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# EC DEVCO A2: IATI workshop

## Key characteristics of good and useful IATI data

| Characteristic         | Description   |
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| <b>Timely</b>          | <p>IATI data is kept up-to-date and updated regularly.</p> <p>Example: <i>An organisation updates every three months, adding the previous quarter each time.</i></p>  |
| <b>Comprehensive</b>   | <p>IATI data represents a significant amount of activity.</p> <p>Example: <i>An organisation describes 100% of their activities via their IATI publication.</i></p>   |
| <b>Forward-looking</b> | <p>IATI data can be used for indicative purposes.</p> <p>Example: <i>An organisation publishes indicative country, organisation and activity budgets for the next three years, where possible.</i></p>                                |
| <b>Valid</b>           | <p>Data is valid in line with the IATI schema rules and common codelists.</p> <p>Example: <i>All the data from an organisation passes validation tests and utilises relevant codes from IATI codelists.</i></p>                       |
| <b>Comparable</b>      | <p>IATI data can be linked across publishers through common and shared references.</p> <p>Example: <i>An IATI publisher makes efforts to describe partnerships and linkages within their IATI publication.</i></p>                    |
| <b>Open</b>            | <p>IATI data is appropriately licensed and accessible.</p> <p>Example: <i>An organisation maintains a well-written and accessible page or website with their IATI data.</i></p>   |
| <b>Reflective</b>      | <p>IATI data fully represents how development cooperation is delivered.</p> <p>Example: <i>An organisation structures their programmes and projects into relevant activities, which are maintained in their IATI publication.</i></p> |
| <b>Sensitive</b>       | <p>IATI data is published in consideration of the context of development cooperation projects.</p> <p>Example: <i>An organisation maintains an exclusion policy and threshold for data.</i></p>                                       |