

SESSION 1: Opening Remarks

Henry Asor (NG), IATI Governing Board Chair 13 March 2023



Agenda (before lunch)

01 High-level opening remarks:

<u>Speaker</u>: Luc Bagur, Director, European Commission and

<u>Speaker</u>: **Engr. Nebeolisa Anako** (NG), Permanent Secretary, Budget and National Planning, Federal Ministry of Finance Budget and National Planning

- 02 Members vote on IATI Hosting Options (2023-2028)
- Membership Decision on IATI Hosting
 Arrangement (2023-2028)



Luc Bagur

Director for Sustainable Development Policy and Coordination

European Commission - *DG International Partnerships*



Engr. Nebeolisa Anako

Permanent Secretary

Government of Nigeria - Budget and National Planning, Federal Ministry of Finance Budget

and National Planning



SESSION 2 Membership Vote: IATI Hosting Arrangement (2023-2028)

Speaker: Joseph Barnes (UNICEF) Governing Board;

Election Buddy (Polling Open until 10:30am CET)

Recap of Day 1 discussion and overview of the bid:

- 1. Day 1 discussion on overview of the bid process
- 2. Next steps, voting and validation procedure (Chair's message)
- 3. Members vote on hosting options

Please look out for email! The single nominated voter for each organisation will receive a ballot by email from Election Buddy, entitled (IATI VOTE ON FUTURE HOSTING ARRANGEMENTS)!



Coffee Break (15 minutes)





SESSION 3 Membership Decision on IATI Hosting Arrangement (2023-2028)

Moderators: Henry Asor (NG) IATI Governing Board Chair; and, Charlie Martial Ngounou (AfroLeadership) IWG & Governing Board

Voting Results Discussion (Next Steps...)



- 1. Presentation of voting results on IATI hosting arrangements (2023-2028)
- 2. Discussion on voting outcome and feedback from members
- 3. Recognition of the outgoing consortium arrangement

Voting Results

56 ballots submitted of 81 eligible voters (2 spoiled, 2 opened) — 69%

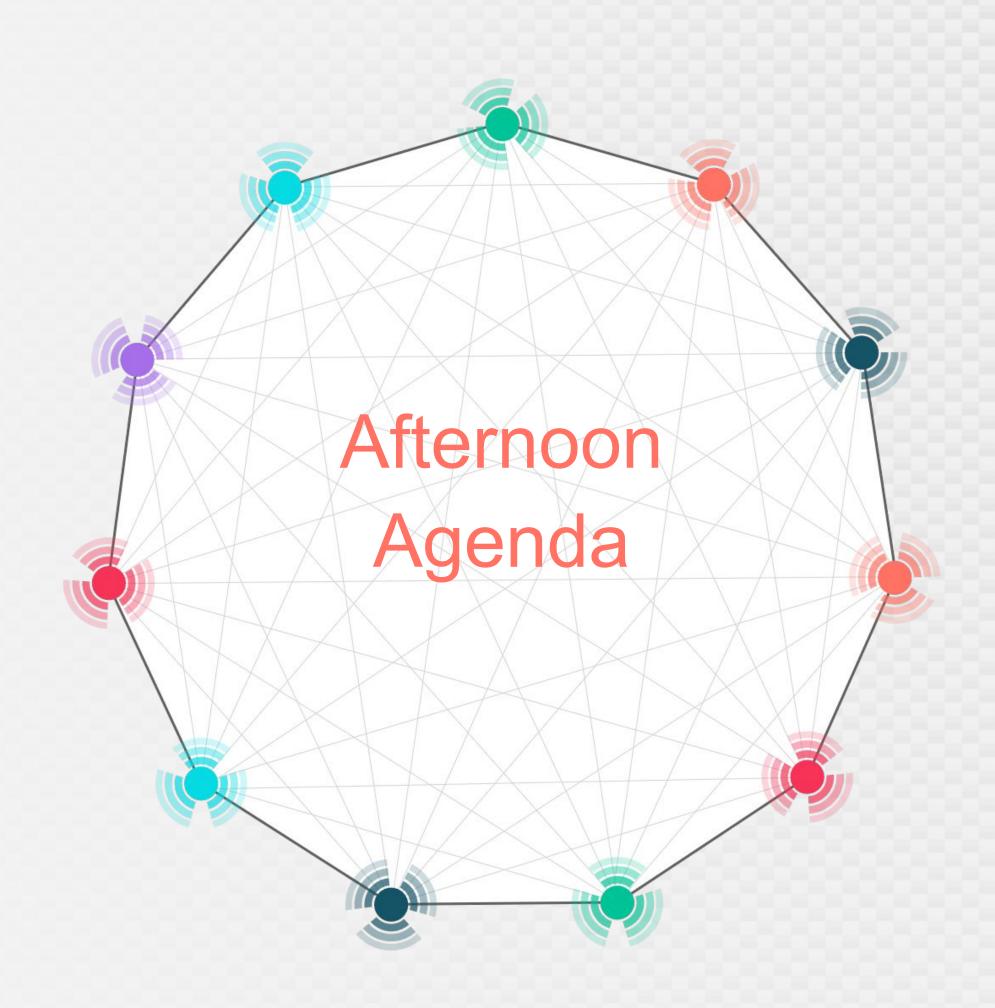
2 ballots added after the election started.

83 emails sent - 0 notices queued

Option 1	33 votes
Option 2	21 votes
Option 3	2 votes

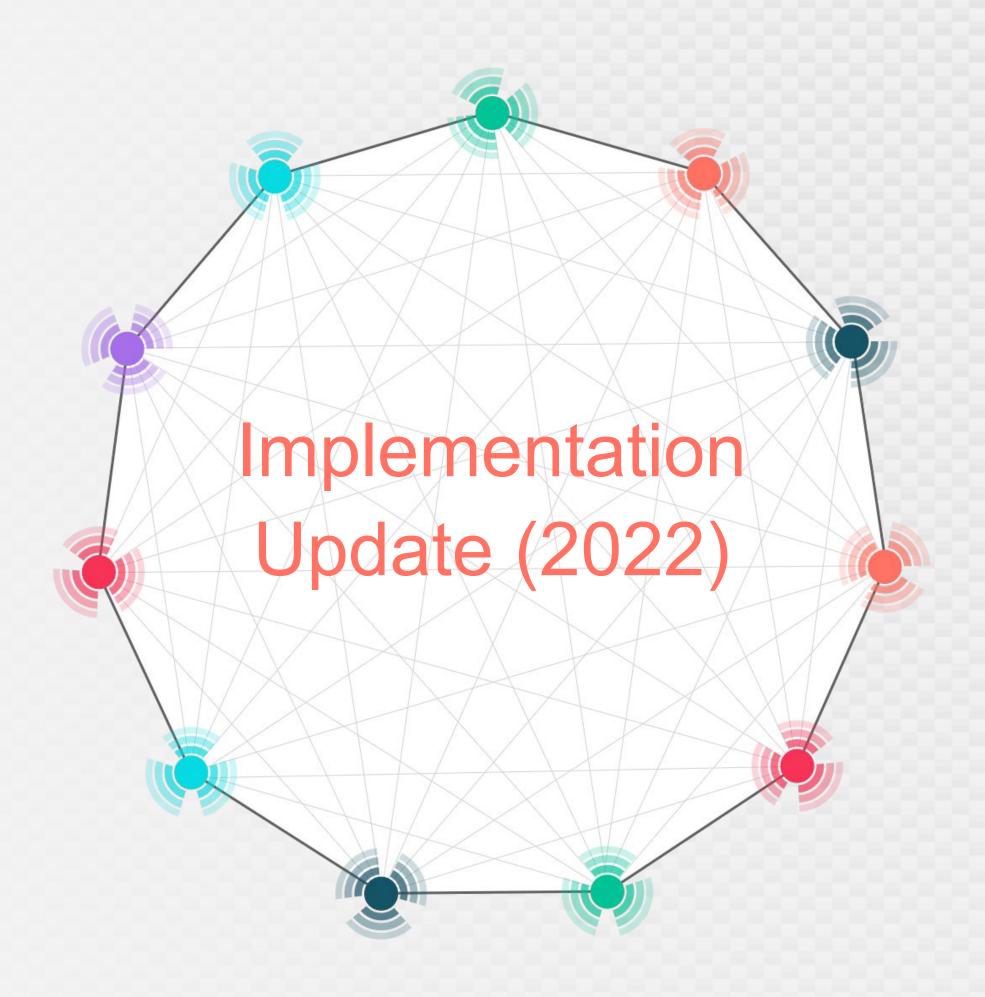
Lunch and Networking (90 minutes)





SESSION 4: Afternoon's Agenda

- o1 Implementation Update (2022)
- Financial Overview and Institutional Arrangements
- Membership Discussion on Institutional Policy
- 04 IATI Consortium Transitional Arrangements and 2023 Workplan
- 05 Closing



SESSION 5 Implementation Update (2022) (60 mins)

Governing Board Focal Points

Implementation Update: IATI Strategic Plan 2020-2025 cross cutting action areas



IATI Governing Board Focal Points



PRESIDENT, ASSOCIATION OF FREELANCE JOURNALISTS



Thea Schepers

SENIOR ADVISOR OPEN DATA /
IATI, NETHERLANDS MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

IATI Outreach & Engagement, Community and Communications AT A GLANCE...



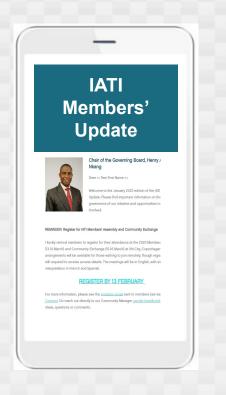
IATI Connect
1300+ accounts



iatistandard.org 85,000 unique visitors







Monthly Newsletter (4,000 recipients)

Monthly Members' Update from Chair



9 video interviews (IATI Connect Stories)



110,000+ post views











Attracting & onboarding new IATI members (5 already in 2023)

Training



2 CDFD training videos and online IATI CSO
Training Course

Launch CSO Course: https://iatistandard.org/en/guidance/new-iati-cso-course/





Two Virtual Community Exchanges: VCE 3 (June 2022) VCE 4 (November 2022)



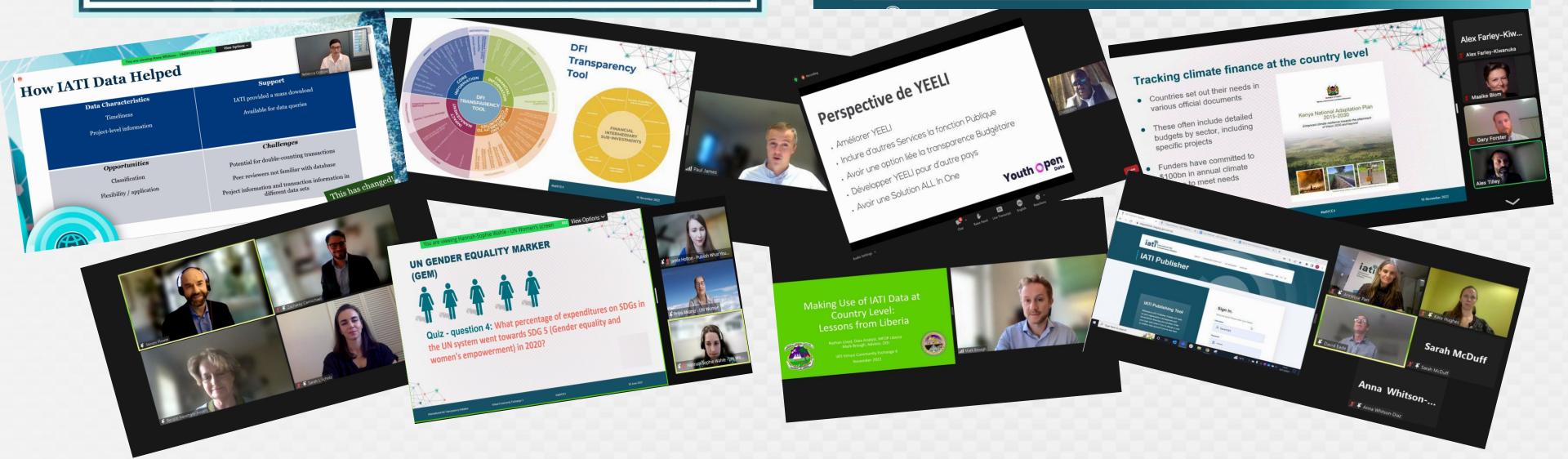


548 registrants

57 speakers

18 sessions
on development and humanitarian
open data and transparency issues.

