



Webinar on Public Data Tools and Data Sources

International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI)

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Today we will cover



- IATI the initiative
- IATI data standard
- IATI & the European Commission
- IATI & data users
- Benefits & challenges

IATI the Initiative

History, context and characteristics of IATI

The International Aid Transparency Initiative



IATI is a global initiative
to drive sustainable
development through
open data

Policy background



- Launched in 2008
- Further endorsed in 2011
- A part of the aid effectiveness agenda
- Principles of coordination, harmonisation & alignment
- Information is vital to the management of aid

Data on aid projects is typically:

Difficult to find

Different
formats

In multiple
locations

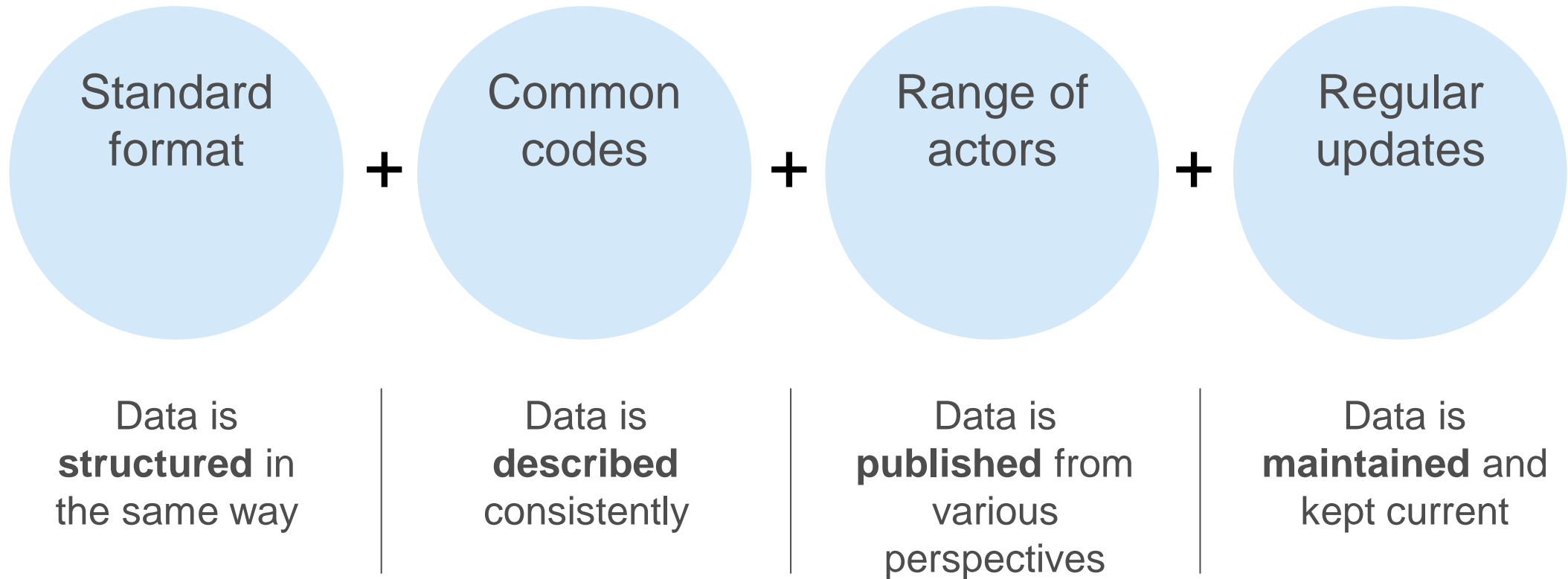
Out of date

Partial

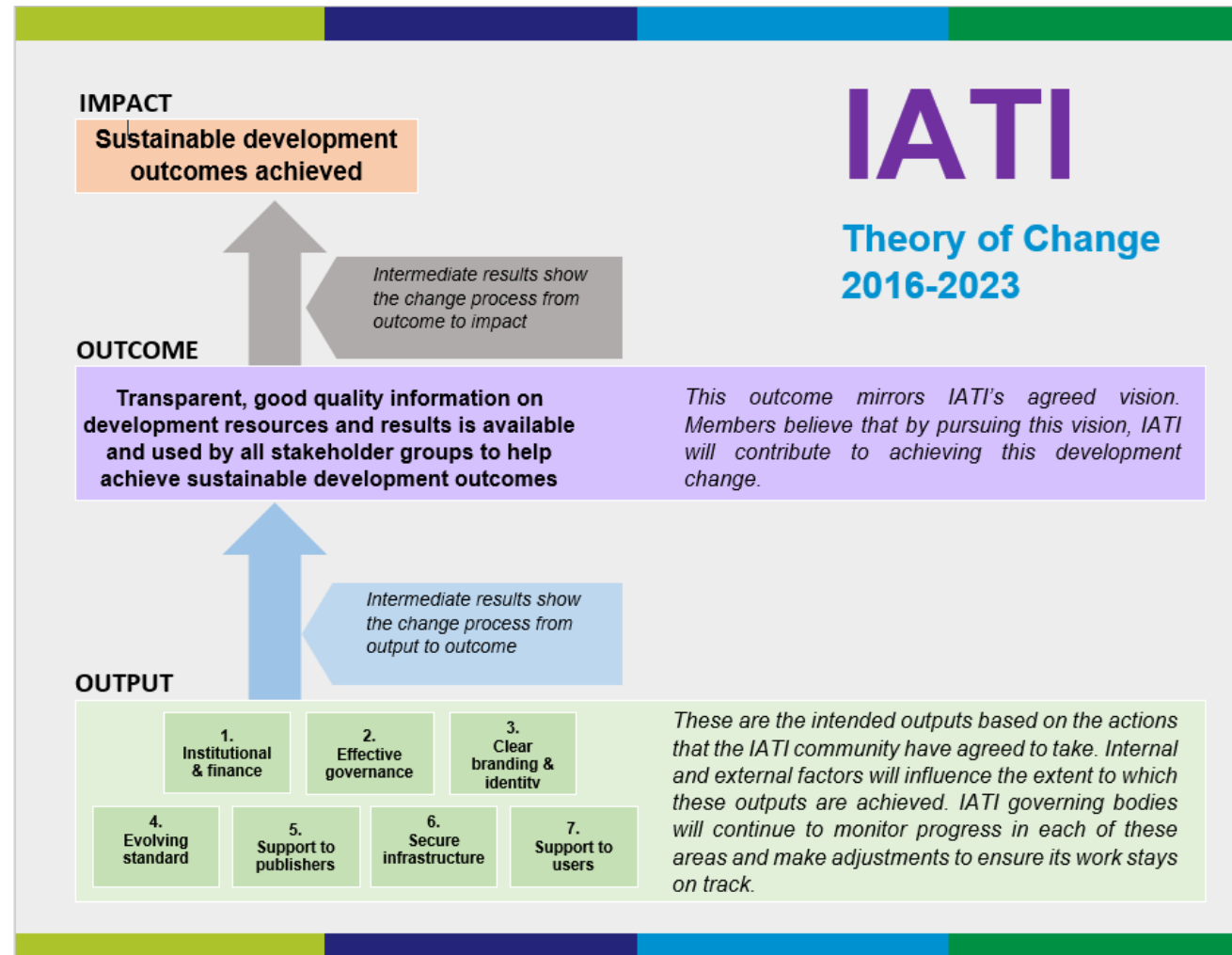
Not
comparable

Inconsistent

The IATI response:



What's the anticipated outcome?



Recent evidence



Last updated 27 April 2020

Guidance: Publishing data on COVID-19 using the IATI Standard

Version 2 - Monday 27 April 2020

Recent updates to guidance¹

Following a [consultation with IATI's community](#), this guidance has been updated to provide **additional recommendations** on how to publish data on COVID-19 using the IATI Standard. These changes are **highlighted in yellow** on page 2.

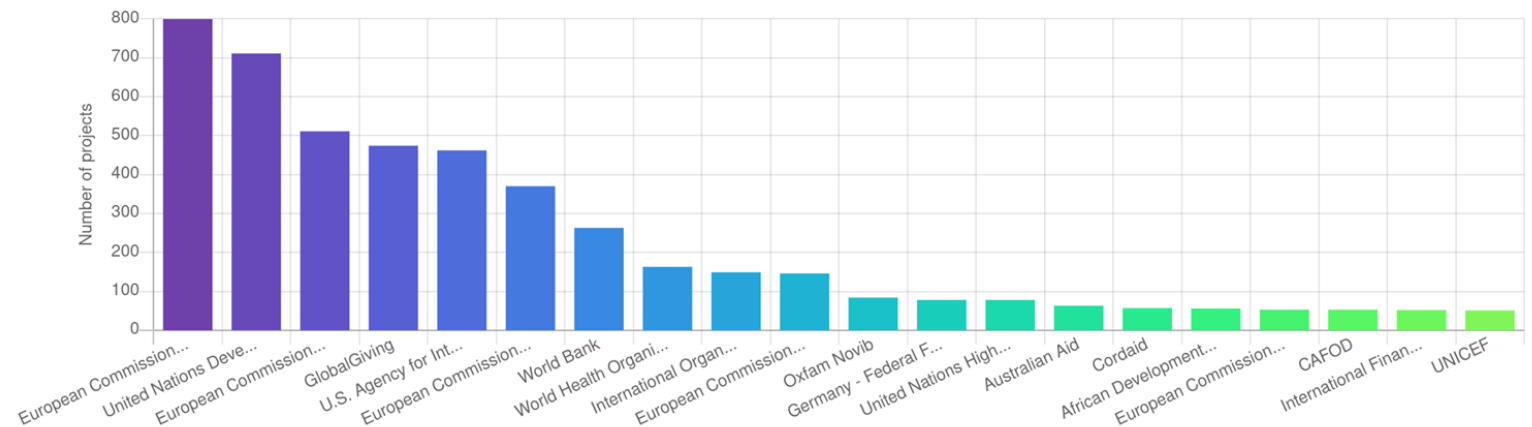
This is a prototype visualisation to track the Covid-19 response. The data on this page comes from [IATI](#). Read more on the [about page](#).

Activities

Summary

Showing a [chart](#) of [number of projects](#) by [reporting organisation](#).

[Filter and customise display »](#)



Showing the top 20 entries. Change view to **Table** to view all entries.

5727 Activities

[Download ▾](#)

How does it work?

Organisations ***publish*** their data in the IATI format

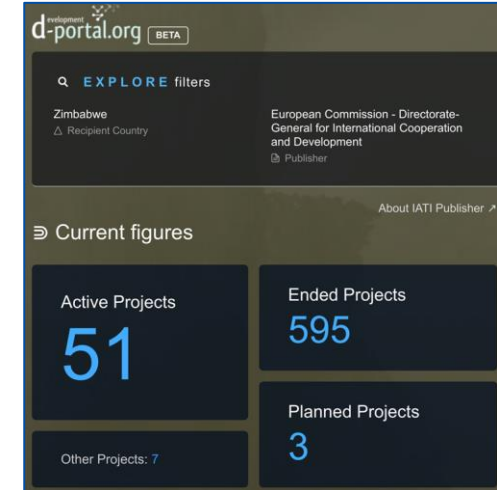
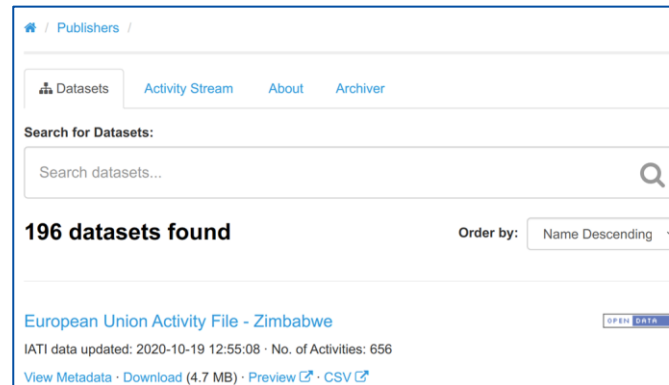


The IATI secretariat maintain a ***registry*** of links to all known datasets



Users access the data via ***services*** and ***tools***

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What does this mean for data users?

Fast
changing

IATI data can be
“realtime” on aid
projects

Varied
quality

Not all
organisations
maintain at the
same level

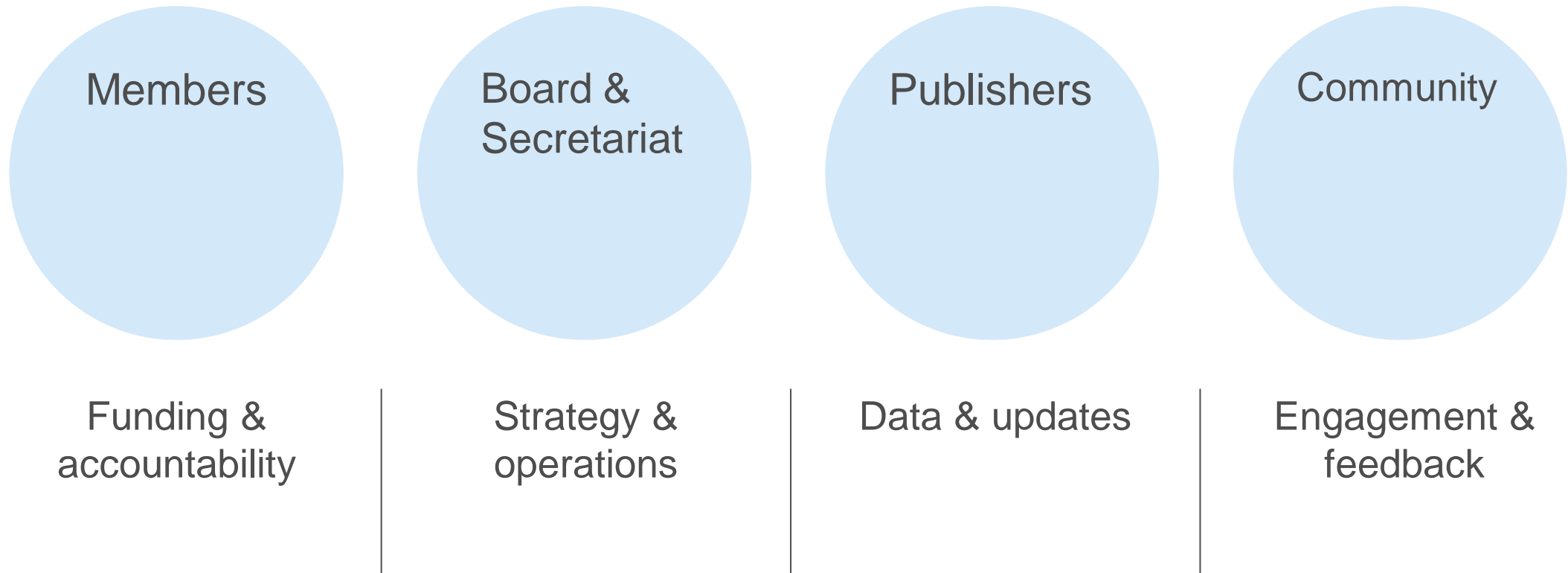
Multi
level

Data from a
small NGO
alongside large
donors

Machine
readable

XML is not really
a format for
humans!

