

DG NEAR STRATEGIC EVALUATION PLAN 2022-2026

Study start date	Study end date	Title of the study (lead unit)	Study type	Study overview
Q1 2022	Q1 2023	Evaluation of EU support to youth in the neighbourhood and enlargement regions (NEAR.A3)	General Study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and assistance provided to improve youth policies, strategies, support to youth organisations, youth empowerment, youth participation in decision-making and public life, as well as youth economic empowerment
Q2 2022	Q2 2023	Evaluation on EU support to solid waste management and circular economy (NEAR.A3)	General study	The evaluation will assess DG NEAR interventions in the solid waste management and circular economy sectors, particularly with regard to the Green agenda and Economic and Investment Plan. In principle limited to the Western Balkans.
Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Evaluation of EU support to business climate in enlargement and neighbourhood regions (NEAR.A3)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and assistance provided to improve business climate in the NEAR region
Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Evaluation on connectivity, transport and energy (NEAR.A3)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and assistance provided in the sector in NEAR region
Q1 2023	Q1 2024	Ex post evaluation of IPA II and mid-term evaluation of IPA III (NEAR.A, D and NEAR B4)	Evaluation	Evaluation on the basis of the requirements in the legal bases for accountability and lessons learnt for the remaining period of IPA III
Q1 2023	Q1 2024	Ex post evaluation of the ENI and mid-term evaluation of the Neighbourhood component of the NDICI ¹ (NEAR.A, B, C and SGUA)	Evaluation	Evaluation on the basis of the requirements in the legal bases for accountability and lessons learnt for the remaining period of NDICI
Q2 2023	Q2 2024	Evaluation of SIGMA and of public administration reform with a focus on public finance management ² (NEAR.A2)	General study	Assessment of the SIGMA programme, as well as assessment of the policy dialogue and assistance provided to public administration reform with a focus on public finance management in NEAR region
Q2 2023	Q2 2024	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Kosovo ³ (NEAR.D4)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to Kosovo to achieve the objectives of the Indicative Strategy Paper
Q3 2023	Q3 2024	Evaluation of the IPA Roma inclusion projects (NEAR.D5 and Adviser Roma Policy)	General study	The evaluation will be a follow-up to the previous evaluation carried out in 2015

¹ Joint evaluation with DG INTPA.

² Combination of the two evaluations with a similar scope. The evaluation of public administration reform was previously foreseen for 2022.

³ This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence

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Q3 2023	Q3 2024	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Turkey (NEAR.B4)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to the country to achieve the objectives of the Indicative Strategy Paper
Q1 2024	Q1 2025	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Lebanon ⁴ (NEAR.B1)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to the country to achieve the objectives of the Single Support Framework
Q1 2024	Q1 2025	Evaluation of the cooperation between the Commission and the EIB in the enlargement & neighbourhood regions (NEAR.A5)	General study	Assessment of the past cooperation with the EIB and identification of lessons for the future
Q2 2024	Q2 2025	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Bosnia and Herzegovina (NEAR.D4)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to the country to achieve the objectives of the Indicative Strategy Paper
Q2 2024	Q2 2025	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Egypt ⁵ (NEAR.B3)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to the country to achieve the objectives of the Single Support Framework
Q3 2024	Q3 2025	Evaluation of the EU support in the field of human rights ⁶ (NEAR.A2)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and assistance provided in NEAR region in the sector of human rights
Q3 2024	Q4 2025	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Jordan (NEAR.B1)	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to the country to achieve the objectives of the Single Support Framework
Q1 2025	Q2 2026	Evaluation of the EU cooperation with Azerbaijan (NEAR.C2) ⁷	General study	Assessment of the policy dialogue and the financial assistance provided to the country to achieve the objectives of the Single Support Framework
Q3 2025	Q4 2026	Evaluation of the cooperation with the Council of Europe (NEAR.A2) ⁸	General study	Cooperation with the Council of Europe stemming from the Statement of Intent of 2014

⁴ Previously foreseen for 2022.

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⁷ New evaluation.

⁸ Previously foreseen for 2024.