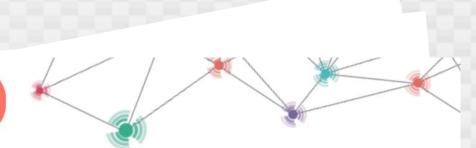
Vital engagement during covid-19 travel restrictions



Engaging policy makers and practitioners



Use Cases: Partner Country Governments



Many partner country governments are interested in using data published to IATI to help assess the projected and actual external inflows of development and humanitarian resources to their countries, either by supplementing data available in Aid Information Management Systems (AIMS) or filling in data gaps when country systems and development cooperation mechanisms are not working as intended. Partner country governments are using IATI data to:



INFORM NATIONAL PLANNING PROCESSES

IATI data is being used to inform governments' national budget and planning processes, including the preparation of medium term expenditure frameworks (MTEFs).



ASSESS INFLOWS OF NON-RESIDENT ORGANISATIONS

Partner countries are also using IATI data to assess inflows of non-resident organisations and conduct real-time monitoring of development and humanitarian spending.



INFORM DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION REPORTS

At least three Development Cooperation Reports (DCRs) were prepared in 2020 and 2021 based almost exclusively on IATI data (Nigeria and Lesotho's Development Cooperation Reports; and Chad's Rapport sur l'aide internationale au Tchad et perspectives, which was included as an annex to the 2021 Finance Law).



Identifying country-led policy making processes that IATI data could be used to inform

e.g integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFFs) and the development of United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks (UNSCDFs)

Creating offers / briefings and providing presentations to target policy-makers / practitioners

Secretariat support to use data

e.g. the government of Turkmenistan was supported to use IATI data to inform its Development Finance Assessment, the first step in the INFF process.

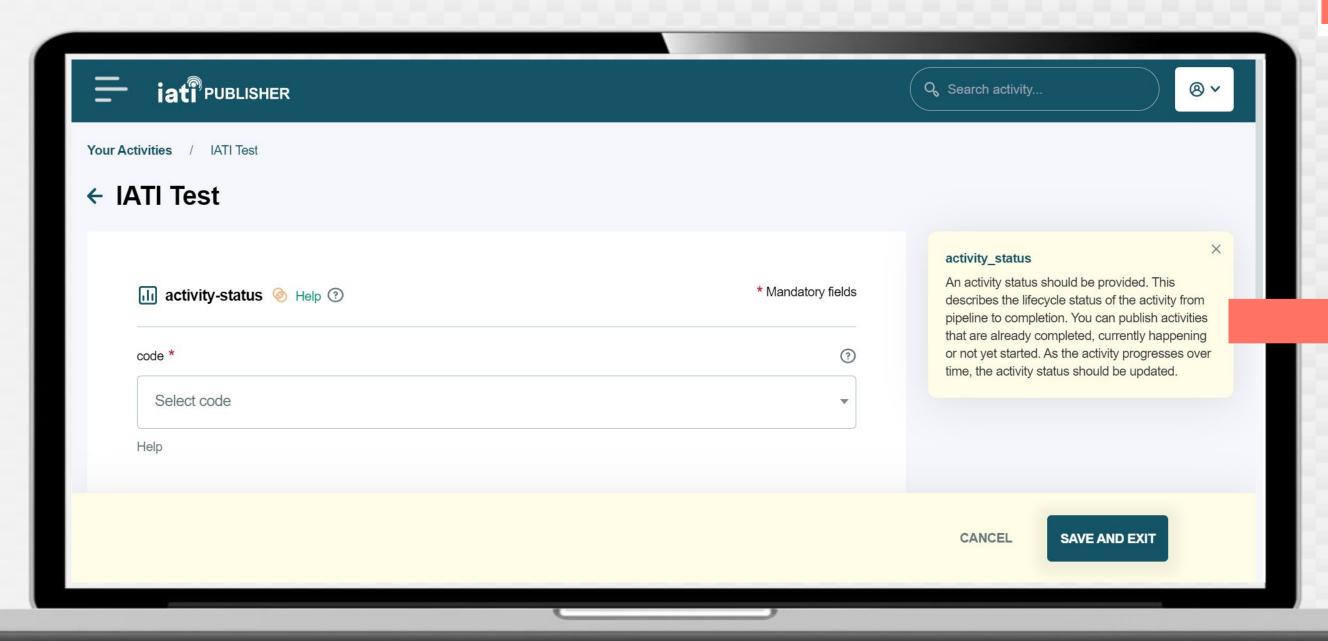
New collaborations for expanding IATI reach

E.g. co-hosting a workshop with UN DESA's Development Cooperation Forum (DCF), the officially-mandated space for discussion on development cooperation amongst UN member states.

Communications: Understanding the IATI Standard

Help text for 400+ data fields

Helpful explanations written for over 400 data fields of the IATI data Standard (elements, sub-elements and attributes). Now available on IATI Publisher.



IATI Standard definition:

New help text:

EXAMPLE:

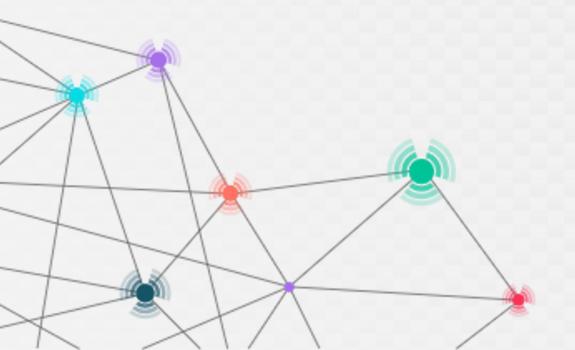
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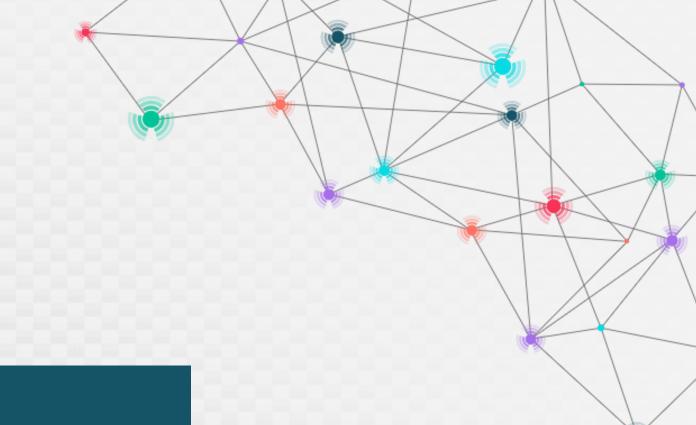
The current status of the activity

activity_status

An activity status should be provided. This describes the lifecycle status of the activity from pipeline to completion. You can publish activities that are already completed, currently happening or not yet started. As the activity progresses over time, the activity status should be updated.







Strategic Objective:1

Drive a Significant Improvement in the

Quality of Data Published to IATI

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Data Quality Index



Phase 1: Timeliness and Validation



Phase 2:
Data
Completion



Phase 3: Weights and Measures



Activity Level Validation



Original ToR: validation on a file basis



Community asked for more valid IATI data in the IATI Datastore



Individual assessment of each activity in an activity file and excluding only those with critical errors



Shows critical errors inline at an activity level to help publishers pinpoint which activities have critical schema errors

Validator Front End Improvements

IATI Validator

The IATI Validator is an online tool for checking if data aligns with the rules and guidance of IATI Standard. It allows users to check and improve the quality of IATI data to ensure it is accessible and useful to anyone working with data on development and humanitarian resources and results.

For more information, see IATI Validator Q&A.

Check Data

Check your IATI data

- Select and upload your IATI files OR add URL to files
- Get validation results

CHECK DATA

Public Data Viewer

Check all files published on the IATI Registry

- Find an organisation
- See the IATI files published by the organisation
- · Get validation results of an IATI file

PUBLIC DATA VIEWER

Public API

Validate IATI files or retrieve validation reports using the public IATI API

- GET existing validation reports for published files
- POST IATI XML and receive validation results

PUBLIC API

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Supporting Publishers



Helpdesk:

- 860 requests in 2022, reduction from 1203 in 2021
- Number of publishers continues to grow: now 1,552
- After a dip in last spring/summer 2022, user satisfaction has stayed at 100%



In-depth publisher support:















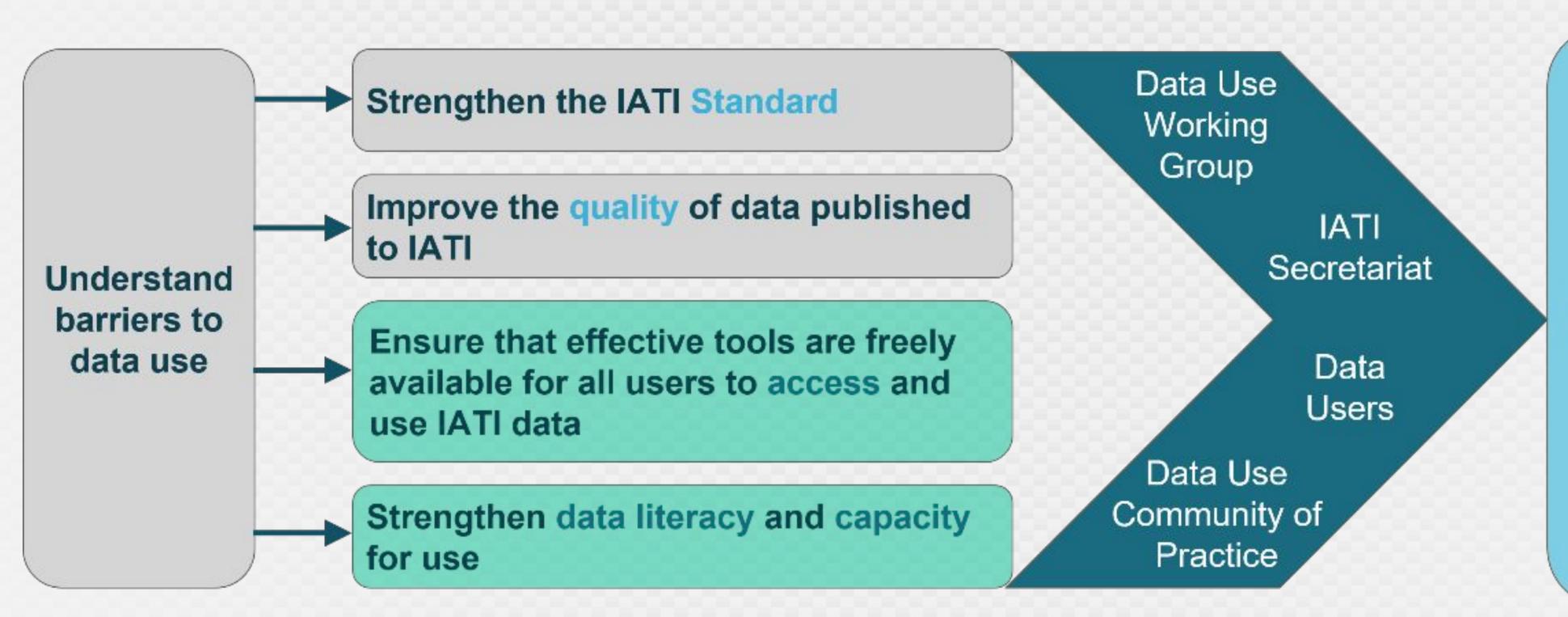




Strategic Objective 2:

Promote the systematic use of IATI data by development and humanitarian actors

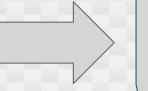
How will we enable increased data use?