Who is involved in IATI?



What's open data?

The Open Definition

The **Open Definition** sets out principles that define “openness” in relation to **data and content**.

It makes **precise** the meaning of “open” in the terms “**open data**” and “**open content**” and thereby ensures **quality** and encourages **compatibility** between different pools of open material.

It can be summed up in the statement that:

*“Open means **anyone** can **freely access, use, modify, and share** for **any purpose** (subject, at most, to requirements that preserve provenance and openness).”*

Put most succinctly:

*“Open data and content can be **freely used, modified, and shared** by **anyone** for **any purpose**”*

Differences with OECD DAC CRS data

OECD DAC CRS data

- Heavily controlled
- Small number of reporters
- Centrally curated
- Statistically robust

IATI data

- Flexible standard
- Open system
- Self-managed
- Not intended as a single dataset

IATI is not complete

OECD DAC CRS is not timely

This is fine!

Three things to remember!

Publishers **will** vary

IATI represents many different actors in humanitarian and development

Projects **will** differ

There will be different approaches from various publishers

Content **will** change

The amount of data and detail will vary across and within publishers

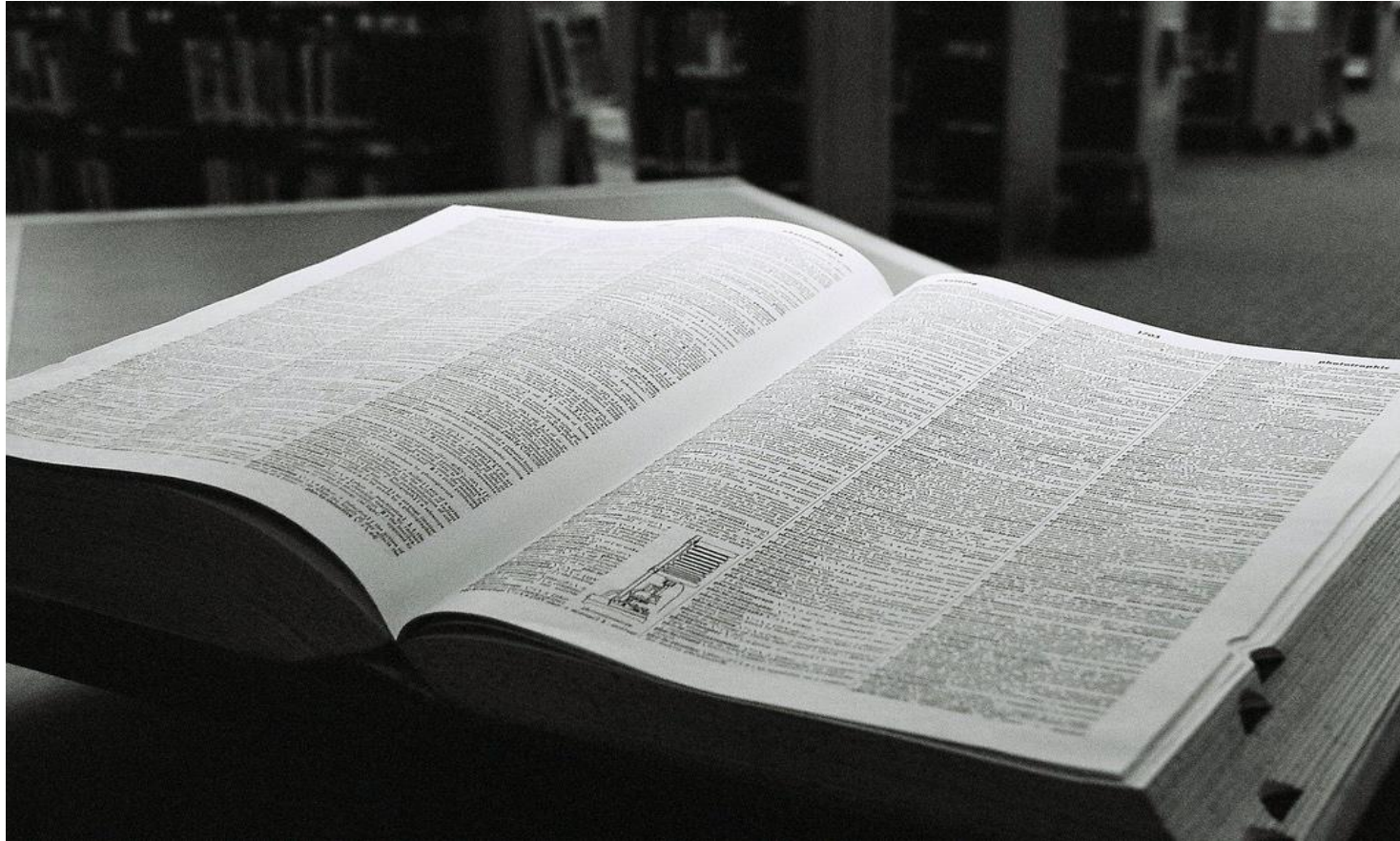
Like a jigsaw puzzle (without the box)



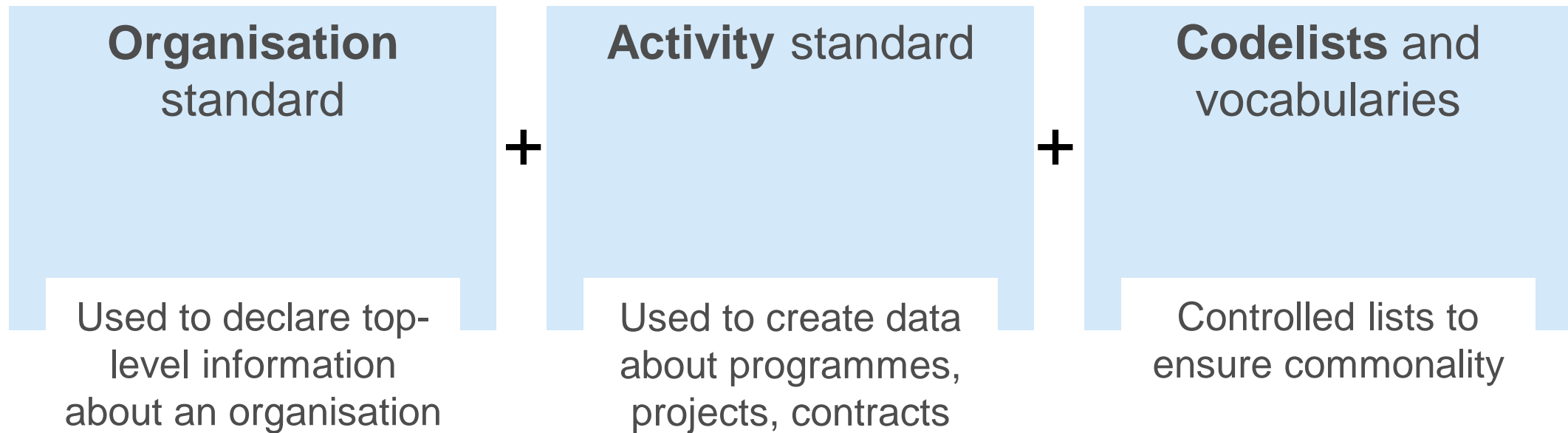
The IATI data standard

Publishing data for use

Think of it as a dictionary (& grammar book)!



The IATI standard



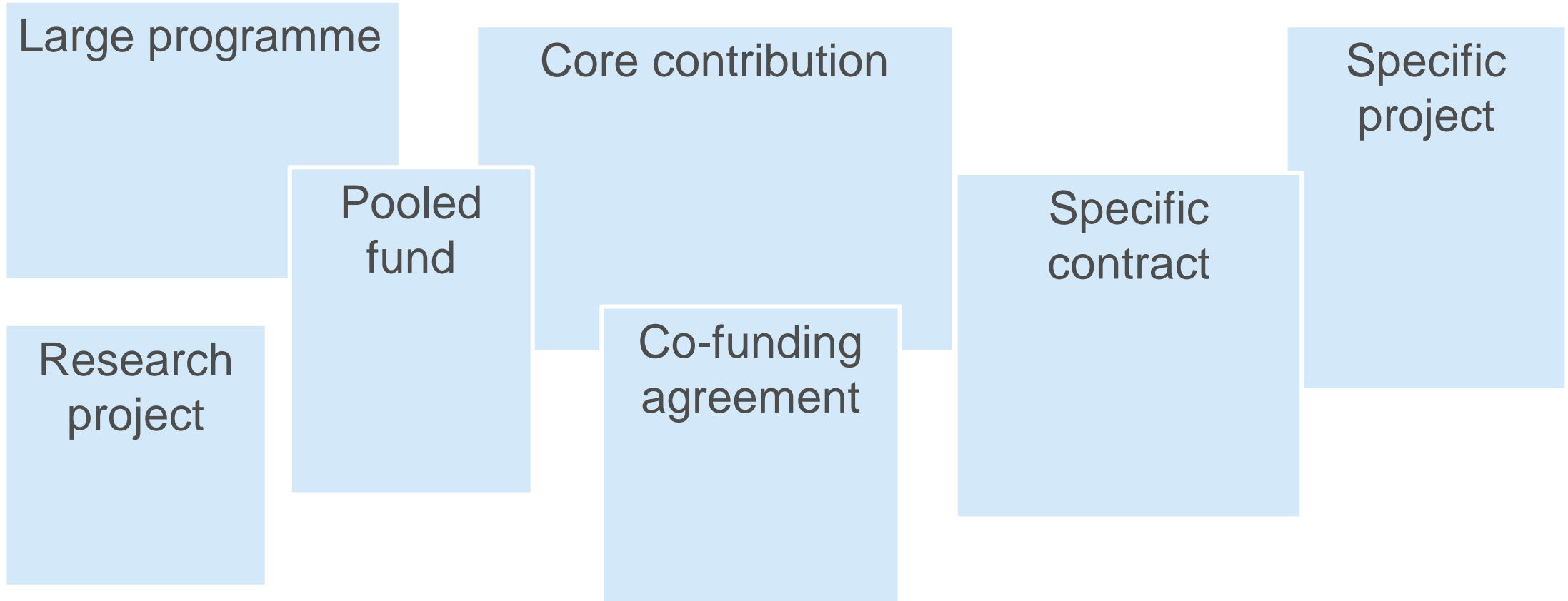
Activities answer many questions

Operational <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is this activity about?• When does this activity start and end?• What's its current status?• Who is involved, and what is their role?• Where does this activity take place?	Financial <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the budget for this activity?• How much funding has flowed in?• How much has been spent?
Contextual <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Which classifications are used for this activity?• Where can more information be accessed?• What other activities are linked?	Measureable <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the indicators for this project?• How are the impacts, outcomes or outputs performing?

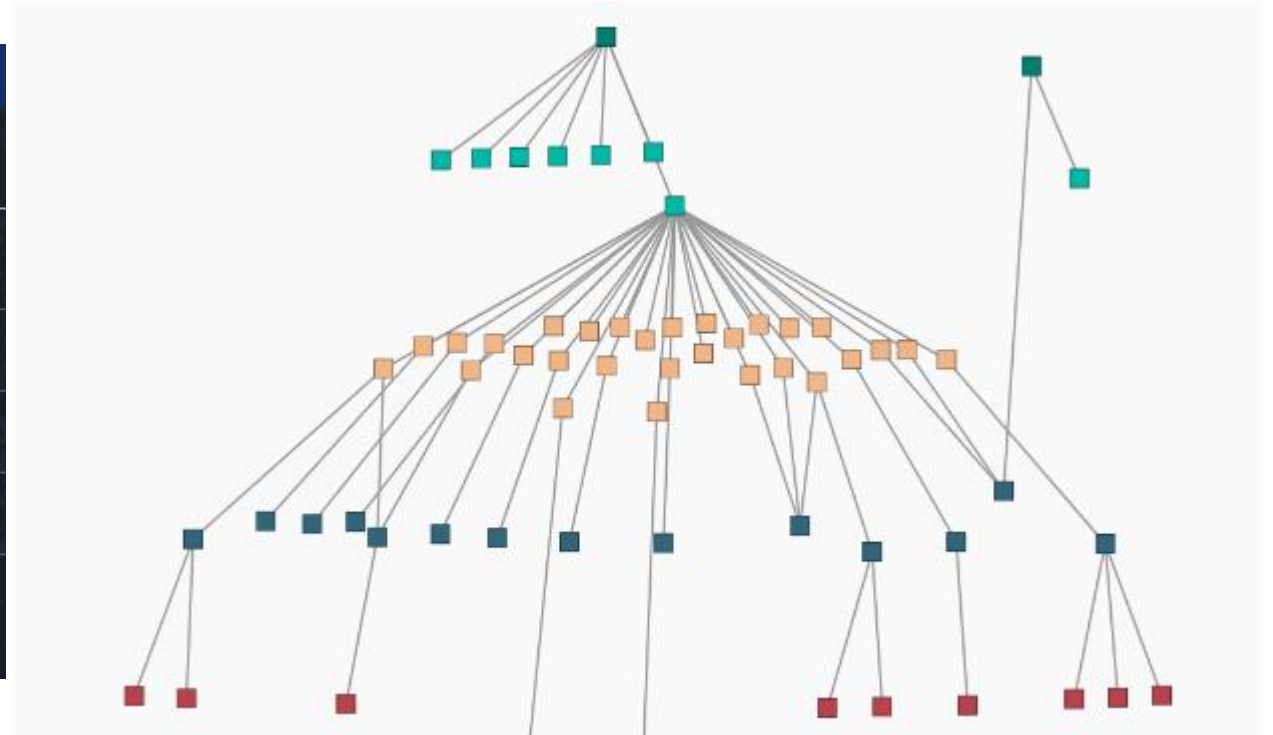
Data fields help order it

Key questions		IATI data fields		
What?	Who owns this data?	Reporting Organisation	Activity Identifier	Contact Info
	What's it about?	Title	Description	Humanitarian Flag
	What's the focus?	Sector	Policy Marker	Humanitarian Scope
When?	When is it taking place?	Activity Date	Activity Status	
Who?	Who's involved?	Participating Organisation	Contact Info	
Where?	Where is it?	Country / Region	Activity Scope	Location
How much?	How much money?	Budget	Transaction	
How?	Why is it taking place?	Document Link		
	How does it operate?	Modality	Condition	Related Activity
	What impact is there?	Result	Indicator	Document Link

