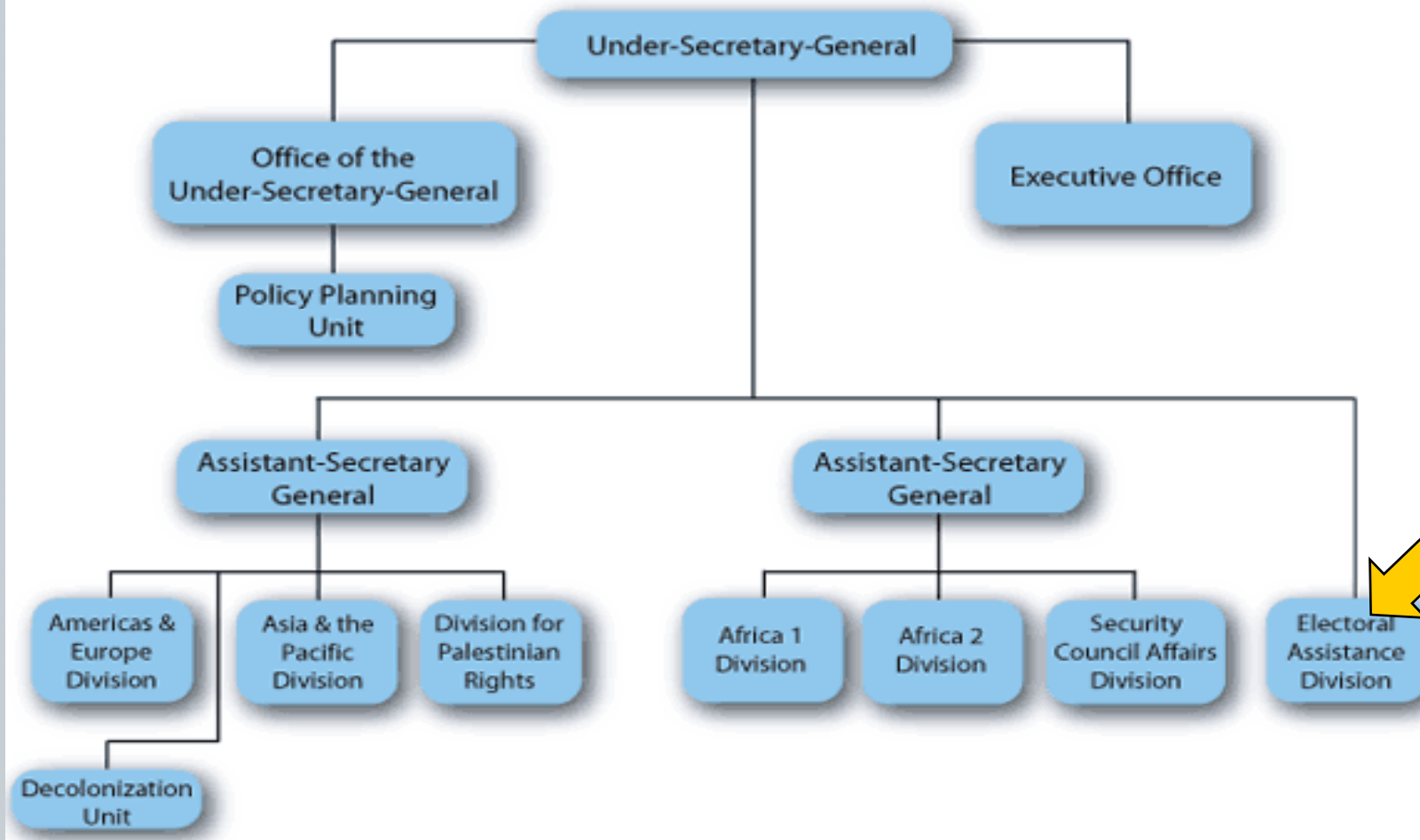
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# DPA Organization Chart

## DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS Organizational Chart



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# Key UN Actors

**United Nations Department for Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO)** charged with SC/GA mandate for electoral assistance in many post-conflict situations, which is implemented through a peacekeeping missions in partnership with the other country team members, particularly UNDP.

**United Nations Office of Project Services (UNOPS)** is a service provider which assists UNDP, DPA, DPKO and Member States with operational and other support in electoral events.

**United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)** has as part of its mandate support to improve public administration. UNDESA is collaborating with seven institutional partners the “ACE: the Electoral Knowledge Network” initiative.

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# Key UN Actors—Continued

**United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF)** UNDEF, established in 2005 as a United Nations General Trust Fund, supports democratization globally. UNDEF finances projects in a number of areas, including electoral support, political parties, and civic education. It is intended to complement UN efforts to strengthen and expand democracy worldwide.

**International Organization for Migration (IOM)** has frequently implemented out-of-country registration and voting (OCV) programmes for conflict-forced migrants. IOM has also acted as a service provider to European Union Electoral Observation Missions.

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# UNDP Global Programme on Electoral Cycle Support (GPECS)

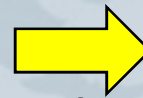
\$50 m/3 year initiative to support electoral cycle approach

Donors = Spain, Canada

Regional Advisors to support Country Offices

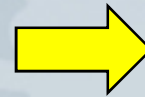
Linkages with EC-UNDP Joint Task Force

Leadership, advocacy and capacity development at the **global** level



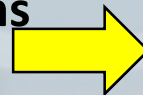
Lessons learned, policy advisory services, publications

**Regional** knowledge development, exchanges and capacity



Tackling issues of regional relevant and interest

Electoral cycle support and lessons learned at the **national** level



Expressions of interest  
Support to implementation

Empowerment of **women** throughout the electoral cycle



Gender Team support to global, regional and country level work

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# ***Scenario***

**You are the UN Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative in Namarador. It is 4 years before the next national election. You have just gone through elections, however, and have learned some lessons. The donors and national partners would like to know what comes next and how you can collectively address these lessons and prepare for the next election.**

- What do you do within the UN bureaucracy?**
- Who do you contact, why, when?**

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# Discussion

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