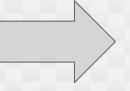
Overcome
data use
barriers and
increase the
systematic use
of IATI data by
development
and
humanitarian
actors

Improving access to IATI data

Access



Analysis



Use

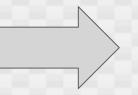
Launch and Improvements to Datastore Search

- Launched in March 2022 to enable data users to download all valid development and humanitarian IATI data in CSV, JSON, and XML Formats
- Replaced IATI's previous Query Builder tool, offering a range of functions to enable complex queries of data published to the IATI Standard
- New functions include:
 - Online web-search style interface
 - Flexible searching across any combination of IATI Activity Standard elements or attributes
 - Hover-over definitions
 - No pagination so users can download thousands of rows of data at once

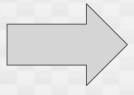
- The Datastore has accomplished the following achievements since launch:
 - Usage has increased considerably over the previous Query Builder → 807% more page views and 445 % increase in unique visitors
 - 15,851 unique visitors from 197 countries with 35,055 total page views
 - 7,557 unique activity pages viewed, 12,845 searches conducted, 2,735 exports downloaded
 - 890,000+ Datastore API requests, with over 81 GB in IATI data downloaded

Improving access to IATI data

Access



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Use

Improvements to Country Development Finance Data Tool

Engagement and Learning

- Conducted dozens of 1:1 trainings and support calls + provided training at 3 workshops for 58 government representatives from 49 countries, 75 civil society reps, 25 DP reps
- More than 5000 users from 158 countries
- Improvements informed by feedback and learning
 - Data users need a standard set of essential data that can be easily accessed and analyzed; guidance is essential; and language accessibility is key to enabling use
 - But users needed better visualizations, the ability to generate custom reports, additional data fields and publisher groupings

Improvements

- Data Dashboards: Summary, Country/Region, Reporting Organization, and Sector
 - Visualize the data in customizable maps, charts, and tables and download the underlying data
- Custom Data Download
 - Create, view, and download custom spreadsheets of data
- Useful functionality includes: Links to activity pages on d-portal, Reporting Org groups, Persistent URLs, availability of descriptions
- Available in French, Spanish, and Portuguese

Strengthening Data Literacy and Capacity for Use



Resources Developed

- How-To Videos (EN, FR, ES, PT) for the Country
 Development Finance Data tool on:
 - How to access and understand data on external development finance
 - How to analyse data on external development finance
- Queries updated on Data Use Query Corner
- Training materials developed for governments, civil society, and development partners on how to access, understand, and analyze IATI data
- Analysis published on understanding 2022 budgets and spending and on funding for mine action

Trainings Conducted (examples)

- On-demand trainings as needed by data users +
 Data Use Drop-Ins
- For development partners on how their data is used and how they can make use of IATI data (e.g. SlovakAid, US State Dept, WBTF)
- For civil society organizations and many researchers and analysts attempting to use IATI data for research, coordination, etc.
- Through workshops

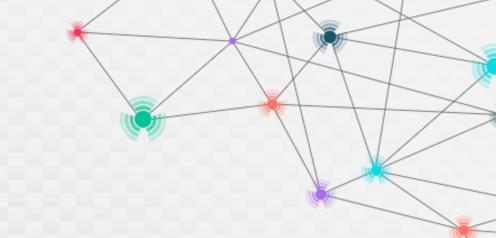


Series of Regional Workshops: Key takeaways from PC governments

- Workshops in Rwanda (for all PC government members), Nigeria (West and Central Africa region), and Thailand (Asia-Pacific region). Nigeria and Thailand also included a CSO segment, and Nigeria included a DP segment. Bangkok workshop partnered with UN DESA / Development Cooperation Forum.
- 49 governments, 75+ CSOs, and 25+ development partners were trained on how to access, understand, and use IATI data.

Key takeaways from partner country governments include:

- IATI data is increasingly in demand to complement data available at the country level.
- The quality of IATI data is steadily improving, but long-standing (and previously known) data quality issues still
 present challenges to using the data at country level.
- Countries appreciated advances in being able to access the data they need (in the format they need) with CDFD, but noted that there is more work to be done on streamlining IATI's tools and services.
- There is still a desire amongst partner country governments for integration of their Aid Information Management Systems (AIMS) with IATI data.



Series of Regional Workshops: Key takeaways from CSOs

Key takeaways from CSOs include:

- CSOs confirmed their key desires for using IATI data are around accountability, coordination, advocacy and finding funding opportunities.
- CSOs noted that more comprehensive information from humanitarian partners and South-South providers would make the data more useful for them.
- CSOs also underscored the need for publishing by grassroots users in order for them to truly understand the implications.
- Learnings from the workshop were also incorporated into the virtual CSO training course.



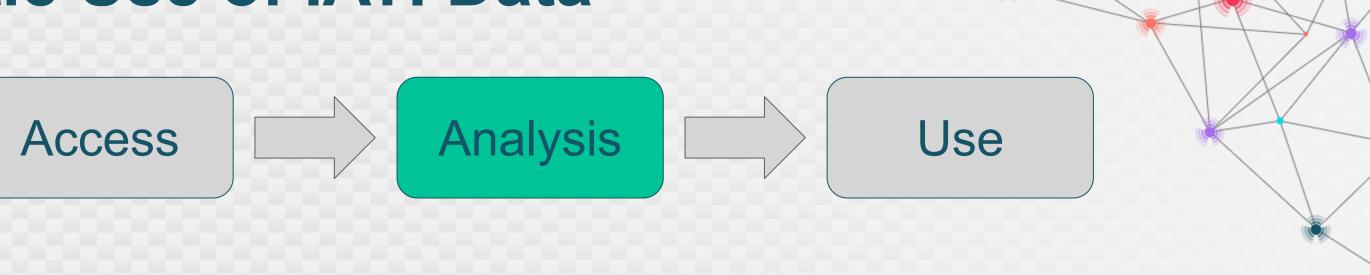


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Cooperation, Bangkok, December 202

Data Systems for Effecti

Strengthening Data Literacy and Capacity for Use



Resources in Development

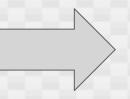
Virtual Training for Civil Society in Partner Countries

- **Goal**: develop <u>self-paced interactive online Course</u> to introduce civil society organisations to the conversation around transparency of development cooperation resources and to familiarise them with IATI's data and tools, so that they can use IATI data in their own work
- **Project** split in two phases: <u>inception</u> (finalized end of March 2022, led by DUWG) and <u>implementation</u> (currently):
 - Implementing partner: United Nations Institute for Research and Training
 - Will be available in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish
- Launch in two phases: Introduction / Module 1 / Module 2 launched at the MA, while the remaining modules will be launched in May 2023.

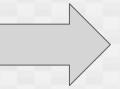
Modules 1 and 2 available here:
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Increasing the Use of IATI data

Access



Analysis



Use

How is IATI data being used?

Development Partners, including funders, implementers, and others from civil society

- Accountability of partners in the delivery of resources and results
- Advocacy based on evidence for changes in the allocation of resources, reprioritization, better coordination, etc.
- Targeted coordination in particular sectors, policy areas, or locations
- Research to inform policy, advocacy, etc.
- External development finance landscape analysis to enable coordination, inform strategies
- Development of internal platforms to share their IATI data

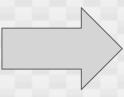
Partner Country Governments

- Inform national budget planning
- Conduct analysis on external development finance landscape
- Enable dialogue with DPs
- Monitor development spending

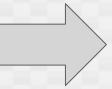
Progress on Enabling Systematic Use of IATI Data

Increasing the Use of IATI data

Access



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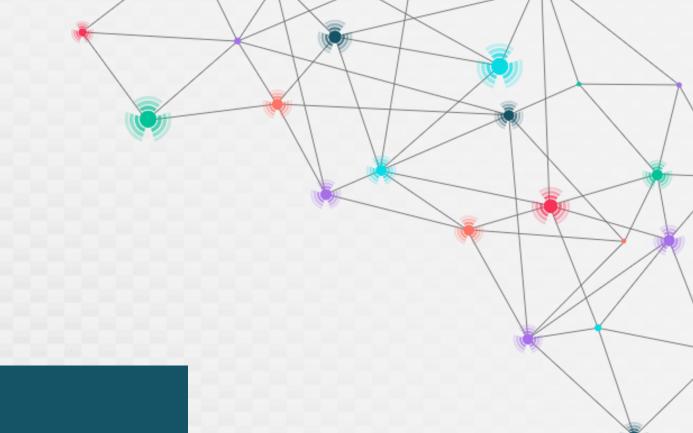
Use

What are some recent data use examples?

- Development of Livestock
 Project Portal to enable
 improved coordination in the
 livestock sector by
 SEBI-Livestock
- Gender financing research by Publish What You Fund
- External development finance landscape for Turkmenistan Integrated Financing Framework (INFF)

- External development finance landscape analysis in Development
 Cooperation Reports
 - Sierra Leone (using following attendance at workshop)
 - Burkina Faso (using as a complement to national data)
 - Nigeria and Chad (using primarily IATI data for 3rd year)
 - Lesotho (have used primarily IATI data for 5 years)
- Data from IATI informing national budget in Chad (DCR included as annex to national budget), Guinea (informed MTEF projections), etc.
- Data from IATI imported into national AIMS in Liberia via the Liberia Project Dashboard
- Monitoring development spending and enabling dialogue and accountability in many countries (e.g. Ghana, Nigeria)

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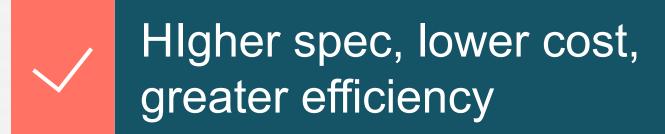


Strategic Objective:3

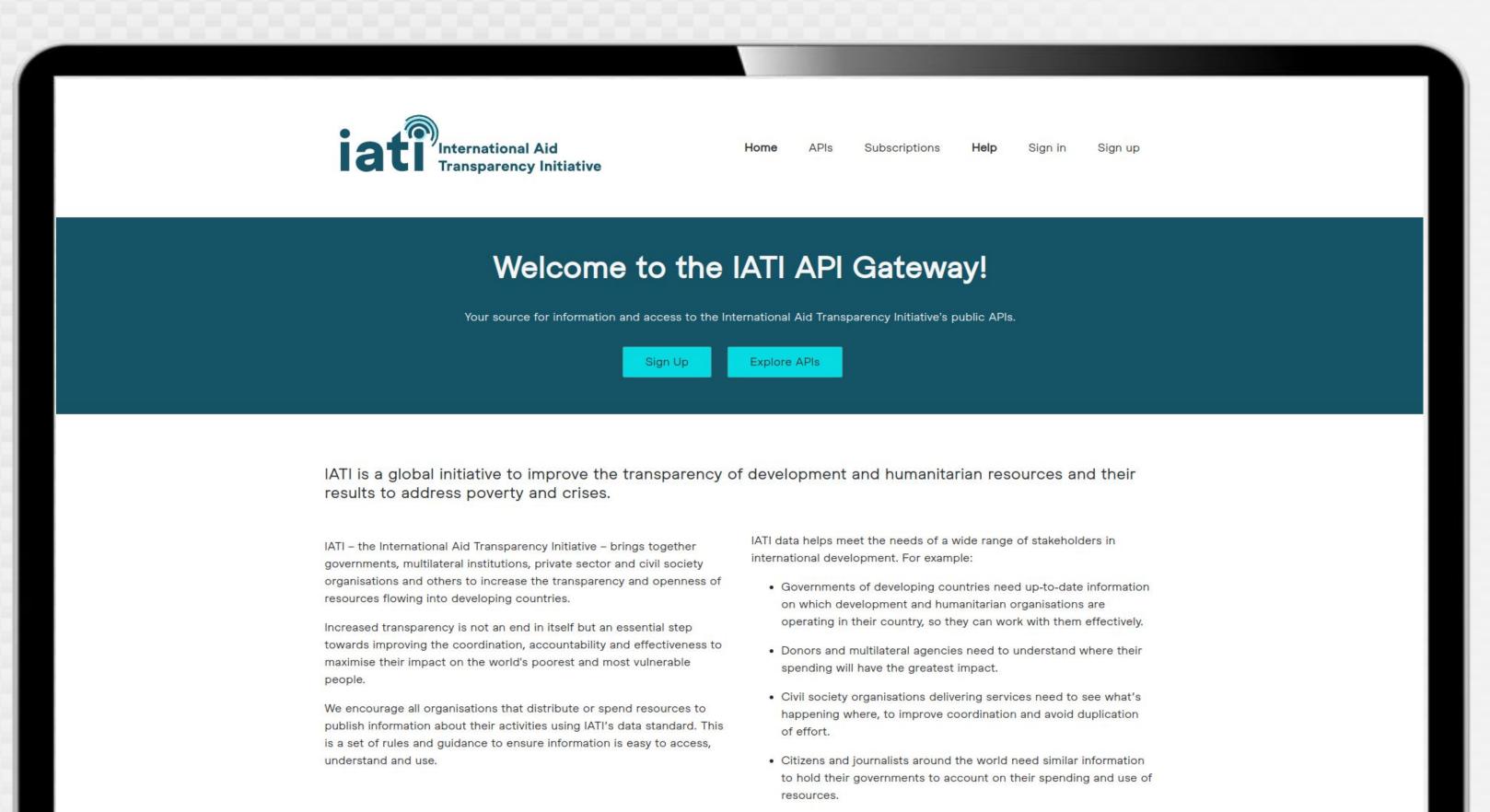
Strengthen the IATI Standard to support Objectives 1 & 2, by consolidating the technical core, maintaining its infrastructure and reinvigorating its community