IATI Activities can take many shapes



RELATED ACTIVITY (5)	
REFERENCE IDENTIFIER	TYPE
GB-1-201857	Parent
GB-1-201857-101	Sibling
GB-1-201857-102	Sibling
GB-1-201857-104	Sibling
GB-1-201857-105	Sibling



Organisations are *publishers*

AID TRANSPARENCY		IATI STANDARD		IATI DATA	
Home	Data	Publishers	Using IATI Data	Dashboard	About API Help
🏠 / Publishers					
^ Publisher	IATI Organisation Identifier	Organisation Type	HQ Country / Region	Datasets	
Aasaman Nepal	NP-SWC-27693	National NGO	Nepal	1	
ABAAD - Resource Center for Gender Equality	LB-MOI-497	National NGO	Lebanon	1	
Abaseen Foundation UK	GB-CHC-1157009	International NGO	United Kingdom	2	
AbleChildAfrica	GB-CHC-326859	International NGO	United Kingdom	2	
Abt Associates Inc	US-EIN- 042347643	Private Sector	United States	1	

EU Institution IATI publishers

▲ Publisher	IATI Organisation Identifier	Organisation Type	HQ Country / Region	Datasets
European Commission - Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development	XI-IATI-EC_DEVCO	Other Public Sector	(No country assigned)	196
European Commission - Humanitarian Aid & Civil Protection	XI-IATI-EC_ECHO	Other Public Sector	(No country assigned)	10
European Commission - Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations	XI-IATI-EC_NEAR	Other Public Sector	(No country assigned)	46
European Commission - Service for Foreign Policy Instruments	XI-IATI-EC_FPI	Other Public Sector	Europe, regional	138
European Investment Bank	XM-DAC-918-3	Multilateral	(No country assigned)	2

Member state publishers

Austria	
Belgium	Published
Bulgaria	Preparing
Croatia	Not published
Cyprus	
Czech Republic	
Denmark	
Estonia	
Finland	
France	
Germany	
Greece	
Hungary	
Ireland	
Italy	
Latvia	
Lithuania	
Luxembourg	
Malta	
Netherlands	
Poland	
Portugal	
Romania	
Slovakia	
Slovenia	
Spain	
Sweden	

Specific agencies are publishers

Netherlands - Ministry of Foreign Affairs	XM-DAC-7	Government	Netherlands
Netherlands Commission for Environmental Assessment	NL-KVK-41185216	Foundation	Netherlands
Netherlands Enterprise Agency	NL-KVK-27378529	Government	Netherlands
Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD)	NL-KVK-27189542	International NGO	Netherlands
Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)	NL-KVK-27367015	Government	Netherlands

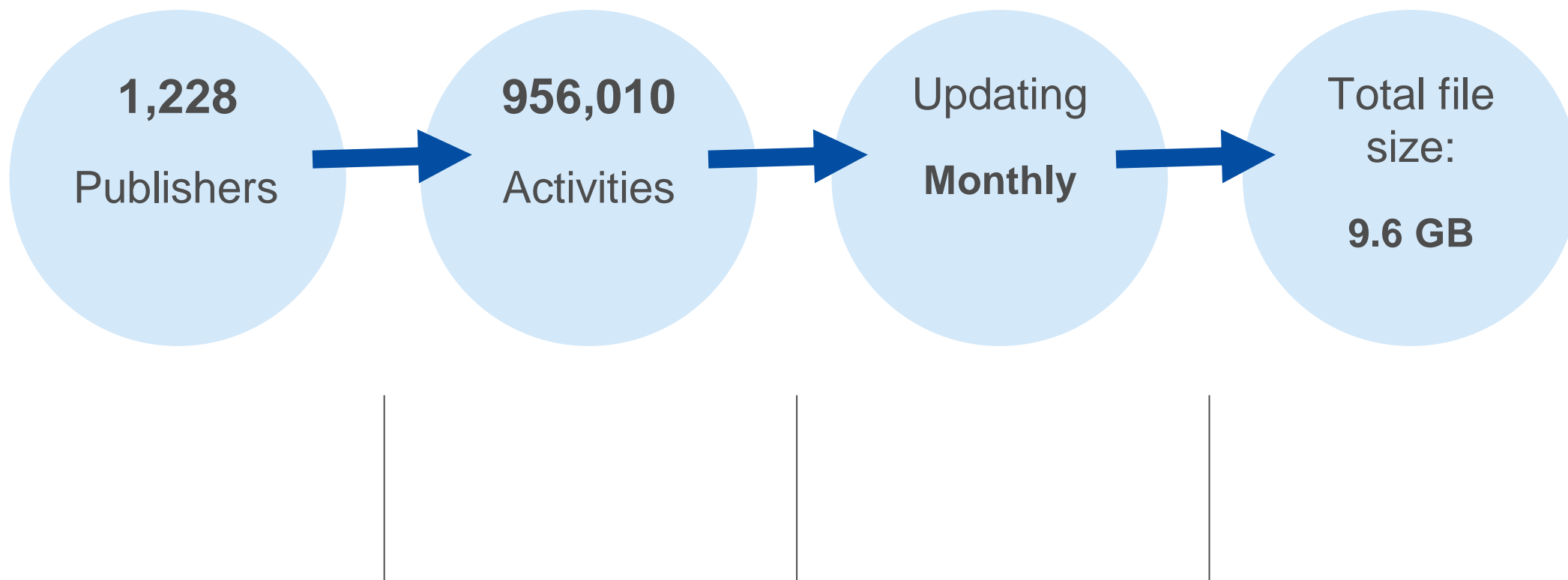
Many parts of the chain publish

▲ Publisher	IATI Organisation Identifier	Organisation Type	HQ Country / Region	Datasets
50 Eight Limited	GB-COH-07291220	Private Sector	United Kingdom	1
Aapasi Sahayog Kendra Syangja Nepal (ASK Nepal)	NP-SWC-8220	National NGO	Nepal	2
Aasaman Nepal	NP-SWC-27693	National NGO	Nepal	1
ABAAD - Resource Center for Gender Equality	LB-MOI-497	National NGO	Lebanon	2
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Able Child Africa	GB-CHC-326859	International NGO	United Kingdom	2
Abt Associates Inc	US-EIN-042347643	Private Sector	United States	1

Quiz time!

To help us chart IATI, we're now going to do an interactive quiz!

The size and scope of IATI



I started working on IATI in Nov 2011!



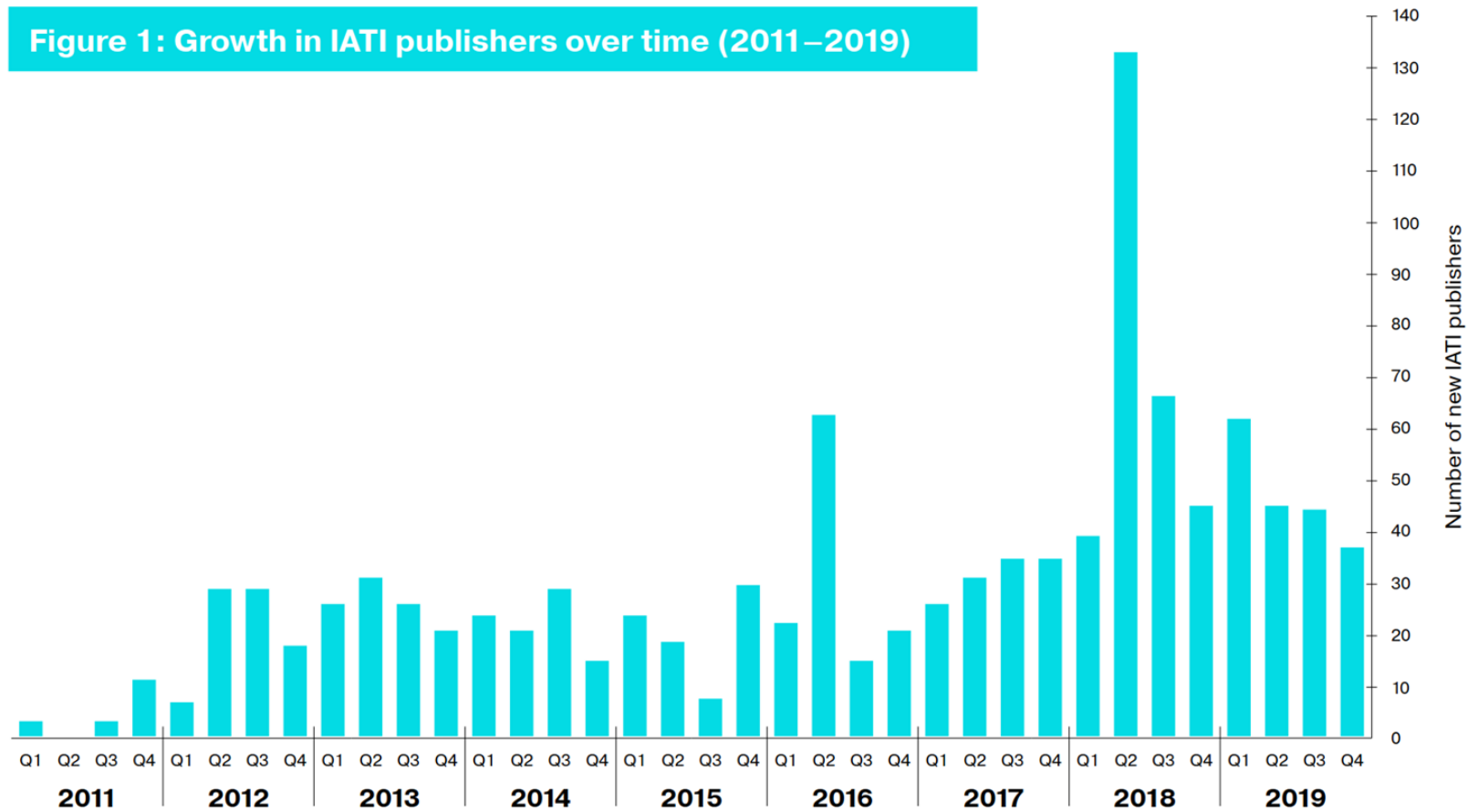
PUBLISHERS

There are **5** publishers.

Title	Number of activity records	Description
Australian Agency for International Development	1	
Department for International Development	118	
Development Initiatives Poverty Research	1	
The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation	2	
The World Bank	144	

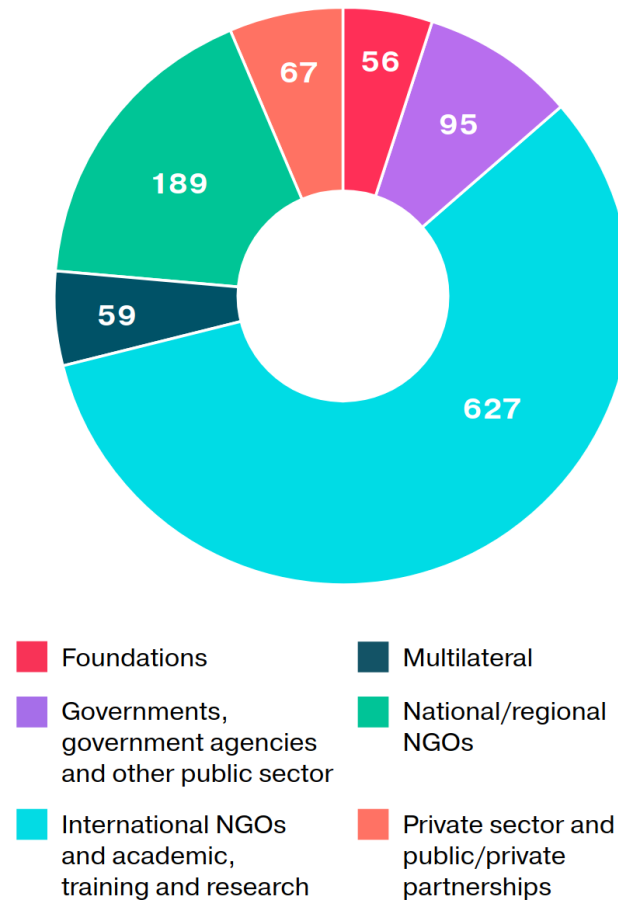
IATI data has got bigger

Figure 1: Growth in IATI publishers over time (2011–2019)



