

Core Advisory

Evidence and institutions strong enough for the decision that still has to be taken.

Core Advisory is the primary institutional consulting arm of Altamont Advisory. Ministries, UN agencies, multilaterals, and INGOs retain us for utilisation-focused MERL, strategy and policy support, institutional strengthening, and capacity that remains — when the assignment is material and the method must hold under timelines, politics, and multi-partner pressure. Same Implementation Integrity bar as EdWorX and AI & Digital.

950+	150+	100M+	20+
Institutional assignments	Countries of delivery	People reached	Years in the field

WHO COMMISSIONS US

Government ministries and public institutions · UN agencies and multilateral programmes · International NGOs and foundations · Multi-country portfolios needing decision-grade evidence and stronger institutions

POSITIONING

We design for the decision — not the report. Evidence, strategy, and institutional work are shaped around what leadership must decide, fund, or defend. Methods must survive real constraints: limited absorption capacity, political economy, multi-partner delivery, and the requirement that capability remains after we leave.

CORE CAPABILITIES

Utilisation-Focused MERL

Monitoring, evaluation, research, and learning designed for programme boards and ministry leadership. Comparable where multi-country portfolios require it, concrete enough to change course, and built for multi-partner delivery. Includes independent evaluations (baseline to impact), portfolio reviews, results systems, and institutional learning loops aligned to OECD-DAC and partner standards where required.

Strategy & Policy Advisory

Options appraisal, sector strategy support, and policy-facing analysis that leadership can stand behind. Work is structured around the decisions that must be taken under real political and resource constraints, not generic strategy frameworks.

Institutional Strengthening

Assessments, governance frameworks, and organisational design that improve the capacity of institutions to deliver and account for results. Focus on what remains usable and owned by the client institution.

Capacity Development That Transfers

Needs assessments, training-of-trainers, communities of practice, and capability transfer designed so skills and standards stay with the institution after close-out. Avoids workshop theatre in favour of embedded, residual capacity.

SELECTED WORK SIGNALS

Multi-country UN portfolio MERL and reallocation support

Harmonised evidence and decision support under institutional pressure, enabling leadership to defend reallocation and course correction with comparable data across countries.

Governance and institutional reviews under reform pressure

Independent reviews and diagnostic work that produce findings leadership can act on within political and timeline constraints.

Utilisation-focused evaluations for adaptive management

Evaluations and learning processes designed so findings feed ongoing decision cycles rather than sitting as end-of-project compliance documents.

Capacity and systems work that remains after close-out

Standards, tools, indicator systems, and learning loops embedded with client teams so the institution is stronger when external support ends.

HOW WE ENGAGE

Core Advisory can be commissioned alone or combined with EdWorX (education systems) and AI & Digital (decision-grade intelligence) under one Implementation Integrity bar. Multi-year and multi-arm mandates are structured to avoid cold handoffs between firms. Engagement begins with the decision agenda and success criteria, not a generic methodology menu.

NEXT STEP

Brief a senior advisor on your RFP, evaluation TOR, institutional challenge, or multi-country mandate. Senior response within two business days.

Altamont Advisory · A practice of Altamont Group · Senior response within two business days · Offices: Dubai · Atlanta · Vancouver