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IATI Datastore API

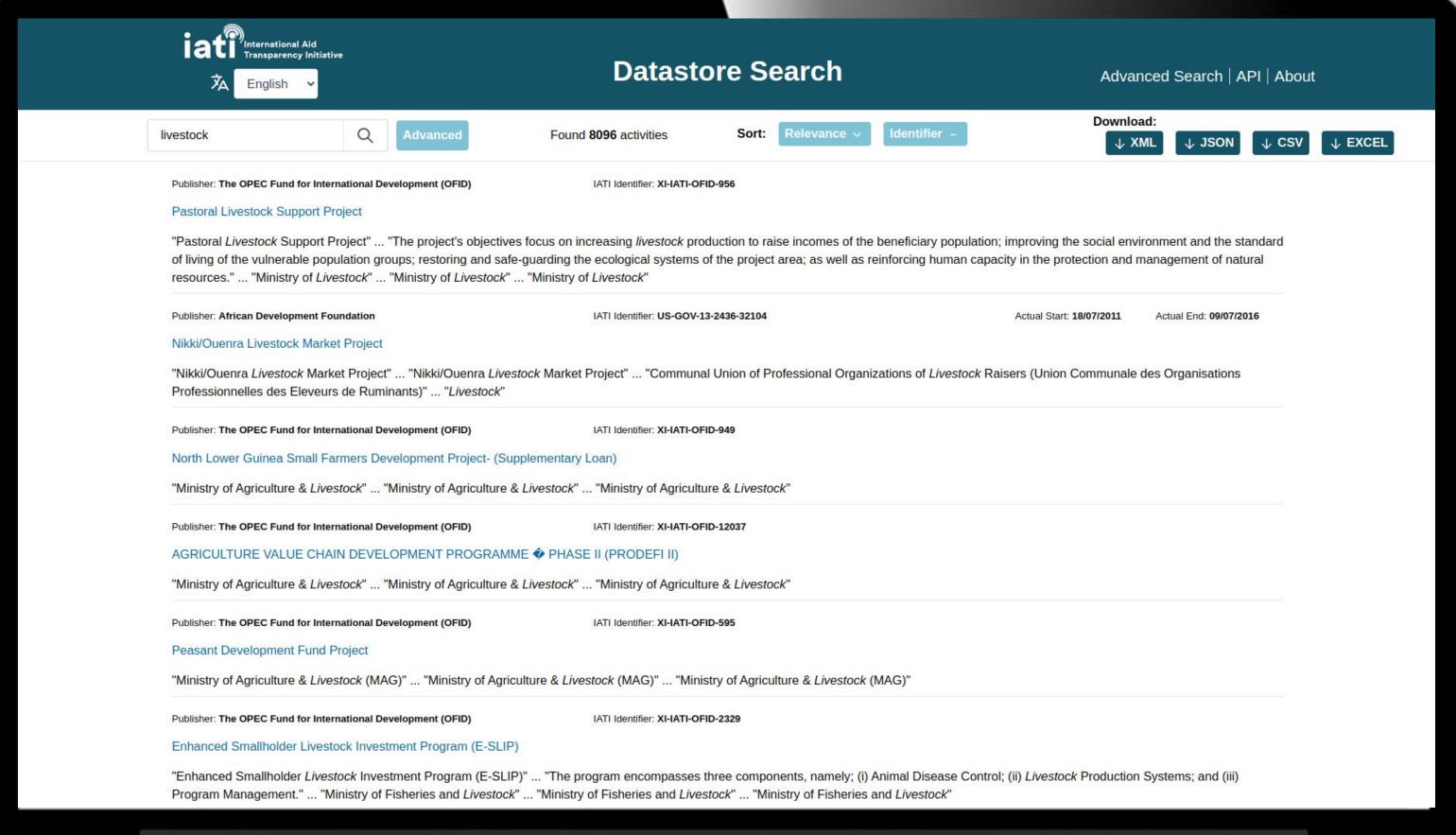


- All valid IATI data, in less than 24 hours of publication
- Activity, Transaction and Budget data filtered by any element or attribute
- Returns all valid activity data for each activity

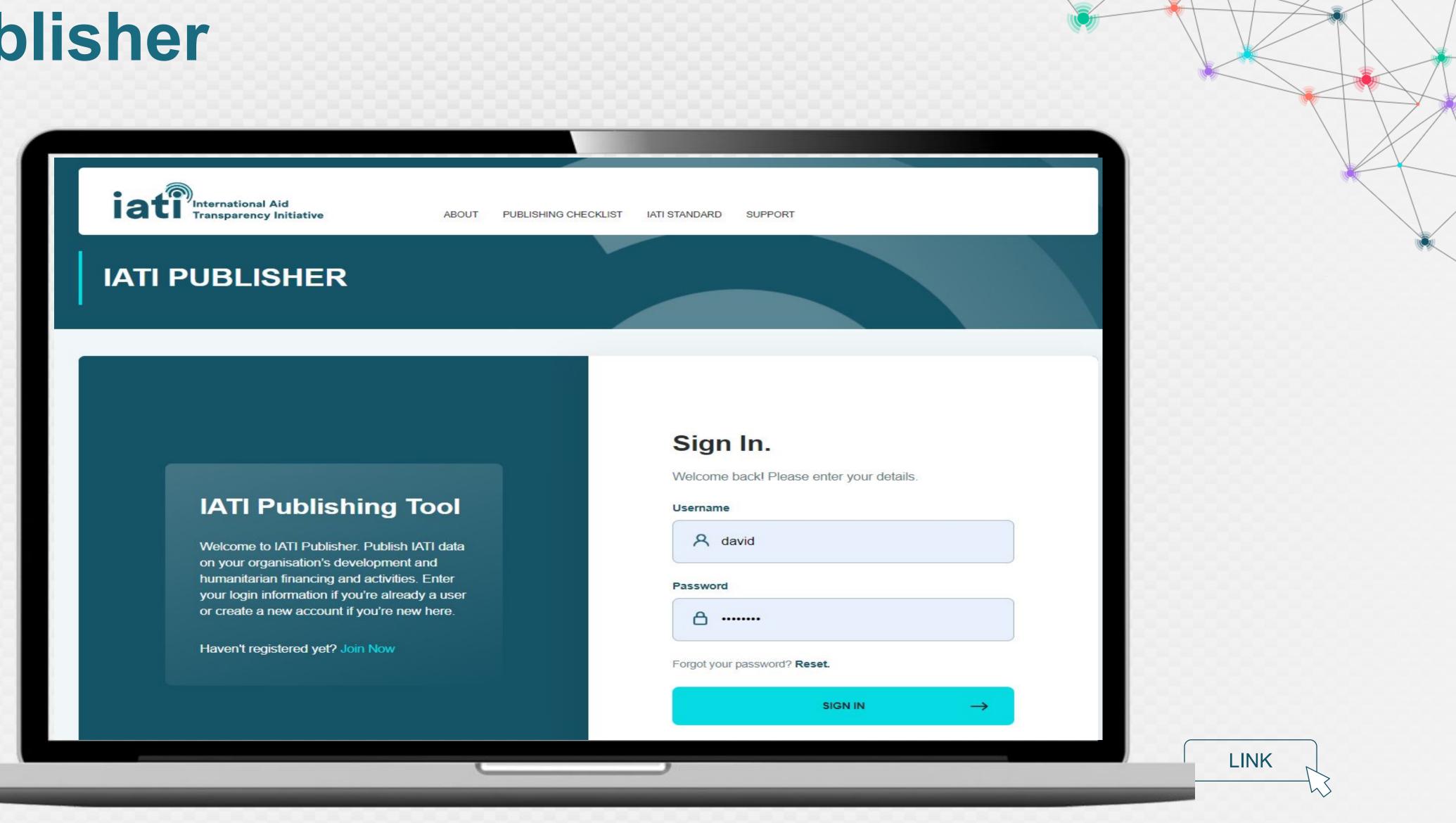


IATI Datastore Search





IATI Publisher



IATI Publisher

Development & Testing

Developed by Young Innovations

15 members of the IATI Community participated in testing

Features

Free to use
Clear explanations of data fields and links to guidance
Data can be input by online forms or CSV/bulk upload
Automatic checks for errors via IATI Validator before publishing data

Audience & Usage

For small or medium-sized organisations or those with a limited number of activities. Since launch on 17 January, 28 organisations have started to use the tool, publishing 60+ activities

Migration & Translation

Support for Aidstream users who want to migrate to IATI Publisher Translation into French and Spanish is underway

Other technical core work



- Validator status of all activities
- New feature alerts
 publishers if the URL
 to their IATI data set
 does not point to an
 XML file (as required in
 the IATI Standard).



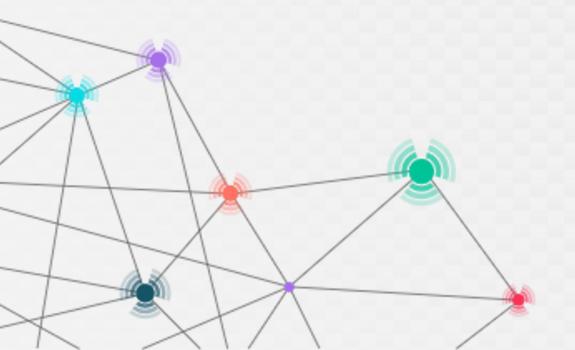
- Server upgraded
- Website's headers
 adjusted to ensure
 CORS (Cross-origin
 resource sharing)
 compliant servers
 are able to securely
 retrieve data.



 Standard improvement project on hold due to transition

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Coffee Break (15 minutes)





SESSION 6 Financial Overview and Institutional Arrangements

Joseph Barnes, Board Institutional Focal Point
UNICEF

14 March 2023

OUTLINE - SESSION 6

- RESULTS: Recap of the Strategic Plan (2020-2025)
 - > 2021 results and preliminary results for 2022
- * RESOURCES: Financial Overview
 - > Funding Snapshot, Income and Expenditure Overview