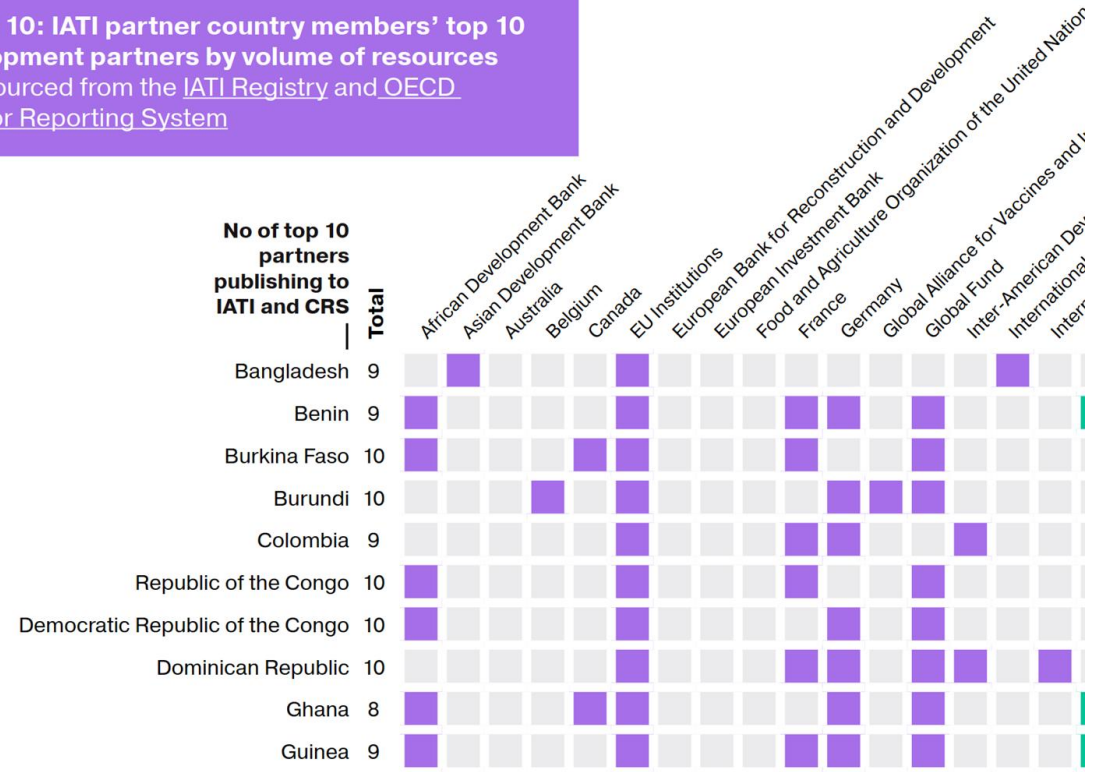
... wider

Figure 2: IATI publishers by stakeholder group in 2019



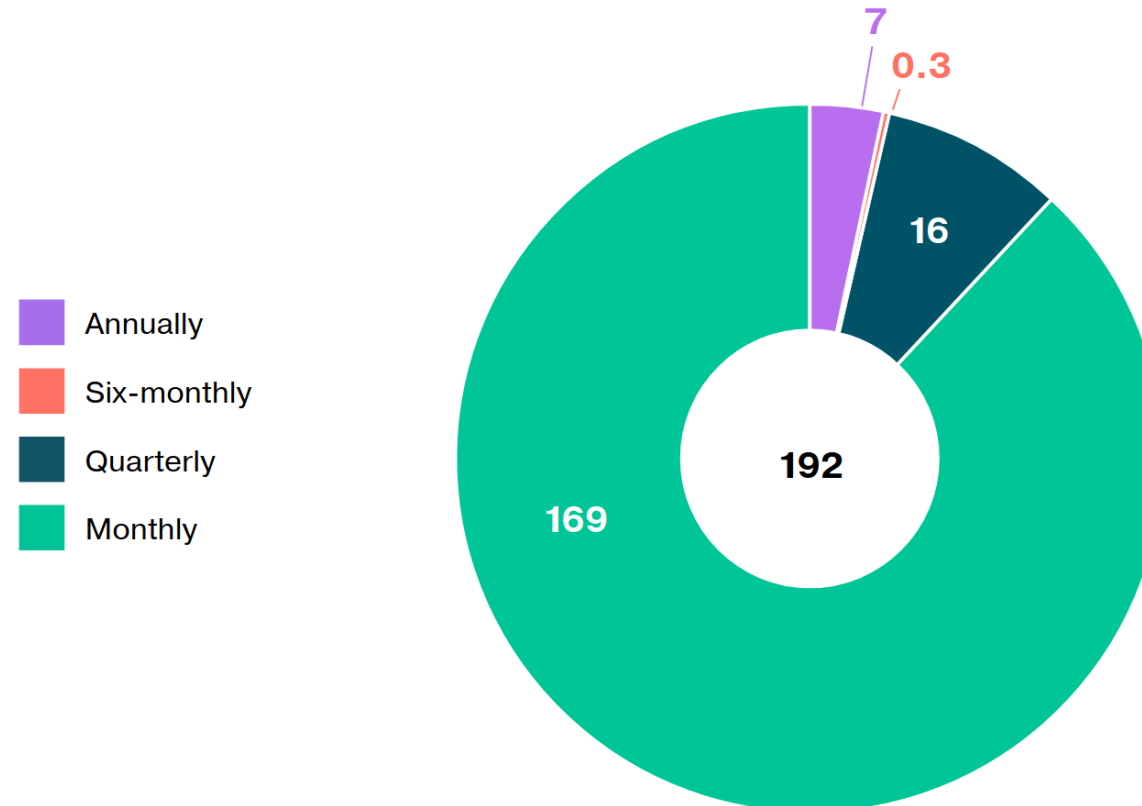
And deeper

Figure 10: IATI partner country members' top 10 development partners by volume of resources
Data sourced from the [IATI Registry](#) and [OECD Creditor Reporting System](#)



Updated more often

Figure 5: Volume of IATI data according to the timeliness of data publication (US\$ billion)



How do organisations produce IATI data?

Direct
from
systems

Finance, project,
document and
monitoring
systems

Little
manual
curation

IATI is just an
output - not a
“report”

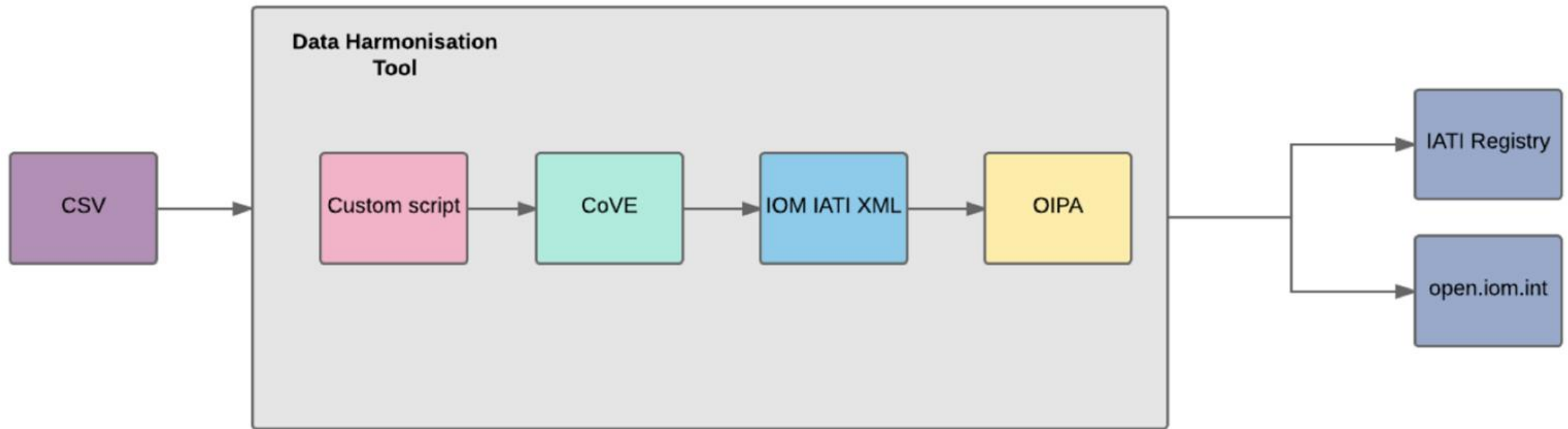
Publicly
available

Data is p[en
data accessible
to anyone

Machine
readable

IATI is in the
XML format

Data as infrastructure



EC IATI data comes direct from systems

17/03/2017 17:22:01 (Grants) contract

EN | FR |

Help
My files
Programming
Decisions (Level 1)
Measures / Projects
Call Tender/Proposals
Contracts
Search
Grant
Implementation
Specific contract
Financing Memorandum
Reconciliation
Framework Contracts
DAC Form
LEF/BAF (Operators)
Budget
Deviations & Prior Approvals
ROM
PADOR
Codification tables
Administration
Tools
Data Warehouse
CRIS 09.13.178
PORTAL 01.04.060
Interface
Portal

Pipe-line & forecasting Description Contractors Payment Riders Allocations

General information Persons in charge Visas Analytical breakdown Allocations

New (from Proposal budget) New (from Proposal EDF) New (from PROSPECT) Key search Advanced search

Identification

Contract number 2008 / 149-145
Domain CSO-LA - Civil Society organisations and Local authorities
Contract type SV - Grant
Sub-nature D01 - Action grant to any entity except International Organisations (centralised and decentralised management)
Applicable regulation FR2007 - Financial Regulation 2007
Local ABAC Reference SCR.149145
Legal commitment SCR.2401
Related contract reference number
Simplified workflow deviation and prior approval ☐

Status Former system reference Nature

Award procedure information

Call reference 126342 / 9
Award procedure type APR - (FR2007) Restricted Call for Proposals
Proposal Nr
"External actions" procedure Yes
Framework Partnership Agreements reference

Request

Request date 08/02/2008
Contract language EN - English
Request reference

Information

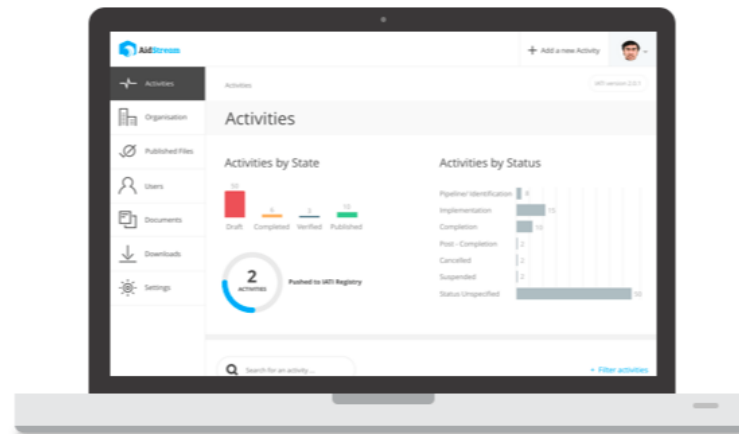
Decision Number 2007 / 019-615 - Global commitment for global in-country calls for proposal - Objective 1- PVD Projects - Non State Actors
Registration date 10/12/2008
Procurement reference
Delegation in charge NG - Nigeria
Confidential contract No
Person in charge
Entity in charge
Contract title Sustainable Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) Project
Description Overall Objective
Improvement in health of rural populations through reduction of water-borne and environmental communicable diseases in 4 LGAs within Ebonyi and Cross River States of Nigeria.
Comment
Commitment type RG - Individual Legal commitment on GN
Block grant ? ☐
Zone benefitting from the action
Reference Central Archives

Not all can produce this way

Effortlessly publish your Aid data in IATI format

AidStream is an online platform for organisations that wish to publish aid data in accordance with the International Aid Transparency Initiative(IATI) format but want to avoid dealing with the complexities of creating XML.

Get Started



Data quality is an ongoing task

File validation report

European Commission - Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development

IATI version: 2.03 | Type: iati-activities

Filters

View by message type

Click to show or hide individual message types.

Errors: 12 types



Warnings: 2 types



View by category

161 x Participating organisations



118 x Financial



22 x Identification



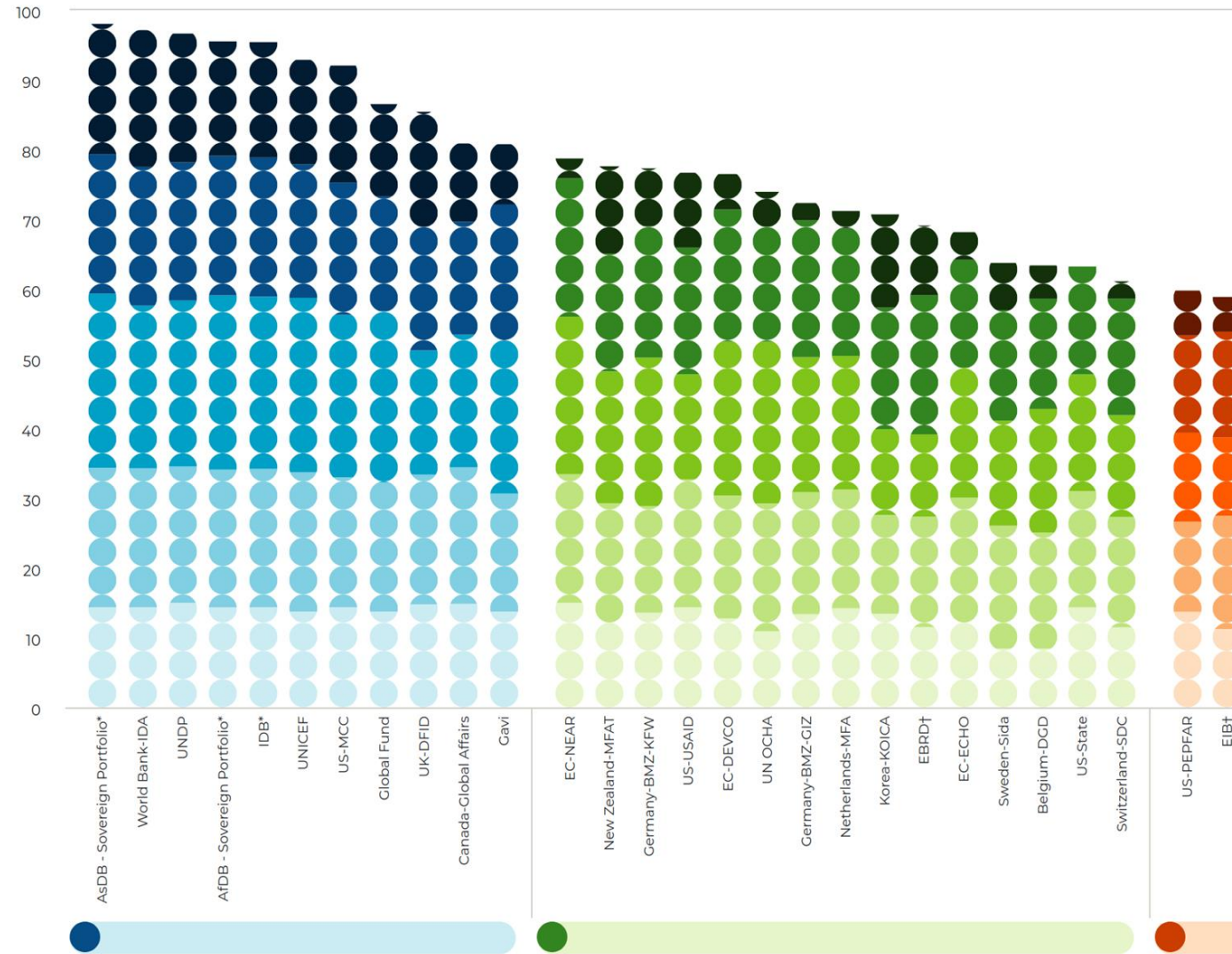
82 x Classifications



14 x Basic activity information

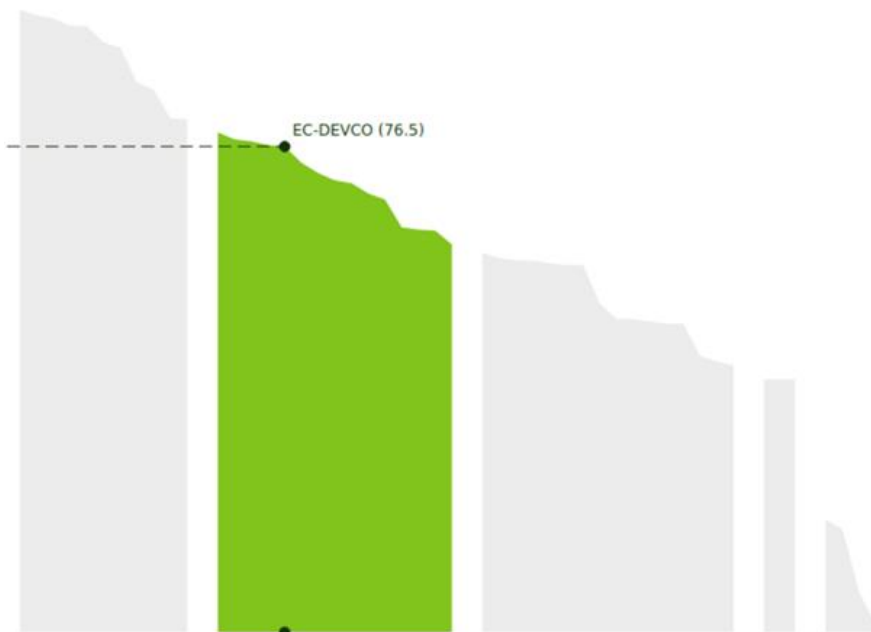


Scrutiny can help with data quality



Improvements will take time

European Commission, Directorate-General Development and Cooperation (DEVCO)



SCORE: 76.5

POSITION: 16/47

2020 **GOOD**

OVERVIEW

The Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (EC-DEVCO) is responsible for formulating European Commission (EC) development policy and implementing European Union development cooperation worldwide. EC-DEVCO manages a number of financing instruments, most notably the Development Cooperation Instrument and the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights. The EC became an IATI member in 2008. EC-DEVCO began publishing to IATI in October 2011 and convenes an internal EC working group on improving IATI publication.