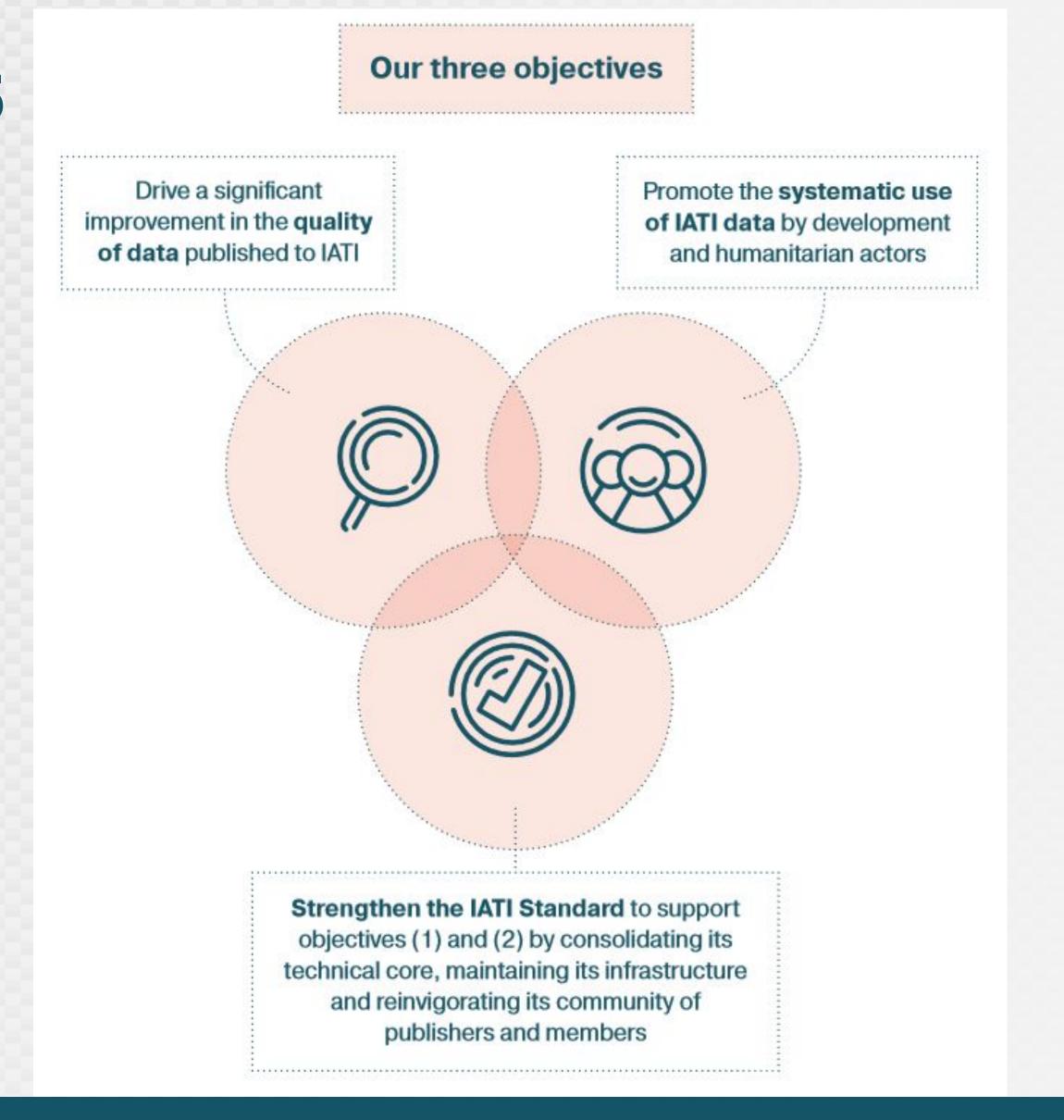
Discussion / Q&A





Recap: IATI Strategic Plan 2020-2025

- Inclusively developed by members throughout 2019
- Sets out key goals for IATI through 2025
- Aimed at capitalising on IATI's strengths and addressing its weaknesses
- For the initiative as a whole (members, community, Secretariat)
- Four mutually reinforcing priorities
- Supported by Results Working Group



Strategic Plan Results Framework

- Initial RF outline developed by a Working Group of members; approved by the Governing Board — For the initiative as a whole (members, community, Secretariat).
- An internal management tool a chance to reflect and adjust. Most useful when viewed alongside planned actions.
- Results Working Group (2022) Published comprehensive results monitoring report with proposed refinements to Strategic Plan as part of future Mid-term Review
- Three rounds of monitoring indicate both positive and negative trends



High-level Achievements towards the Strategic Plan in 2022



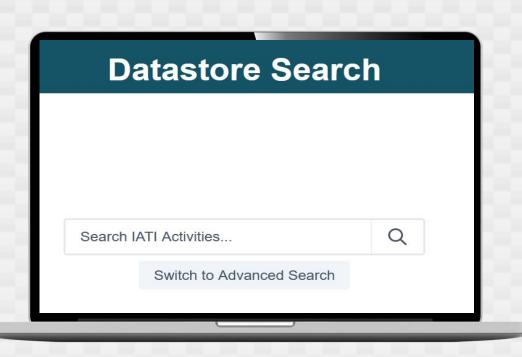
Enabling systematic data use by strengthening data literacy and capacity for data users

155 Organisations trained how to use IATI data:

- * 70 Civil Society Organisations
- **50** Partner Country Governments
- 35 Publisher Organisations



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Datastore Search

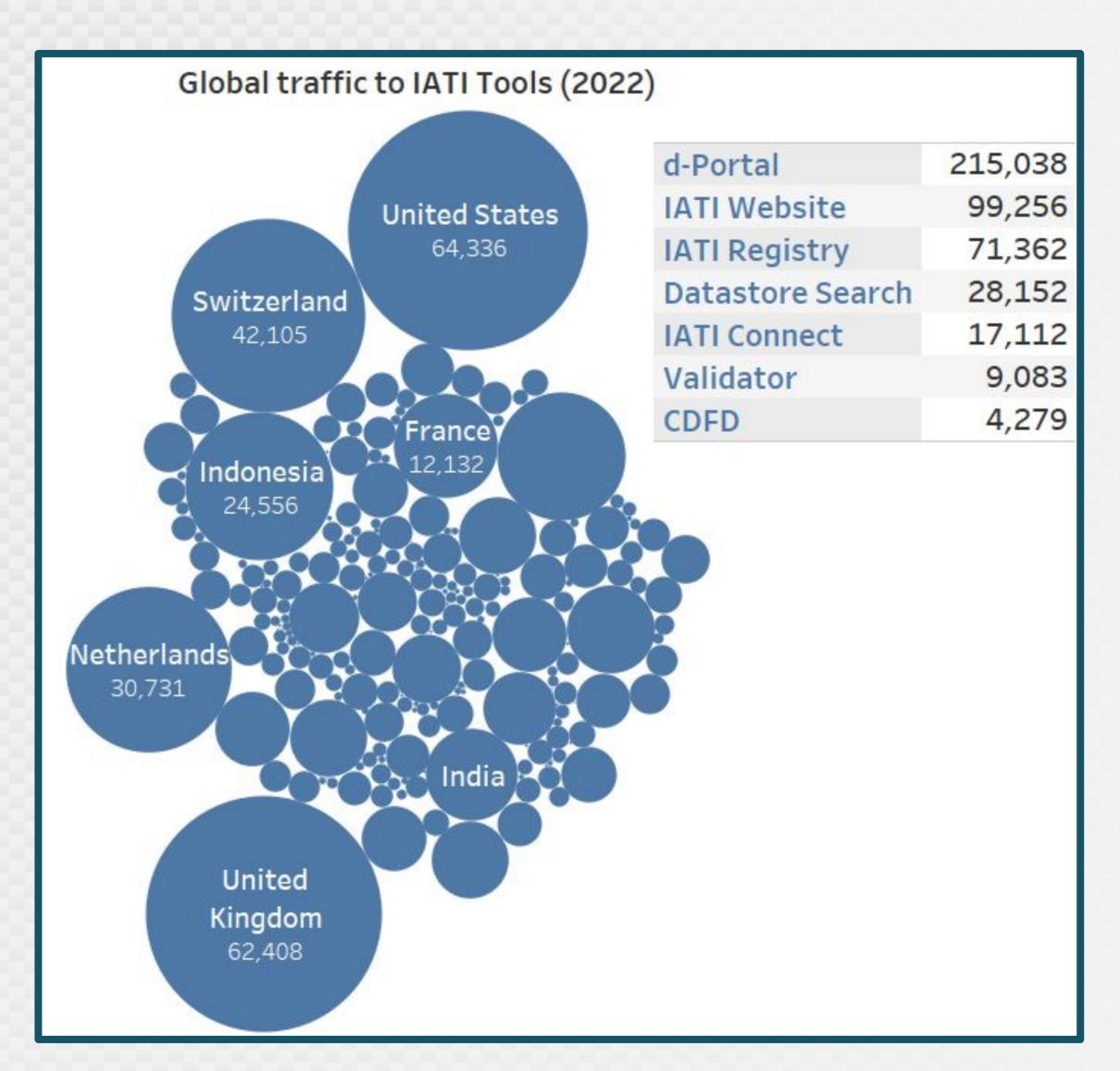


Country Development Finance Data

High-level Achievements towards the Strategic Plan in 2022

Increasing global reach & traffic to IATI tools

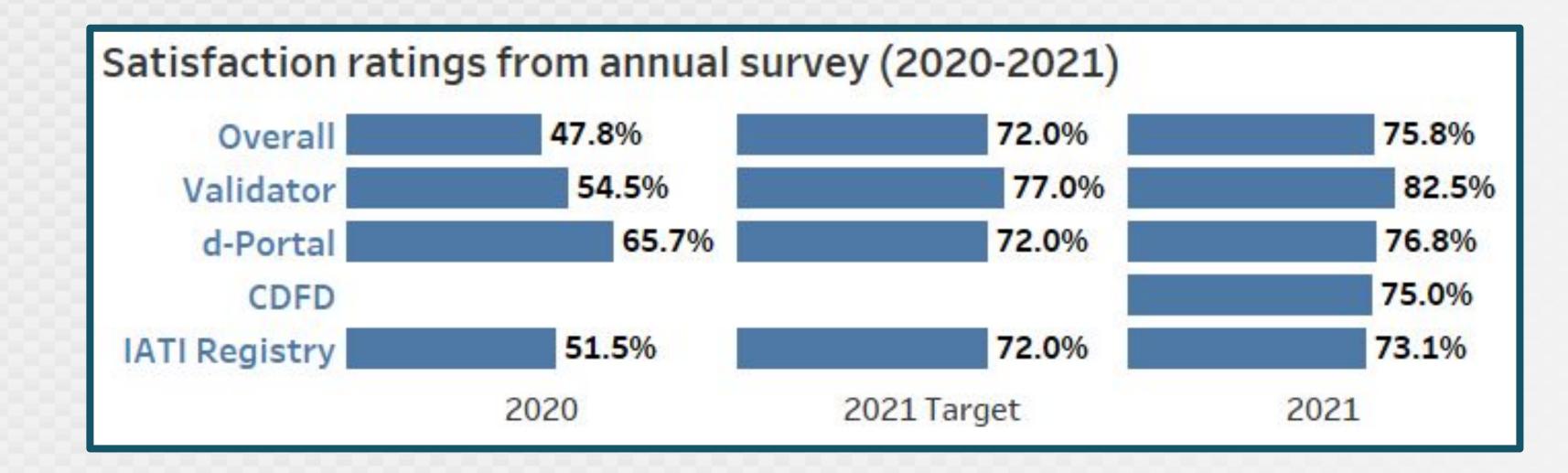




High-level Achievements towards the Strategic Plan (2021)

Increase in satisfaction rating among users of IATI tools





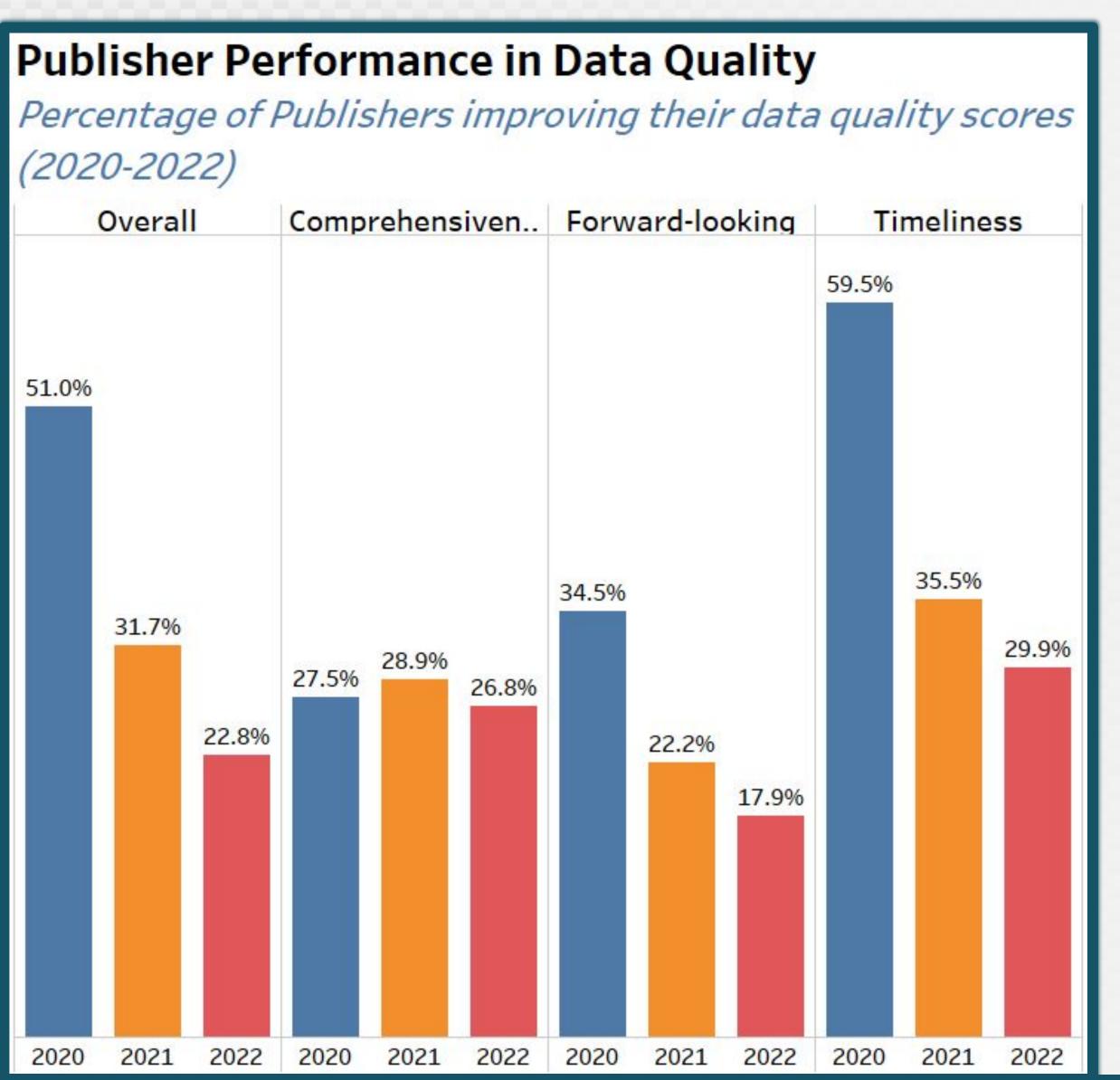
Data Quality is falling behind the goal of the Strategic Plan