2018
GOOD

2016
GOOD

2015
GOOD

2014
GOOD

2013
FAIR

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Using IATI data

Taking a look at the various parts of IATI data

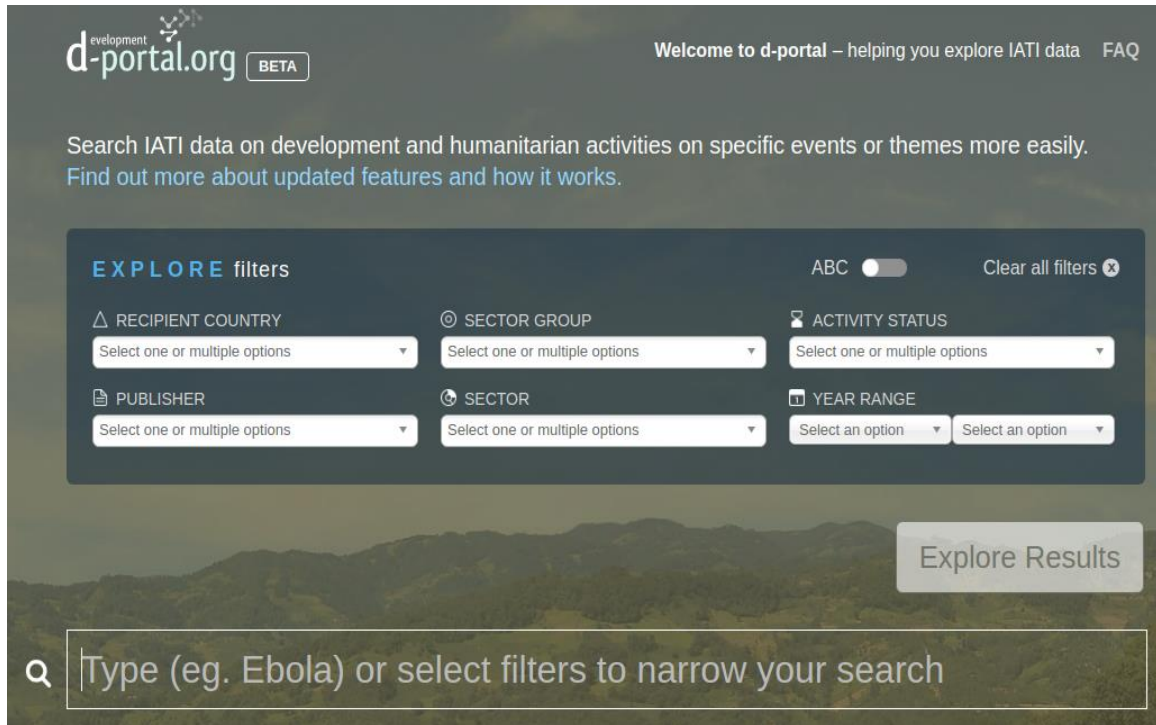
Five guided tours

Today we will visit:

- A specific IATI **publisher**
- A **country** & theme
- IATI **financial** data
- IATI **document** links
- IATI **results** data



We will use d-portal.org today



The screenshot shows the d-portal.org website. At the top left is the logo 'development d-portal.org BETA'. To the right is the text 'Welcome to d-portal – helping you explore IATI data' and a link to 'FAQ'. Below this is a search instruction: 'Search IATI data on development and humanitarian activities on specific events or themes more easily. Find out more about updated features and how it works.' The main section is titled 'EXPLORE filters' and contains several dropdown menus: 'RECIPIENT COUNTRY', 'SECTOR GROUP', 'ACTIVITY STATUS', 'PUBLISHER', 'SECTOR', and 'YEAR RANGE'. There are also buttons for 'ABC', 'Clear all filters', and 'Explore Results'. At the bottom is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Type (eg. Ebola) or select filters to narrow your search'.

d-portal:

- Provided by the IATI secretariat
- Uses all IATI data
- Updates every day
- Is quick and easy

<http://d-portal.org>

D-portal has filters & search across all IATI

The screenshot displays the d-portal.org search interface. At the top, the logo 'development d-portal.org' is accompanied by a 'BETA' badge. A search bar contains the text 'COVID-19'. To the right of the search bar are links for 'Search IATI data on development and humanitarian activities easily' and 'FAQ'. Below the search bar, a 'Quick search' button is visible. The main section is titled 'EXPLORE filters' and contains a grid of filter categories, each with a dropdown menu. The filters are organized into three columns. The first column includes Recipient Country, Publisher, Policy Marker, Humanitarian Activity, Document Category, Related Activity Type, and Default Finance Type. The second column includes Sector Group, Sector, Participating Org, Humanitarian Scope Vocab, Transaction Type, Collaboration Type, and Default Aid Type. The third column includes Activity Status, Year Range, Result Type, Tag Vocabulary, Total Outgoing Commitment (with Minimum and Maximum sub-selects), Default Flow Type, and Default Tied Status. A 'MORE FILTERS' button is located between the first and second columns. At the bottom right, there is an 'Explore Results' button. A search bar at the very bottom of the page contains the text 'Type (eg. COVID-19 or Activity ID) or select filters to narrow your search'.

development d-portal.org BETA

Search IATI data on development and humanitarian activities easily FAQ

Quick search COVID-19

GLOSSARY

EXPLORE filters

ABC Clear all filters

Recipient Country Select one or multiple options

Publisher Select one or multiple options

Sector Group Select one or multiple options

Sector Select one or multiple options

Activity Status Select one or multiple options

Year Range Select an option Select an option

MORE FILTERS

Policy Marker Select one or multiple options

Humanitarian Activity Select one or multiple options

Document Category Select one or multiple options

Related Activity Type Select one or multiple options

Default Finance Type Select one or multiple options

Participating Org Select one or multiple options

Humanitarian Scope Vocab Select one or multiple options

Transaction Type Select one or multiple options

Collaboration Type Select one or multiple options

Default Aid Type Select one or multiple options

Result Type Select one or multiple options

Tag Vocabulary Select one or multiple options

Total Outgoing Commitment Minimum Maximum

Default Flow Type Select one or multiple options

Default Tied Status Select one or multiple options

Explore Results

Type (eg. COVID-19 or Activity ID) or select filters to narrow your search

For each tour

- I'll show you an example from an organisation I've worked with
- You'll find similar (hopefully)
- We can share observations (if we have time)
- Be careful of distractions!

<http://d-portal.org>



Tour 1: A specific publisher

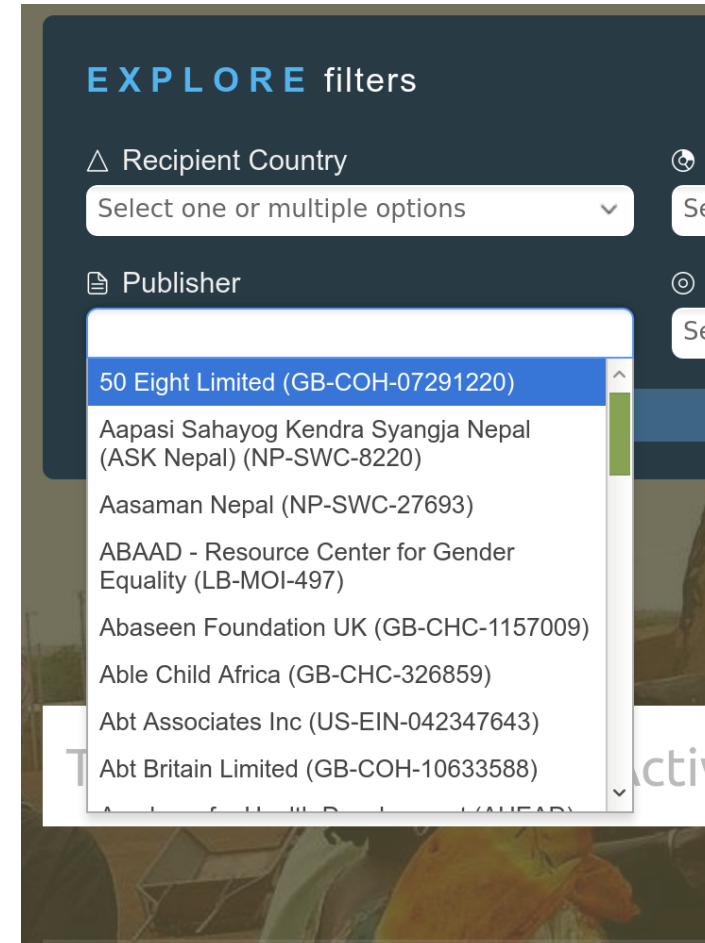
Looking at the IATI data on one organisation

Example: African Development Bank



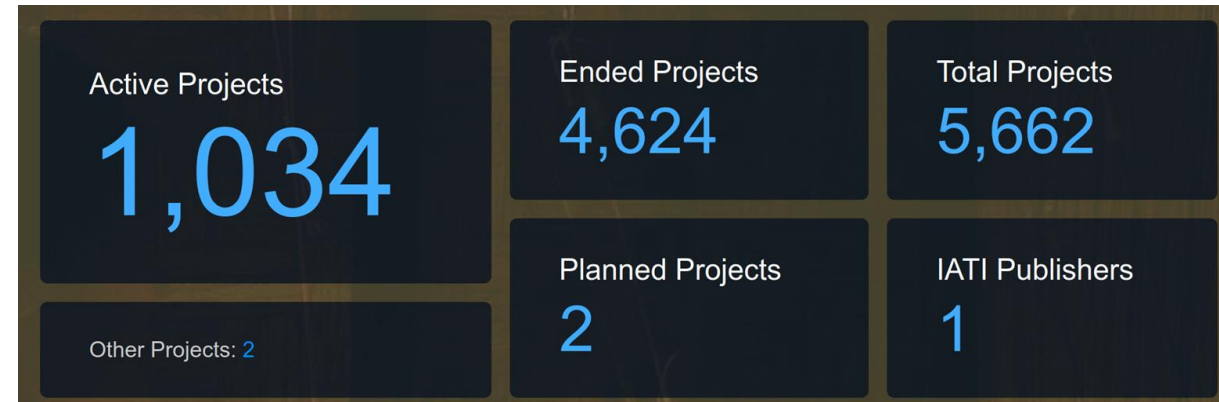
From the Publisher dropdown

- Select an organisation you are interested in
- Wait for the results
- Click “Explore Results”



Organisation: What do you notice?

- What do you notice about the number of activities?
- Are the graphs and tables of interest?
- Is there a map?
- Are projects “ending soon”?



Organisation: country / sector funding

- Click on the graphs for the country or sector
- This gives you a breakdown of funding
- You can sort any column by clicking on it
- A spreadsheet can also be downloaded

Oxfam Novib

About IATI Publisher | About this data | About data quality

Funding went to 69 countries (2017-2019)

↓ CSV

COUNTRY	IATI SPEND (USD)			IATI BUDGET (USD)	
NAME	2017	2018	2019	2019 allocated	2019 total
Netherlands	18,786,900	20,633,200	17,704,000	2,136,620	0
Nigeria	12,259,900	16,576,800	9,073,470	1,317,290	0
Uganda	14,166,300	14,728,300	9,085,300	4,325,750	0
Palestine, State of	8,860,800	14,163,200	11,565,400	2,630,690	0

Organisation: example activity

- Click on an activity that is “ending soon”
- This takes you to the activity page
- This holds all the details on that project

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PROJECT TITLE VERSION 2.03

Promoting Economic Rights of PWDs

REPORTED BY **Oxfam Novib** NL-KVK-27108436 International NGO

ACTIVITY SCOPE	COLLABORATION TYPE	AID TYPE	FINANCE TYPE	FLOW TYPE	TIED STATUS	HIERARCHY
		Project-type interventions C01	Standard grant 110	Private Development Finance 30	Untied	2

IATI IDENTIFIER **NL-KVK-27108436-A-05248-09:PH**

[VIEW XML](#) [VIEW JSON](#) [VIEW DATASET LOGS](#) [VIEW IATI REGISTRY DATASET](#) [DOWNLOAD CSV](#)

DOCUMENTS (1)

Atlas project browser APPLICATION/HTTP
EN 2015-12-11 Activity web page

PLANNED START DATE	2018-12-01	PLANNED END DATE	2020-11-30
ACTUAL START DATE	2018-12-01	ACTUAL END DATE	2020-11-30

ACTIVITY STATUS: Implementation
The activity is currently being implemented

Also possible: text search

- The text box will search across all activities
- It can be useful for organisations with unique names/acronyms
- This will also return data *not* published by that organisation
 - Useful to see where orgs are cited