Majority of publishers are declining in data quality

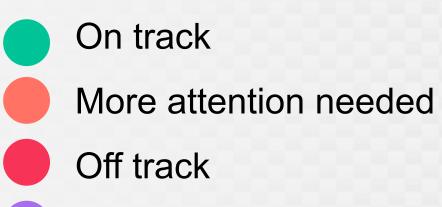
Publisher improvement in Data Quality is negative (3 year trend)

❖ Delayed implementation of Data Quality Index and Standardizing the Standard impacting achievement towards the Strategic Plan

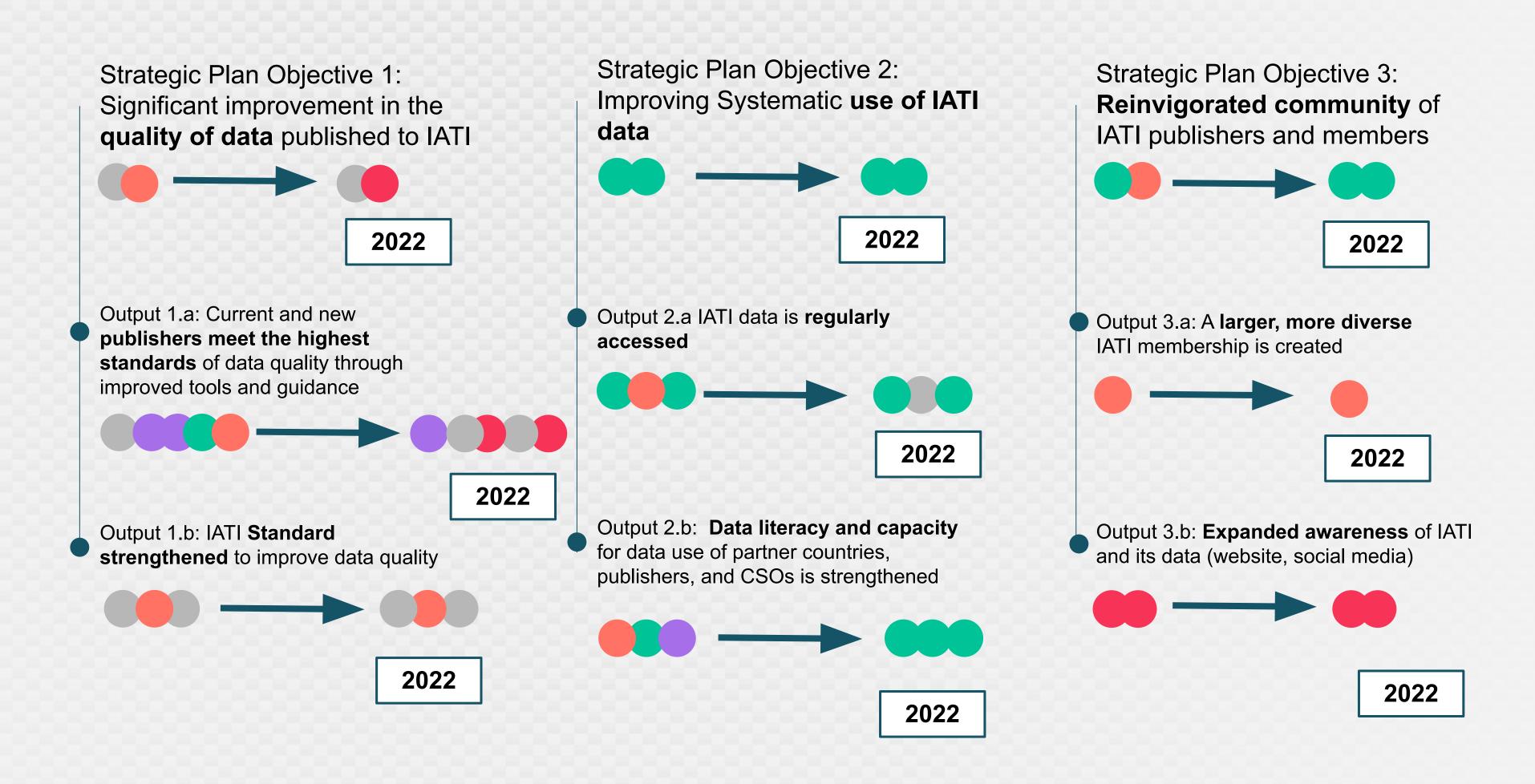




2021 results and preliminary 2022 results (pending 2022 survey)



- Baseline in 2021
- No data available



2022 - Year 9 Financial Highlights

2021

2022



Opening balance - Funds carried over (2013- 2021) - USD \$3,923,566



Income from Membership and Voluntary Contribution - USD \$3,325,139



Project Interest – USD \$12,339



Total Project Expenditure in 2022 – USD \$3,324,379

2023



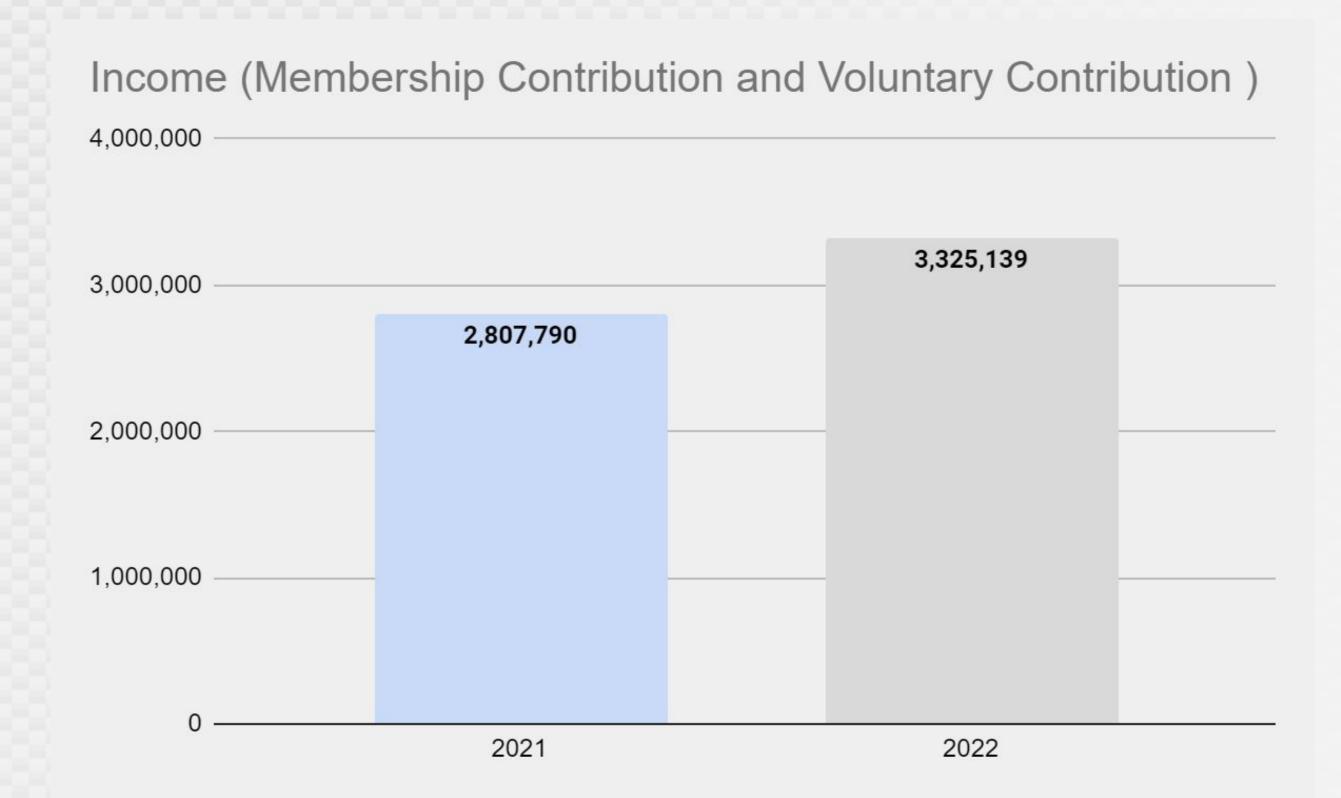
Estimated Project cash balance as of 31
December 2022 USD \$3,936,665
(including contingency reserve)



\$ 3.3 million Income in 2022

- ***** 81 IATI members
 - ❖ 21 PC governments requested the waiver to pay the membership fee
 - 1 Partial payment
 - ❖ 3 Secretariat members

Total Income from Membership Contribution and Voluntary Contribution - USD \$ 3,325,139





\$ 3.9 million final Budget in 2022

	Original	Revision number	Revision Impact (USD)	Mayor revisions
Original Budget 2022	\$4,410,915			
June Budget Revision		\$4,135,351	- \$275,564	Placing Q3 and Q4 activities with a medium- to long-term horizon on hold until new hosting arrangements for the IATI Secretariat were selected in 2023
September Budget Revision		\$3,954,150	- \$181,201	Funding the 2024 Aid Transparency Index (delivered by Publish What You Fund), postponing the Members' Assembly 2022 (until March 2023)
November Revision		\$3,931,279	- \$22,871	Minor changes including the switch of the budget owner for the funds related to PWYF and its implications to the management fee



(\$) \$ 3.3 million Expenses in 2022

	2021	2022
Income	Actuals (\$USD)	Actuals (\$USD)
Opening balance (Cash- Carry Over)	3,653,225	3,923,566
Membership contributions and Voluntary Contribution	2,807,790	3,325,139
Interest	12,277	12,339
Total income:	6,473,292	7,261,044
Expenses	2,549,726	3,324,379
Estimate Cash Position as of 31 Dec (income-expense)	3,923,566	3,936,665
Contingency Reserve Amount	631,249	1,000,000
Fund Surplus (excluding Contingency Reserve)	3,292,317	2,936,665



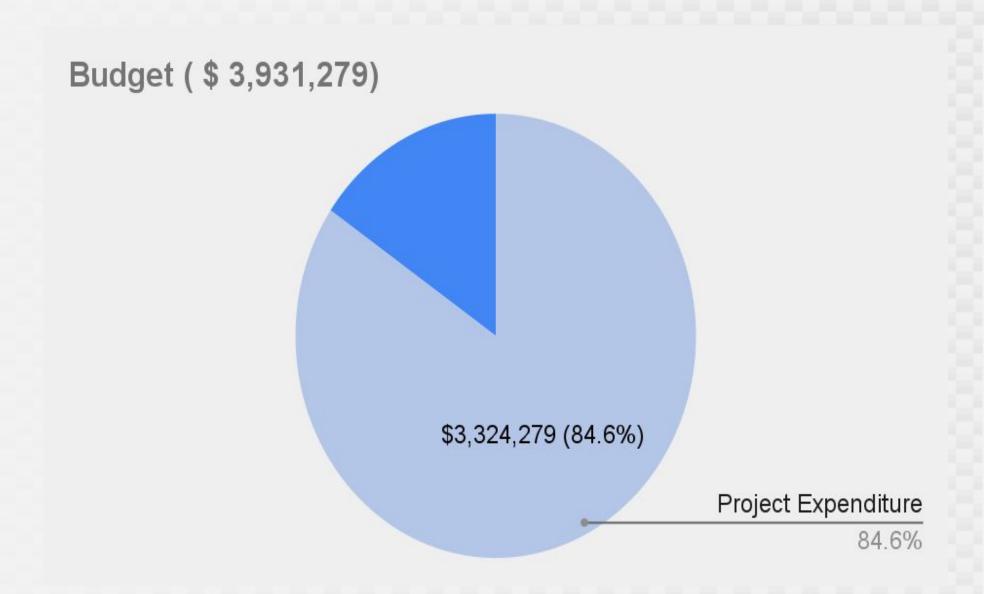
85% Utilization rate in 2022

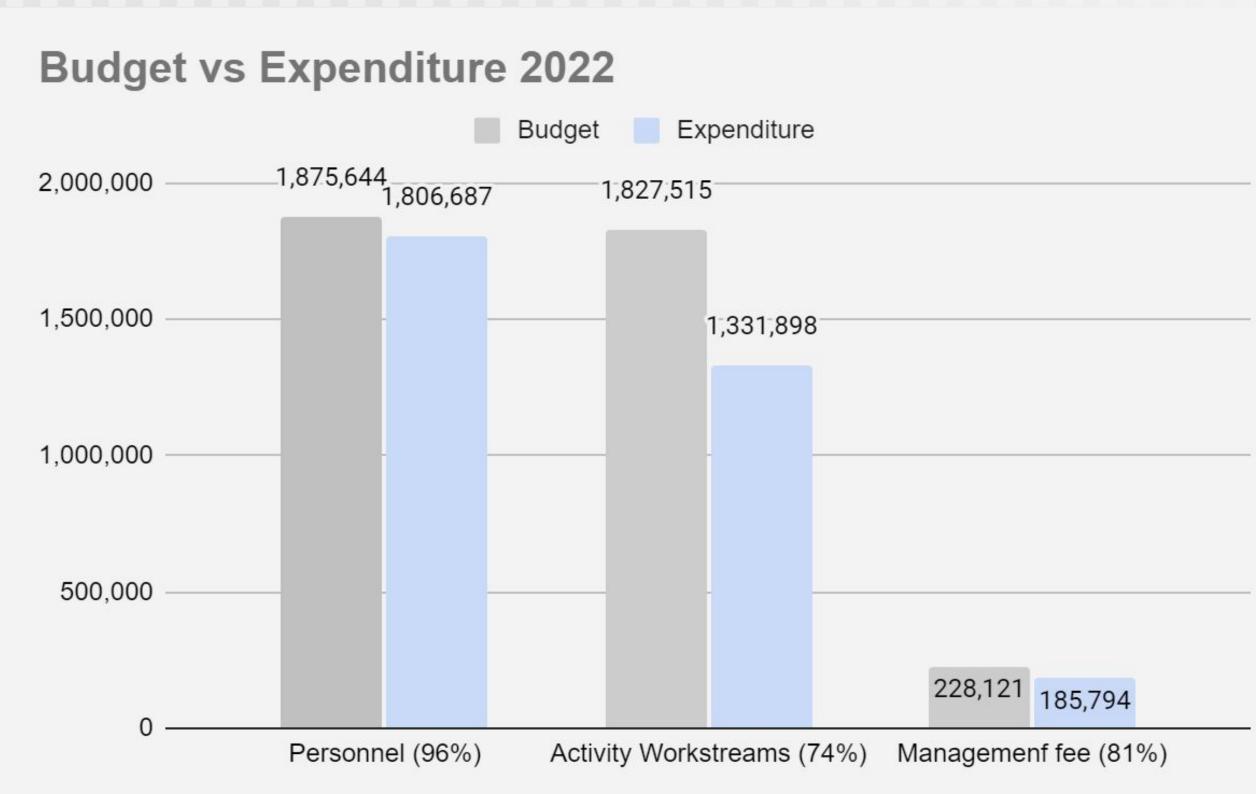
	2021 Budget	2021 Expenditure	Variance (\$USD)	2022 Budget	2022 Expenditure	Variance (\$USD)
Total expenditure (activities and personnel without in-kind)	3,036,581	2,427,700	608,881	3,703,159	3,138,586	564,573
Management fee	167,244	122,026	45,218	228,120	185,794	42,326
Total	\$3,203,825	\$2,549,726	\$654,099	\$3,931,279	\$3,324,380	\$606,899
Utilization rate (%)		80%			85%	





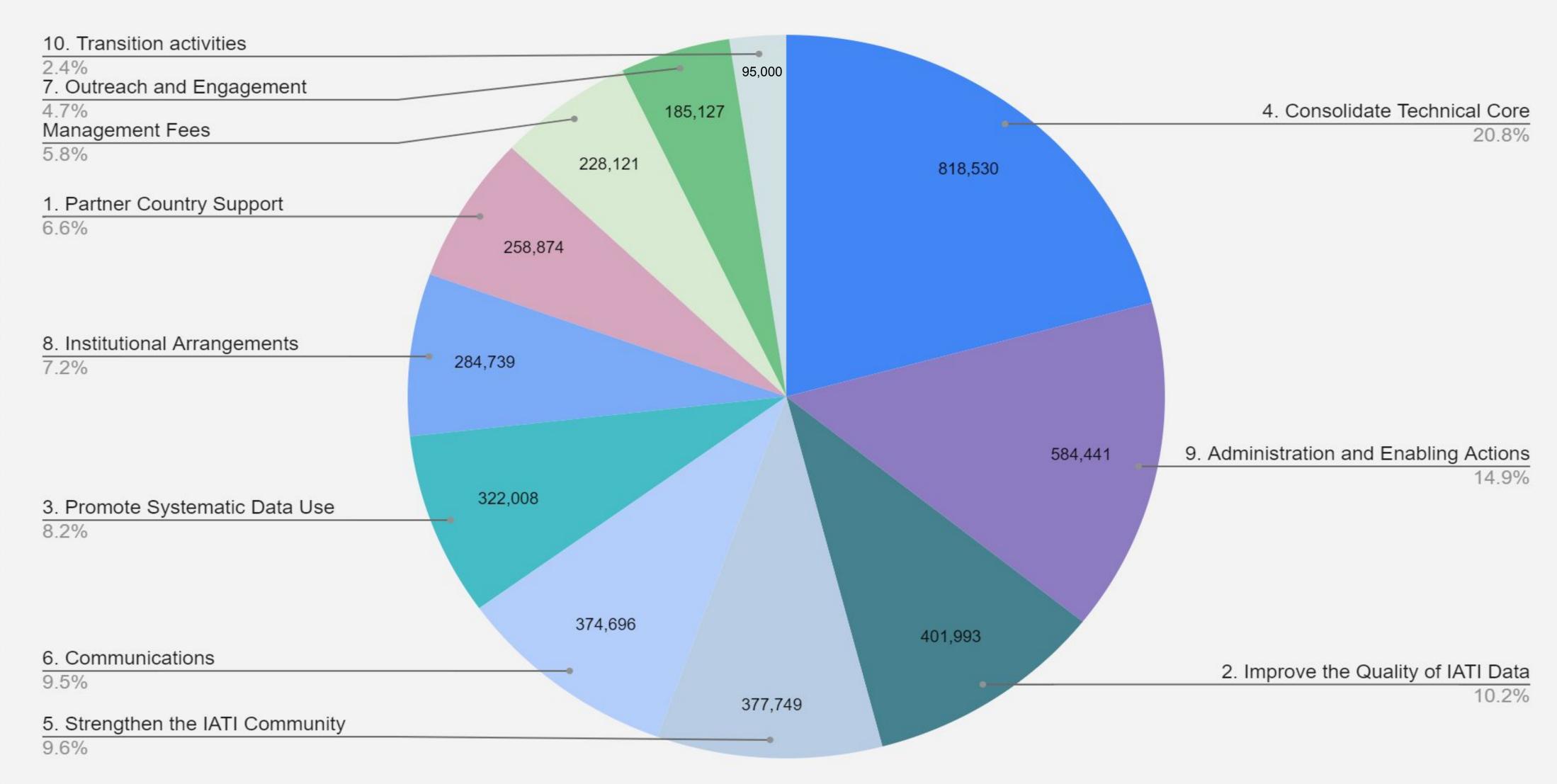
Final Budget Utilization in 2022





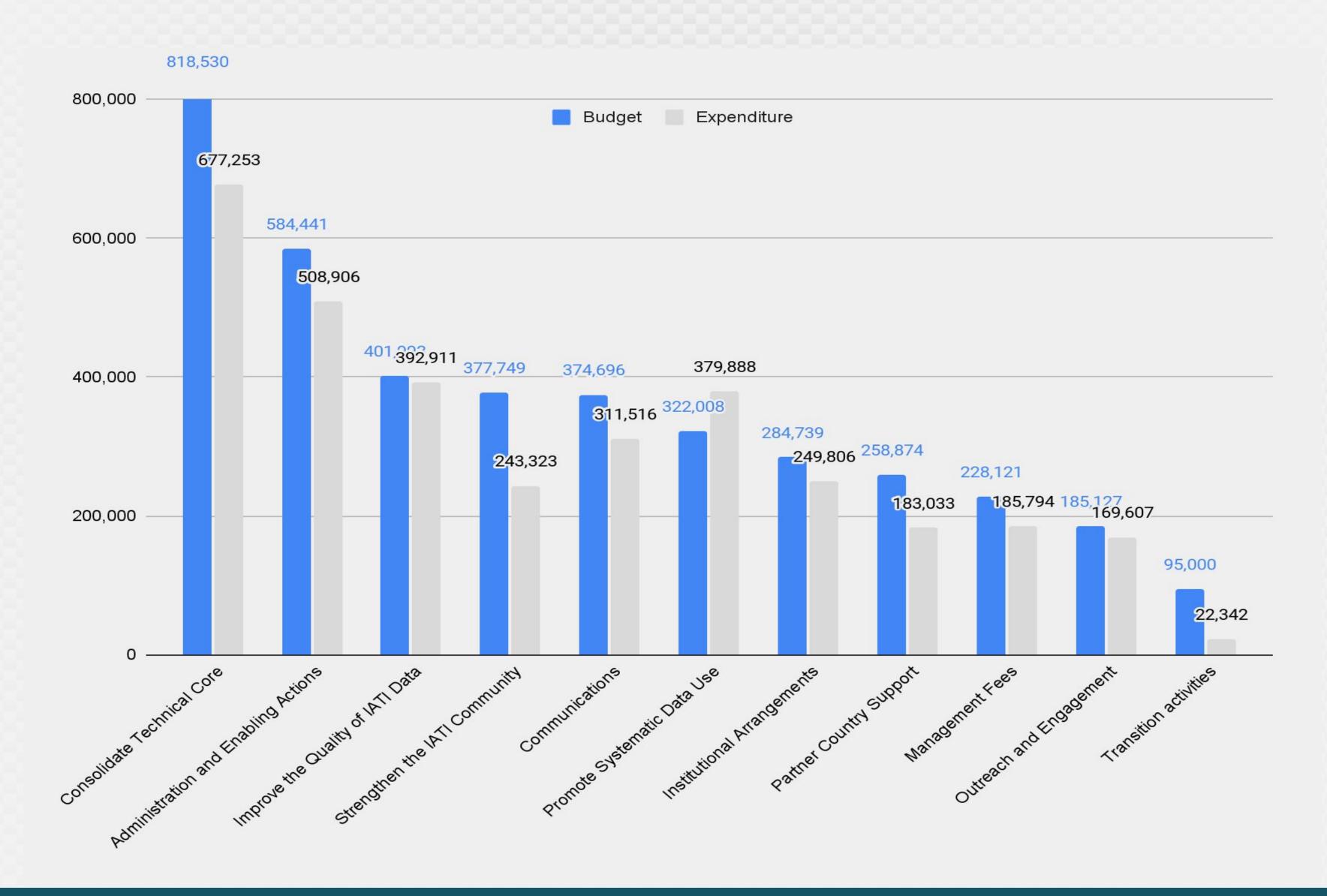


Distribution of budget allocation in 2022





Budget vs Expenditure 2022





Project Expenditure per workstream

Workstream	Budget	Activity expenditure	Personnel expenditure	Total 2022 expenditure	Utilization Rate (%)
4. Consolidate Technical Core	818,530	176,099	501,154	677,253	83%
9. Administration and Enabling Actions	584,441	130,146	378,761	508,907	87%
2. Improve the Quality of IATI Data	401,993	313,600	79,311	392,911	98%
5. Strengthen the IATI Community	377,749	130,766	112,557	243,323	64%
6. Communications	374,696	29,731	281,785	311,516	83%
3. Promote Systematic Data Use	322,008	269,527	110,360	379,887	118%
8. Institutional Arrangements	284,739	155,096	94,710	249,806	88%
1. Partner Country Support	258,874	104,591	78,442	183,033	71%
Management Fees	228,121	185,794		185,794	81%
7. Outreach and Engagement	185,127	0	169,607	169,607	92%
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8. Institutional Arrangements	284,739	155,096	94,710	249,806	88%
1. Partner Country Support	258,874	112,916	78,442	191,358	74%
Management Fees	228,121	199,028		199,028	87%
7. Outreach and Engagement	185,127	0	169,607	169,607	92%
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Looking forward into 2023 - Transition period