Tour 2: Country & sector

Broad searches across different publishers

Example: Agricultural Research in Mali

EXPLORE filters

△ Recipient Country
Mali (ML) ×

🌐 Sector Group
Select one or multiple options

📄 Publisher
Select one or multiple options

© Sector
Agricultural research (31182) ×

MORE FILTERS

Found 61 activities

Example: Agriculture in Mali & Burkina Faso

EXPLORE filters

△ Recipient Country

Mali (ML) × Burkina Faso (BF) ×

🌐 Sector Group

Agriculture (311) ×

📄 Publisher

Select one or multiple options

🌐 Sector

Select one or multiple options

MORE FILTERS

Found 1,804 activities

Country & sector filters

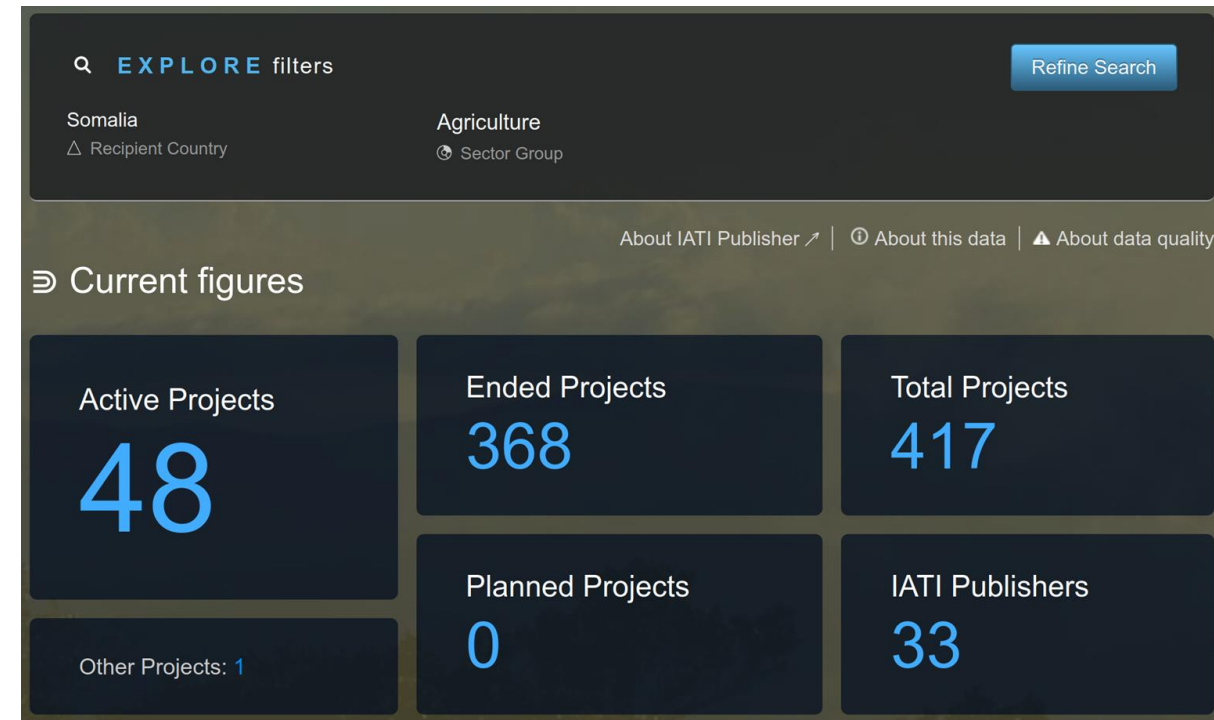
- In the same way we did for a publisher, use the filters to select a country and a sector
- A broad “sector group” and/or a more specific “sector” can be selected (these are based on OECD DAC)
- What do you see for your selection?

The screenshot shows the d-portal.org interface with the following elements:

- Header:** d-portal.org BETA, Search IATI data on development and humanitarian activities easily, FAQ, GLOSSARY.
- Quick search:** COVID-19
- EXPLORE filters:**
 - Recipient Country:** Somalia (SO) x
 - Publisher:** Select one or multiple options
 - Sector Group:** Action relating to debt (600), Administrative costs of donors (910), Agriculture (311), Banking and financial services (240), Basic education (112), Basic health (122), Business and other services (250), Communication (220), Conflict prevention and resolution, peace and security (152)
 - Activity Status:** Select one or multiple options
 - Year Range:** Select an option, Select an option
- Results:** Found 9,304 activities
- Buttons:** ABC, Clear all filters, Explore Results

Country & sector data

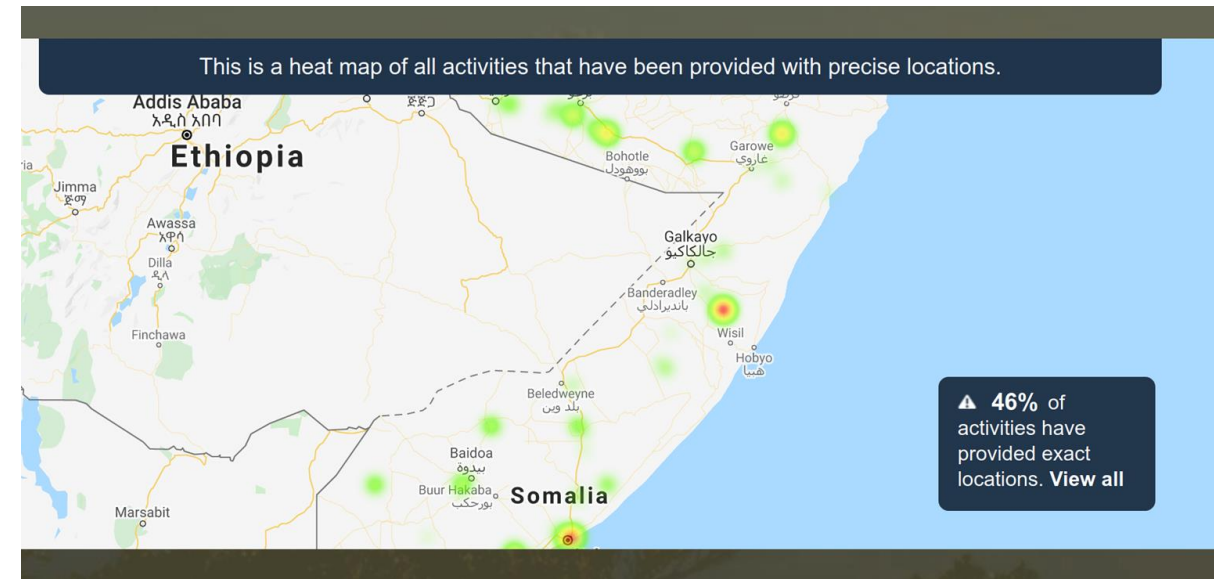
- Again, we get a similar screen to a publisher
- This time there are multiple publishers
- How many publishers cover your country & sector



Country & sector map

- We should also get a map with dots
- The specific dots will locations that have been provided by the publisher
- These may represent places of delivery or implementation
- They may also just be arbitrary dots!

What do you find?



Tour 3: IATI financial data

Seeing financial flows

Example: IPPF

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

INCOMING COMMITMENT (1)

INCOMING FUNDS (31)

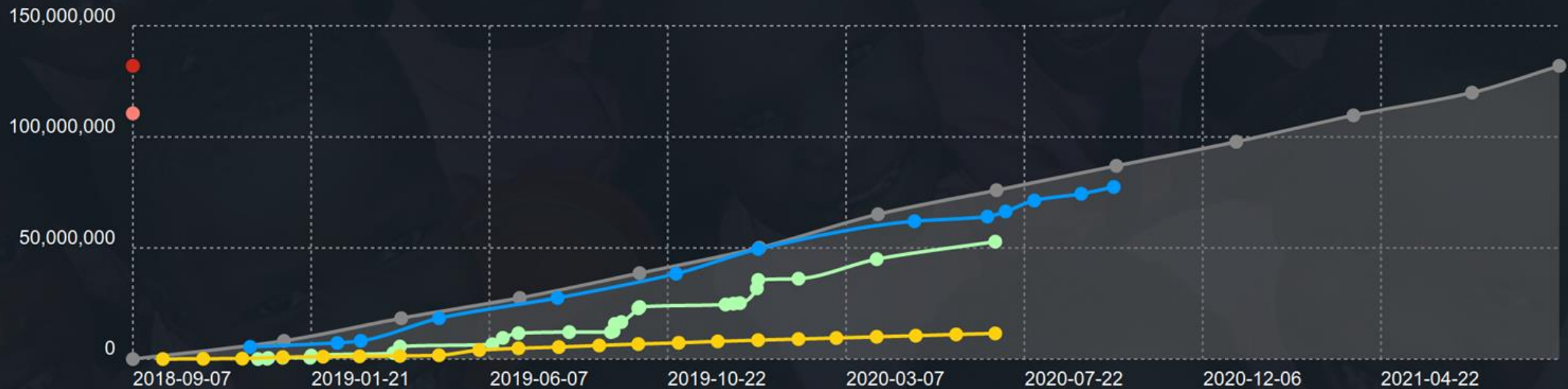
OUTGOING COMMITMENT (15)

DISBURSEMENT (109)

EXPENDITURE (41)

BUDGET (12)

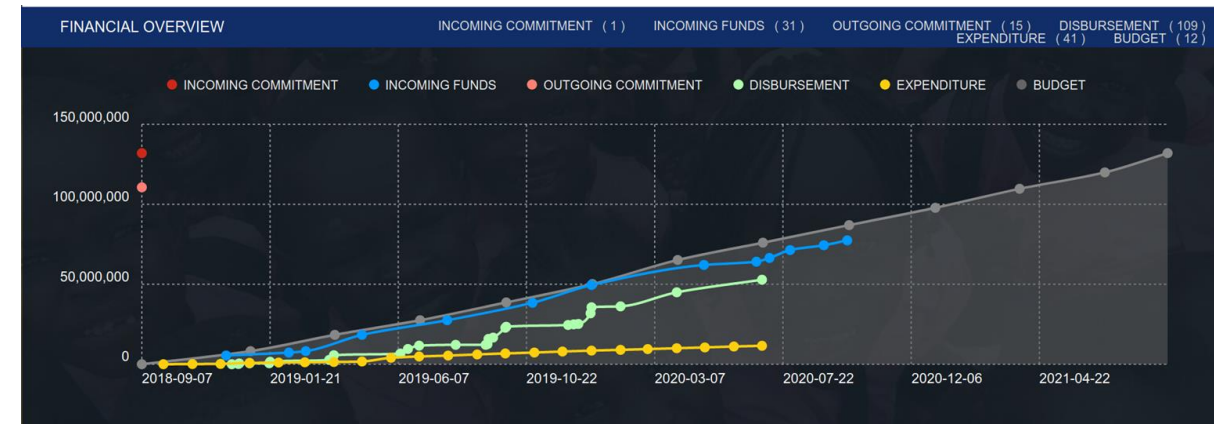
INCOMING COMMITMENT INCOMING FUNDS OUTGOING COMMITMENT DISBURSEMENT EXPENDITURE BUDGET



Types of financial data

Any IATI activity can include

- **Budget** data - the broad value for the lifetime of the project
- **Transactions** - 13 different types of transactions
 - Transactions are not like a bank statement - they represent “flows” in and out of an activity

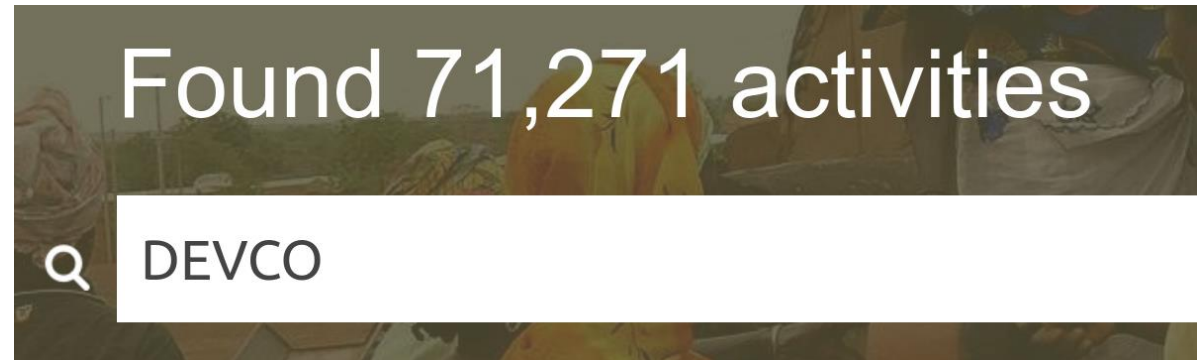


Main transaction types

Code	Name	Description
1	Incoming Funds	Funds recieved for use on the activity, which can be from an external or internal source.
2	Outgoing Commitment	A firm, written obligation from a donor or provider to provide a specified amount of funds, under particular terms and conditions, for specific purposes, for the benefit of the recipient.
3	Disbursement	Outgoing funds that are placed at the disposal of a recipient government or organisation, or funds transferred between two separately reported activities.
4	Expenditure	Outgoing funds that are spent on goods and services for the activity.
5	Interest Payment	The actual amount of interest paid on a loan or line of credit, including fees.
6	Loan Repayment	The actual amount of principal (amortisation) repaid, including any arrears.
11	Incoming Commitment	A firm, written obligation from a donor or provider to provide a specified amount of funds, under particular terms and conditions, reported by a recipient for this activity.
12	Outgoing Pledge	Indicative, non-binding advice of an intended outgoing commitment.
13	Incoming Pledge	Indicative, non-binding advice of an intended incoming commitment.

Find a Project you know

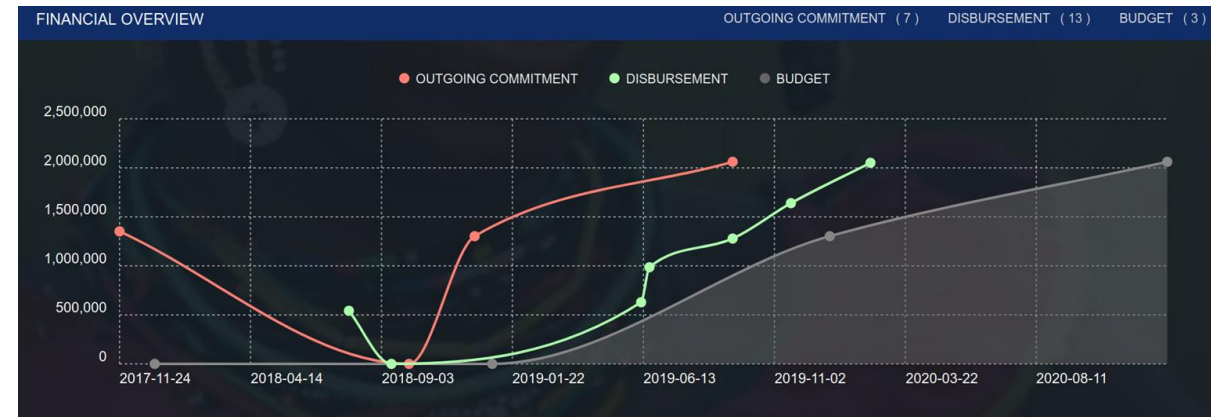
- Use your new skills in search & filters
- Try to find a project you know of
- How is the financial part of IATI looking?



Transaction graphs

- Depending on the activity and publisher, the volume & veracity of transactions will vary
- D-portal does visualise transactions on a graph
- This can be both helpful, and sometimes misleading

What did you find?



Transaction searching

- Transactions can be searched for by type, and value (of commitments)
- Try to search for activities in a country that have an outgoing commitment over 1 million USD
- Filter further by inclusion of transaction type(s)

The screenshot displays the 'EXPLORE filters' interface, which is a dark-themed dashboard for searching transactions. At the top, there's a header with 'EXPLORE filters' on the left, 'ABC' and a toggle switch in the center, and 'Clear all filters' with a close icon on the right. Below the header, the filters are organized into a grid. The first row includes 'Recipient Country' (set to 'Afghanistan (AF)' with a close icon), 'Sector Group' (placeholder: 'Select one or multiple options'), and 'Activity Status' (placeholder: 'Select one or multiple options'). The second row includes 'Publisher' (placeholder: 'Select one or multiple options'), 'Sector' (placeholder: 'Select one or multiple options'), and 'Year Range' (two dropdowns: 'Select an option' and 'Select an option'). A blue bar labeled 'MORE FILTERS' separates the top row from the bottom section. The bottom section contains 12 filters arranged in a 4x3 grid. The first column includes 'Policy Marker', 'Humanitarian Activity', 'Document Category', 'Related Activity Type', and 'Default Finance Type', all with placeholder text. The second column includes 'Participating Org', 'Humanitarian Scope Vocab', 'Transaction Type' (set to 'Incoming Commitment (11)' with a close icon), 'Collaboration Type', and 'Default Aid Type', all with placeholder text. The third column includes 'Result Type', 'Tag Vocabulary', 'Total Outgoing Commitment' (set to '1 Million USD' with a close icon and a 'Maximum' dropdown), 'Default Flow Type', and 'Default Tied Status', all with placeholder text.

Tour 4: Documents

Accessing contextual information

Example: Gavi

PROJECT TITLE

VERSION 2.03

Rwanda: Inactivated Polio Vaccine

Rwanda (le): Vaccin inactivé antipolio

REPORTED BY **Gavi, The Vaccine Alliance** 47122 **Multilateral**

ACTIVITY SCOPE	COLLABORATION TYPE	AID TYPE	FINANCE TYPE	FLOW TYPE	TIED STATUS	HIERARCHY
National 4	Multilateral (inflows) 2	Project-type interventions C01	Standard grant 110	ODA 10	Untied	2

IATI IDENTIFIER **47122-RWA-IPV**

VIEW XML

VIEW JSON

VIEW DATASET LOGS

VIEW IATI REGISTRY DATASET

DOWNLOAD CSV

DOCUMENTS (11)

Proposal for NVS - IPV support: Rwanda

APPLICATION/VND.OPENXMLFORMATS-OFFICEDOCUMENT.WORDPROCESSINGML.DOCUMENT

EN Pre- and post-project impact appraisal Objectives / Purpose of activity Intended ultimate beneficiaries

Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)

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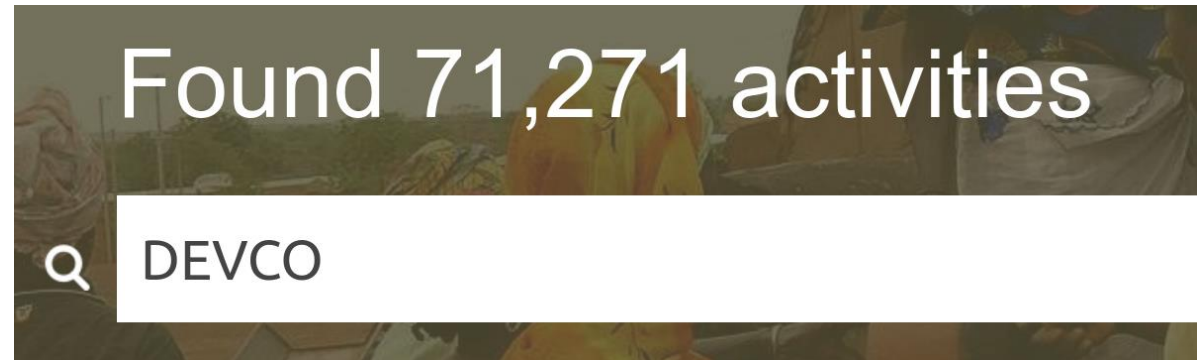
Documents: adding context and background

- Not everything can be converted into data
- Documents are vital to understanding any IATI activity
- There are 30 different types of document classifications
- Documents are provided as links - they are not uploaded in IATI data

Code	Name
A01	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal
A02	Objectives / Purpose of activity
A03	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
A04	Conditions
A05	Budget
A06	Summary information about contract
A07	Review of project performance and evaluation
A08	Results, outcomes and outputs
A09	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)
A10	Tender
A11	Contract
A12	Activity web page

In the Project you know...

- What type of documents did you find?
- What happened when you clicked on them?
- Were they interesting?
- Were they relevant to the activity?



Finding IATI documents

D-portal enables a filter on document category

- Again, use the country and/or sector filter to narrow your results
- How many documents do you find?

EXPLORE filters

△ Recipient Country
Benin (BJ) x

📄 Publisher
Select one or multiple options

↔ Policy Marker
Select one or multiple options

↔ Humanitarian Activity
Select one or multiple options

↔ Document Category

- Activity web page (A12)
- Aid Allocation Policy (B04)
- Annual report (B01)
- Budget (A05)
- Conditions (A04)
- Contract (A11)
- Country Audit Report (B07)
- Country Evaluation Report (B10)
- Country strategy paper (B03)
- Country-level Memorandum of

Documents will vary

- The range of documents available will always range according to the publisher and activity
- Some activities may include lots of documents
- What's the most you found?
- Were any documents of interest?

DOCUMENTS (21)				
☰	Proposal for NVS - Rota, MR routine and catch-up campaign 2017: Benin	APPLICATION/VND.OPENXMLFORMATS-OFFICEDOCUMENT.WORDPROCESSINGML.DOCUMENT		
EN	2017-12-31	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal	Objectives / Purpose of activity	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)			
☰	Proposal for NVS - Rota, MR routine and catch-up campaign 2017: Benin	APPLICATION/VND.OPENXMLFORMATS-OFFICEDOCUMENT.WORDPROCESSINGML.DOCUMENT		
EN	2017-12-31	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal	Objectives / Purpose of activity	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)			
☰	Proposal for NVS - Rota, MR routine and catch-up campaign 2017: Benin	APPLICATION/VND.OPENXMLFORMATS-OFFICEDOCUMENT.WORDPROCESSINGML.DOCUMENT		
EN	2017-12-31	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal	Objectives / Purpose of activity	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)			
☰	Proposal for NVS - Rota, MR routine and catch-up campaign 2017: Benin [Français]	APPLICATION/MSWORD		
FR	2017-12-31	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal	Objectives / Purpose of activity	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)			
☰	Proposal for NVS - Rota, MR routine and catch-up campaign 2017: Benin [Français]	APPLICATION/PDF		
FR	2017-12-31	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal	Objectives / Purpose of activity	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)			
☰	Proposal for NVS - Rota, MR routine and catch-up campaign 2017: Benin [Français]	APPLICATION/PDF		
FR	2017-12-31	Pre- and post-project impact appraisal	Objectives / Purpose of activity	Intended ultimate beneficiaries
	Memorandum of understanding (If agreed by all parties)			

Tour 5: Results data

Finding impacts, outcomes & outputs

Example: Yes I Do Zambia

OUTPUT

INDICATOR

2000 Capacity training for communities or families

INDICATOR

Number of community members trained in protection and health related service delivery (specify)

Training of health workers (including health facility staff, community based distributors and matrons and patrons that guide youth health clubs) in ASRHR

REFERENCE

VOCAB CODE

Reporting Organisation 99

PW3.PZ1.2000.1.4.

FACET

BASELINE

TARGET

ACTUAL

%

PERIOD

Unit

Unit

No dimension has been provided
No location has been provided

2016

0.00

100.00

99.00

99%

2017-01-01 : 2017-12-31

No dimension has been provided
No location has been provided

2016

0.00

20.00

21.00

100%

2018-01-01 : 2018-12-31

No dimension has been provided
No location has been provided

2016

0.00

Not provided

36.00

N/A

2019-01-01 : 2019-12-31

No dimension has been provided
Location = Chadiza & Petauke

Not provided

35.00

Not provided

N/A

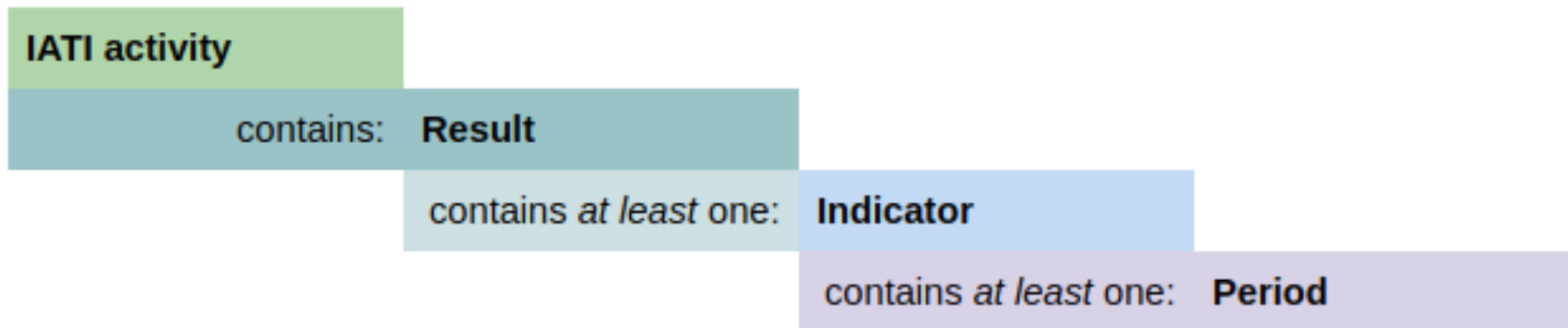
2019-01-01 : 2019-12-31

Results data across networks

Royal Tropical Institute (KIT)	Rutgers	CHOICE for Youth and Sexuality	Amref Flying Doctors
<i>publish:</i>	<i>publish:</i>	<i>publish:</i>	<i>publish:</i>
Yes I Do - Kenya Yes I Do Ethiopia Yes I Do Malawi Yes I Do - Mozambique Yes I Do - Zambia Yes I Do Indonesia Yes I Do - Pakistan	Yes I Do Malawi Yes I do Ethiopia Yes I do Zambia Yes I do Indonesia Yes I Do Kenya Yes I Do Pakistan	Yes I Do - Kenya Yes I Do - Ethiopia Yes I Do - Indonesia Yes I Do - Malawi Yes I Do - Zambia Yes I Do - Mozambique	Yes I Do Malawi Yes I do Ethiopia Yes I Do Kenya
<i>which links up to their own activity</i>	<i>which links up to their own activity</i>	<i>which links up to their own activity</i>	<i>which links up to their own activity</i>
Yes I Do - Netherlands	Yes I Do	Yes I Do	Yes I do Alliance
	<i>which all link to:</i>		
	Yes I Do Alliance Program	<i>published by:</i>	Plan International Netherlands
	<i>which links to:</i>		
	SRGR Partnerschap Fonds Plan	<i>published by:</i>	Netherlands - Ministry of Foreign Affairs

IATI results data help to outputs & outcomes

How results are structured in IATI:



Not all organisations publish results

To quickly find some, use the “More filters” of d-portal

- Select the result type you are looking for
- Filter further by country / sector

The screenshot displays the 'EXPLORE filters' section of the d-portal. At the top, there is a 'Quick search' bar with 'COVID-19' entered. To the right of the search bar are links for 'GLOSSARY', 'ABC', and 'Clear all filters'. The filters are organized into a grid:

- Recipient Country:** Angola (AO) x
- Sector Group:** Select one or multiple options
- Activity Status:** Select one or multiple options
- Publisher:** Select one or multiple options
- Sector:** Select one or multiple options
- Year Range:** Select an option (two dropdowns)

A 'MORE FILTERS' section is expanded, showing additional filters:

- Policy Marker:** Select one or multiple options
- Participating Org:** Select one or multiple options
- Result Type:** Outcome (2) x
- Humanitarian Activity:** Select one or multiple options
- Humanitarian Scope Vocab:** Select one or multiple options
- Tag Vocabulary:** Select one or multiple options
- Document Category:** Select one or multiple options
- Transaction Type:** Select one or multiple options
- Total Outgoing Commitment:** Minimum (dropdown), Maximum (dropdown)
- Related Activity Type:** Select one or multiple options
- Collaboration Type:** Select one or multiple options
- Default Flow Type:** Select one or multiple options
- Default Finance Type:** Select one or multiple options
- Default Aid Type:** Select one or multiple options
- Default Tied Status:** Select one or multiple options

Results will vary

Find some activities that have result data

- Take a look at the range of indicators and results types
- Some results might be “qualitative” and so not visible
- Others may be related to the target that was set

OUTPUT						INDICATOR (1)
INDICATOR						
Number of subprojects under investment in production completed						
FACET	BASELINE	TARGET	ACTUAL	%	PERIOD	
		Unit	Unit			
No dimension has been provided No location has been provided	2016 0.00	300.00	266.00	88%	2016-01-30 : 2021-12-31	