	Income (\$USD)	2023 Budget (\$ USD)
Total Estimated cash balance as of 31 December 2022	3,936,665	
Cash Balance with Consortium partners	393,903	
Expected Income in Y10 (under the current hosting)	606,140	
Transition Budget (February revision)		2,912,841
Expected fund balance after the transition budget is executed	2,023,867	
Contingency reserve	1,000,000	
Expected fund balance after the transition without the contingency funds	1,023,867	

Estimated further Y10 income to be collected by the new host is US\$2,213,822

Introducing Session 7: Definition and Management of IATI Membership

- As IATI has grown, managing the relationship with members and the wider IATI community has become increasingly important.
- It is essential to **strengthen IATI's internal processes** by streamlining and clarifying the membership process, rights and responsibilities.
- The Board proposes to establish a time-bound Membership Working Group to develop recommendations on these issues for inclusion in the next update of IATI's SOPs.
- Possible issues for consideration (to be further discussed in Session 7):



Constituency categorisation;

Availability of waivers;



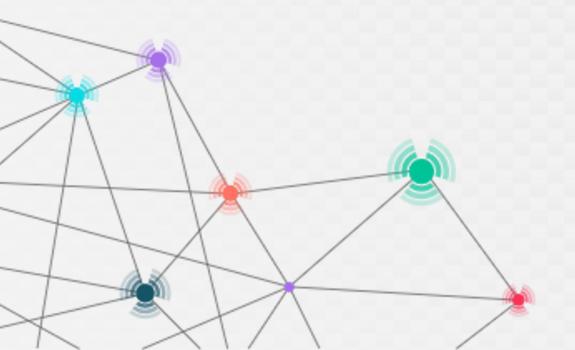
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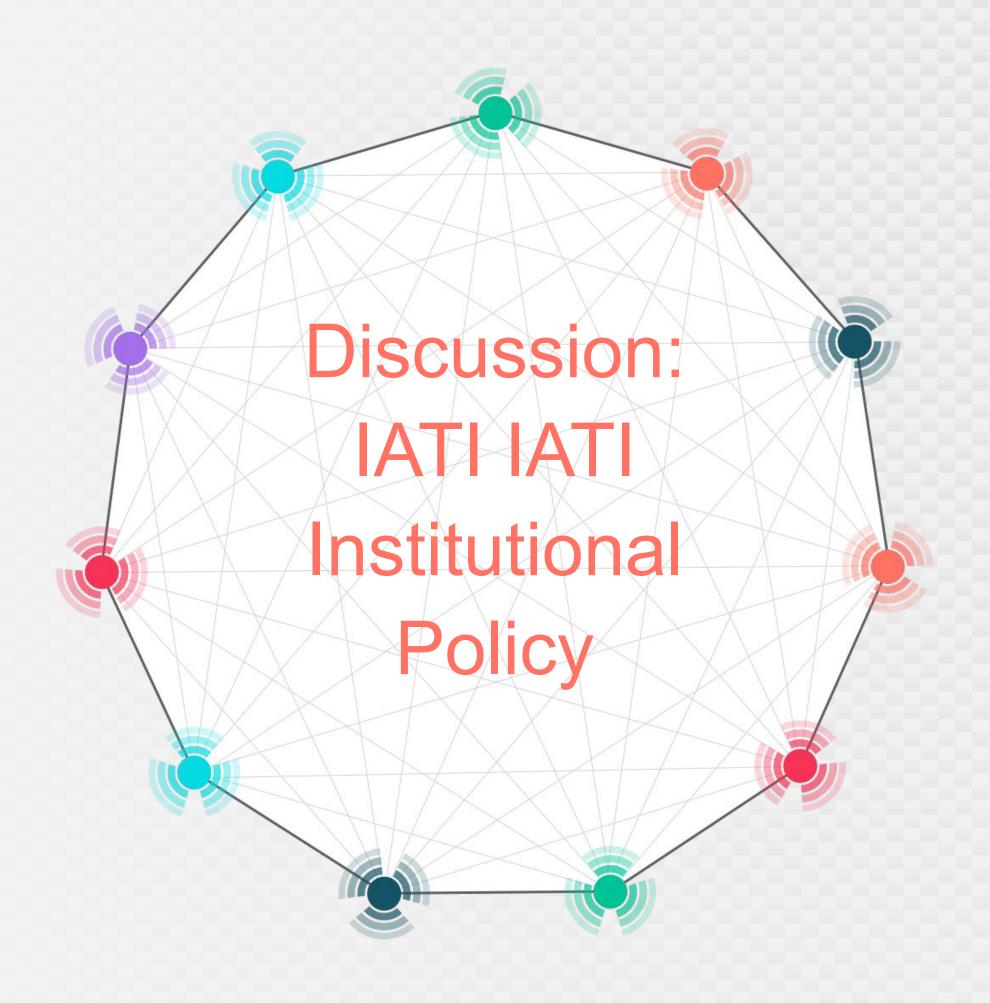
Financial contributions.





Coffee Break (15 minutes)





SESSION 7: Membership Discussion on Institutional Policy

Moderator: Winnie Kamau, Governing Board Association of Freelance Journalists 14 March 2023

Session 7: IATI Membership Management and Definition Key Issues (non-exhaustive)



Constituency categorisation

 Are the current categorisations (partner country government, provider, "CSOs and others") appropriate or helpful at all in the network context of IATI today and in the future?



Availability of waivers

- Should waivers be offered only to partner country governments, or also to CSOs?
- Clarification on the criteria and process for issuing, reviewing and renewing waivers.



Financial contributions

 What is the appropriate level of contribution for 2023 and beyond? (and for large private sector entities for which no level has yet been set?)



Governance and membership / "process"

- What is the definition of "good standing" of members, e.g. to be able to participate in a members-only vote, etc.?
- Should a grace period apply for members making late payments, and what status do organisations have when they are in arrears for a certain period?
- What factors might lead to the revocation of membership, and what process should apply in the case of closure, pause or revocation of membership?
- What due diligence factors should be considered following a request to join?

Small Group Breakouts (30 minutes)

Guiding Questions:



- 1. Which of these issues is most important for the Membership Working Group (MWG) to tackle (or is there an order of priority)?
- 2. From your / your constituency's point of view, are there key membership / governance issues missing from the list provided?
- 3. Is there important nuance (to one or more of the issues flagged) that the MWG should consider? Are there risks that you can foresee?
- 4. What are your initial reactions to each of the questions posed?

Remember to choose a rapporteur to report back to the plenary!

Plenary Discussion / Report Back

(30 minutes)

Report back to plenary for each of the small groups

(10 minutes)

Closing (Moderator, Winnie Kamau)

- What are key takeaways from the members' discussions, to be fed into the initial MWG discussions?
 - Are there those already interested in volunteering for the MWG (noting the process for establishing WGs as set out in the SOPs)?



SESSION 8: IATI Consortium Transitional Arrangements & 2023 Workplan

Presenter: Philip Drake, IATI Transition Manager
14 March 2023

PHASES OF TRANSITION

- o *OUT* (Dec 22 June 23)
- o PIVOT (Members' Vote, Mar 23)
- o IN (Mar 23 Dec 23)

Current delivery traffic light for the project is **AMBER**



1. TRANSITION 'OUT'

The first element of transition (Dec 22 to June 23) is largely about **capturing institutional knowledge** that is at risk of being lost when the current hosting consortium comes to an end;

Plan has identified 90+ individual tasks to be completed across nine of IATI's activity areas:



- 1. Accountability and Governance
- 2. Community and Communications
- 3. IATI Technical Infrastructure
- 4. Policy and Planning
- 5. Publisher and User Support
- 6. Stewardship of IATI Standard
- 7. Operations and Financial Management
- 8. Procurement and Contract Management
- 9. Financial Reporting And Closure (of current IATI arrangement)

Most of this work is on-track and scheduled to be completed in Q1 and Q2 of 2023.

This work is in addition to the work included in the 2023 transition work plan and budget.

2. PIVOT

- The selected option by Members will be the pivot by which IATI
 orients itself toward the new hosting arrangement.
- Transition planning to date has involved a number of assumptions concerning the future hosting arrangements which have been largely based on the potential outcomes of the Evaluation Panel assessment of bids received.
- However, the Governing Board has now expanded its recommendation beyond the assessment of the EP and Members will be asked to vote on a number of potential solutions.
- Each option available differs in terms of its impact on the complexity, duration and cost of transition.



3. TRANSITION 'IN'

The specifics of planning tasks for phase 2 of transition (Mar 23 – Dec 23) will **depend to a significant degree on the option chosen by members.** However broadly speaking the main areas of effort will be in the following areas:



- 1. Resourcing and HR/recruitment
- 2. Cooperation Agreement/MoU (IATI/UNDP/UNOPS)
- 3. Budget revision(s)
- 4. Technology transfer
- 5. Contract management
- 6. Financial close-out

Key underlying deliverable for all of transition activity is ensuring the continuity of service provision - no loss of access or degradation of service for users or publishers during transition.

2023 TRANSITION WORKPLAN AND BUDGET

It should be noted that normal IATI activity has been reduced during the transition period to allow personnel to focus on delivering the critical elements of transition.

It should also be noted that Transition Project activities are not included in this workplan (they are in a separate project plan).



As such, the workplan and budget only covers standard IATI activities to be undertaken during the transition period.

2023 TRANSITION WORKPLAN AND BUDGET

The transition budget and work plan currently in place and run from January to June 2023. It covers activities for the following Strategic Plan objectives for that period:

1. Partner Country Support

a. Improving accessibility & capacity to analyze and understand IATI data CDFD, (USD32k)

2. Improving IATI Data Quality

a. Contractor support for data quality, establishing strategic partnership with PWYF (USD367k)

3. Promoting Systematic Data Use

a. Awareness raising activities (USD19k)

4. Consolidating Technical Core

a. Management of integrated platform, hosting & maintenance activities, implementing publishing tool, assorted contractor/consultant costs (USD119k)

5. Strengthening the IATI Community

a. Community engagement activities (USD48k)

6. Outreach/Comms

- a. Publication costs for IATI Annual report, outreach and engagement activities (USD25k)
- 7. Institutional Arrangements and Admin/Enabling Actions (travel, training, workshop facilitation etc.)
 - 8. Transition (Transition Manager personnel costs only)
 - 9. Personnel Costs

SOME RISKS OF TRANSITION

- Post-transition IATI governance/management arrangements delayed (Delay in endorsing new hosting arrangement due to delay in finalising any element of bidding process (either in EP, GB or MA)
- Loss of IATI technical and institutional knowledge during transition process
 (Employees leaving existing host entities without knowledge transfer to new hosts.
 Particularly impactful concerning developers, business analysts and other technical staff)
- Difficult working relationship between existing hosting partners leads to slow down of delivery of IATI work during transition and slows the overall pace of transition itself
- Insufficient FTE or budget allocated for transition tasks
- Loss of access or degradation of service for IATI users or publishers during transition
- Reputational risk to IATI due to delayed transition