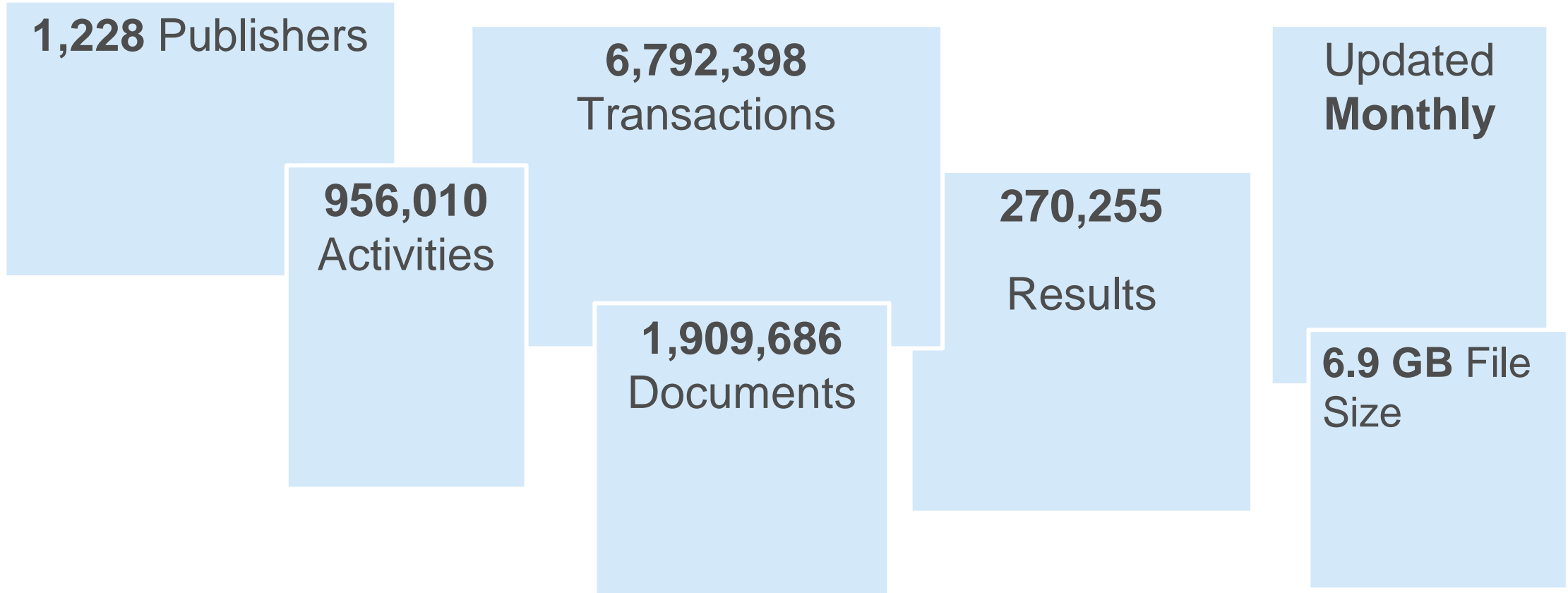
OUTPUT						INDICATOR (1)
Intermediate Results Indicator						
INDICATOR						
Number of subprojects engaged in post-harvest management and value addition activities completed						
FACET	BASELINE	TARGET	ACTUAL	%	PERIOD	
		Unit	Unit			
No dimension has been provided No location has been provided	2016 0.00	200.00	9.00	4%	2016-01-30 : 2021-12-31	

OUTCOME						INDICATOR (1)
PDO Indicator						
INDICATOR						
Average crop yields (food crops: maize, cassava, beans, and Irish potatoes; horticulture: cabbage and tomato)						
FACET	BASELINE	TARGET	ACTUAL	%	PERIOD	
		Unit	Unit			
No dimension has been provided No location has been provided	2016 0.00	0.00	0.00	100%	2016-01-30 : 2021-12-31	

Quiz time again!

To help us further chart the scope of IATI, we're now going to do an interactive quiz!

The size of IATI



IATI data uses

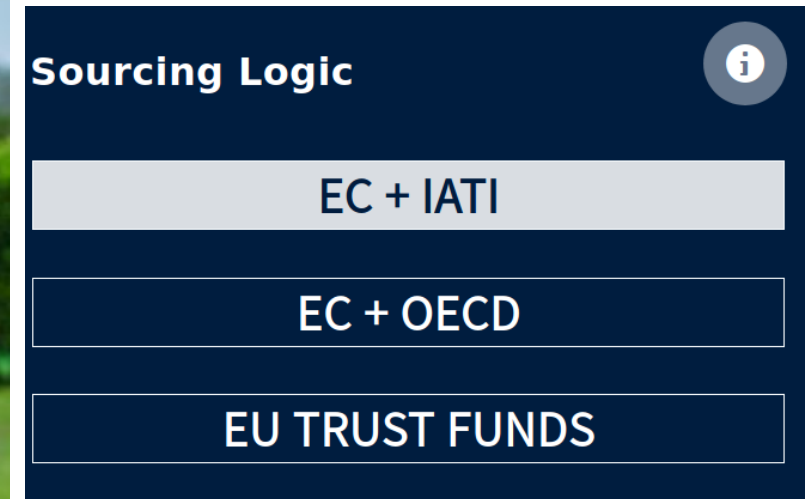
Ways in which IATI data is used

XML dataset vs tools

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      <narrative>Number of people trained</narrative>
    </title>
    <baseline year="2014" value="0"/>
    <period>
      <period-start iso-date="2016-01-01"/>
      <period-end iso-date="2016-12-31"/>
      <target value="T.B.D."/>
    </period>
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    <period>
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      <period-end iso-date="2016-12-31"/>
      <target value="T.B.D."/>
    </period>
  </indicator>
</dataset>
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    <narrative>Partners have access to Akvo BSR</narrative>
  </title>
  <indicator measure="1" ascending="1">
    <title>
      <narrative>Number of projects online</narrative>
    </title>
    <baseline year="2014" value="0"/>
    <period>
      <period-start iso-date="2016-01-01"/>
      <period-end iso-date="2016-12-31"/>
      <target value="T.B.D."/>
    </period>
  </indicator>
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      <narrative>Number of partners using Akvo BSR</narrative>
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    <period>
      <period-start iso-date="2016-01-01"/>
      <period-end iso-date="2016-12-31"/>
      <target value="T.B.D."/>
    </period>
  </indicator>
</result>
```

The screenshot shows the Akvo BSR project page for the 'Child Labour Free Zone Project' in Mali. The page includes a header with navigation links (All projects, All updates, All organisations), a project title, and a 'Share' button. Below the title is a 'Mail Share Map' link. The main content area has tabs for 'Summary', 'Full report', 'Project partners', 'Finances', and 'Results'. A 'Project image' placeholder is visible. The 'PROJECT SUMMARY' section describes the project's goal to help parents (ab)use children (young girls and boys) for the collection/planting of Shea nuts and dates in the very early morning under the moonlight. It mentions that these young children work in dangerous conditions, often in the rain, and that the project aims to improve their lives by providing them with training and resources. The 'STATUS' section shows the project is in 'Implementation' phase, with 'START DATE (PLANNED)' set for 01-Nov-2016 and 'END DATE (PLANNED)' set for 31-Dec-2018. The 'PRIMARY ORGANISATION' is listed as 'ECO-Cooperation' with 2 partners. The 'Background' section discusses child labor in Mali, noting that it occurs in all sectors of the economy, especially in agriculture, and that children are engaged in various forms of child labor, including child soldiers in militias and dangerous activities in agriculture. It also mentions that children work as domestic servants, which may require them to work long hours and perform strenuous tasks without sufficient food.

EU Aid Explorer (Webinar 3rd December)

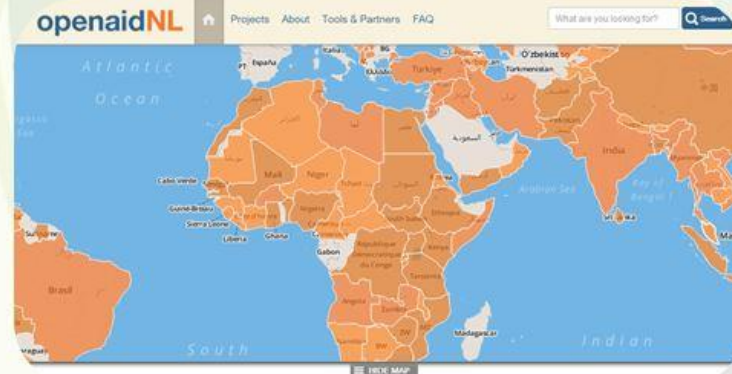


Donor transparency portals



devtracker.dfid.gov.uk


www.openaid.nl



www.openaid.se



Country portals


 AID TRANSPARENCY PORTAL

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ATP Public Portal


The ATP is the central repository for all aid information in Timor-Leste, and aims to improve aid transparency, accuracy and predictability and to ensure assistance provided is efficient and effective. The Ministry of Finance Development Partnership Management Unit oversees the ATP.



Total Commitments
2,504,750,180.77 M

Total Disbursements
2,212,995,976.34 M


Total Activities
1135


 **SEARCH ACTIVITIES**


Search Terms - search keywords within activities

Search

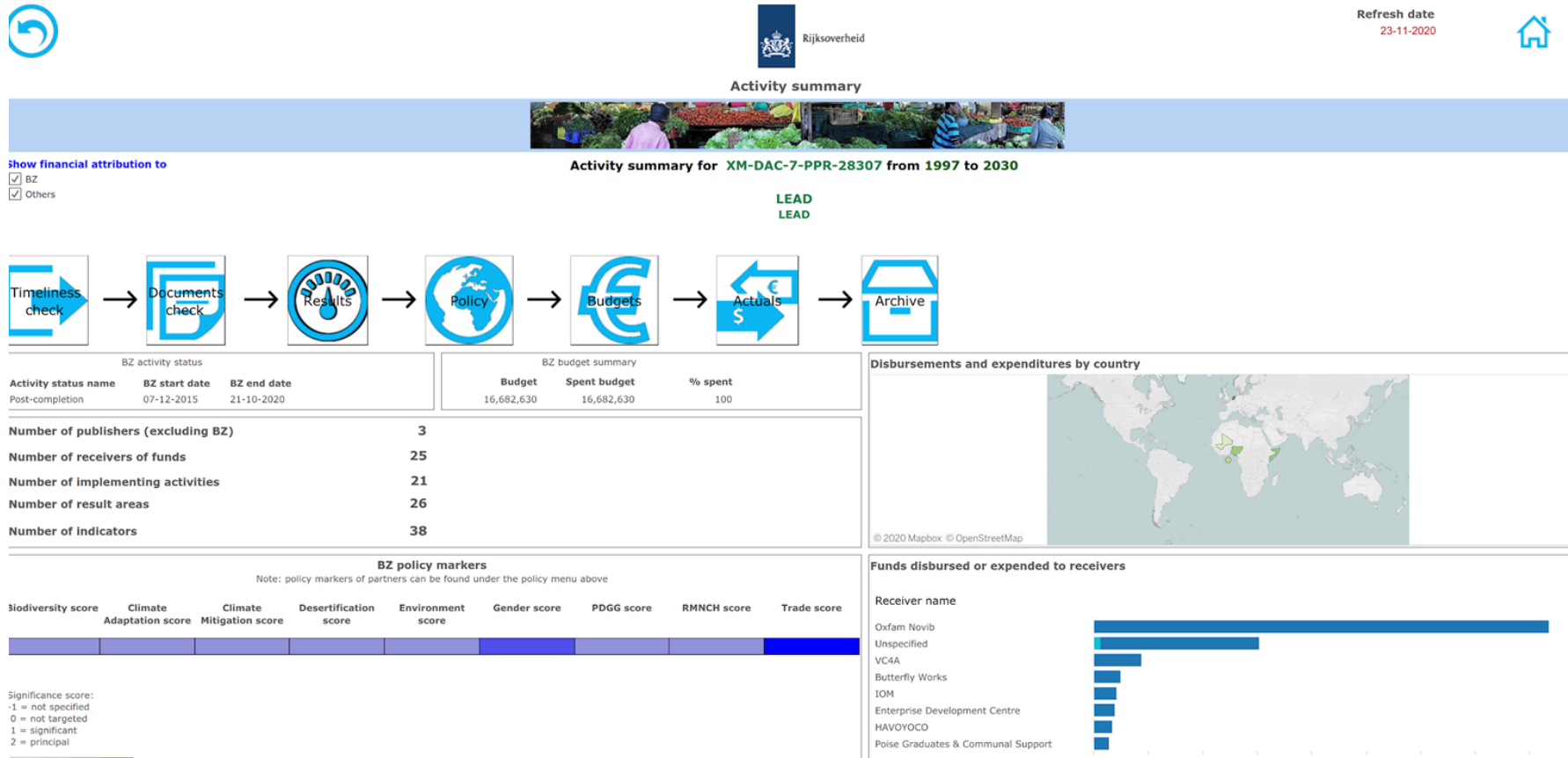
▼ more

 **EXPLORE THE MAP**



 **TOP 10 DONORS IN THE LAST YEAR**

Aid monitoring platforms



Aid Management Systems (eg Bangladesh)

Normally per quarter	12 hours	
This quarter	2.5 hours	
Future quarters	0.5 hours?	
Average detail by project	Before (manual)	After (IATI)
# of commitments	1.4	2.0
# of disbursements	5	13
# of sectors	0	2
# of locations	0	8
# of documents	0.7	6

Raw data

[HOME](#)[ABOUT](#)[QUERY BUILDER](#)[API DOCUMENTATION](#)

Query Builder

The Query Builder allows you to build common queries to obtain data from the IATI Datastore in CSV, XML and JSON format. For guidance on how to use the query builder, see the [Query Builder User Guide](#).



New tools

IATI Data Access

Excel-formatted IATI data

This site provides access to Excel-formatted data published according to the IATI Standard.

Access data files

Angola

[Download transactions file →](#)

Contains commitments, disbursements and expenditures

[Download budgets file →](#)

Contains forward-looking budget data

Last updated: 2020-11-26

Getting involved

Ways to get involved in IATI

Launching 30 Nov: IATI Connect

The screenshot shows the IATI Connect website homepage. The header includes the IATI logo (International Aid Transparency Initiative) and navigation links: 'About IATI Connect', 'Communities of Practice', and 'Explore'. There is also a search icon, a plus icon, an envelope icon, a group of people icon, a bell icon, and a language selection dropdown labeled 'Select your language'.

The main content area features a large hero section with the 'iati connect' logo and a background image of a hand reaching up towards a network of glowing nodes. Below the logo, the text reads: 'Welcome to IATI Connect' followed by 'IATI Connect is a global community engagement platform in the field of aid transparency. Are you ready to Connect?'. There are two buttons: 'About IATI Connect' and 'Go to your Profile'.

To the right of the hero section is a 'Highlight of the Week' box. It features a small image of hands reaching towards a bright light. Below the image, it says 'ONLINE' and 'Public'. The main text is 'IATI Connect and Communities of Practice Launch Event!'. The date and time are '30 Nov '20 14:00 - 15:30 (UTC)'. Below that, it says 'You have enrolled' and shows a count of '1'.

Below the hero section and the highlight box are three columns of content. The first column is titled 'Get Engaged' and has a button for 'Technical Community' and a link 'Input on the Technical Charter'. The second column is titled 'Get Connected' and has a button for 'Data Publishing Community' and a link 'Input on the Data Publishing Charter'. The third column is titled 'Get Inspired' and has a button for 'Data Use Community' and a link 'Input on the Data Use Charter'.

Use IATI

Check
your
projects

Use d-portal or
EU Aid Explorer
to see your data

Find
other
projects

Search for
projects in your
sector/country

Talk to
partners

Find out how
they use (or
could use) IATI

Engage
others

Try IATI
community
events

What next?

Lastly, let's return to the interactive quiz to see what you find most useful and challenging

Remember! IATI is for humans, not just machines!



Thank you



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