OVERVIEW

Operating in around 170 countries, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is one of the world’s largest multilateral development agencies and aims to eradicate poverty. UNDP became an IATI member and first published to the IATI Registry in November 2011. UNDP currently hosts the IATI Secretariat.

2020
VERY GOOD

2018
VERY GOOD

2016
VERY GOOD

2014
VERY GOOD

2013
VERY GOOD

ANALYSIS

UNDP remained in the ‘very good’ category, a level it has maintained for the past five Indexes. However, this year it has dropped eight points from 2020, falling from third to seventh overall in the 2022 Index. UNDP published to the IATI Registry on a monthly basis and disclosed data for all 35 indicators of the Index.

UNDP performed best on the project attributes indicators, scoring the fourth highest score overall for this component. It performed highly across all the finance and budget indicators, only slightly dropping points for project budgets as these were annual and not quarterly. UNDP scored nearly full points for the joining-up development data component but failed data quality checks for the tenders indicator as they were not available consistently. We found tenders in other formats. It also dropped points on the networked data indicator as recognised organisational references were only available for less than 60% of participating organisations.

UNDP scored full points for the majority of the organisational planning and commitments indicators except its allocation policy and organisational strategy. These failed quality checks as they were out of date. Both were found in other formats and scored accordingly.

UNDP published all performance related data to the IATI Registry but dropped nearly five points on this component. This was due to its pre-project impact appraisals scoring no points as they did not contain full positive and negative secondary impacts of the activity. Objectives, results, and reviews and evaluations nearly all scored full points.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- UNDP should prioritise the timely and consistent publication of its allocation policy and organisational strategy.
- UNDP should focus on improving its publication of detailed project budgets across its activities.
- UNDP can make tenders available in its IATI Registry publication.
- UNDP should publish all project performance information such as pre-project impact appraisals.
- UNDP can improve the publication of recognised organisation references for its partners using the latest guidance from the IATI community.
Organisational planning and commitments

Score: 12.8 / 15

ABOUT COMPONENT

This component looks at the overall aims and strategy of an organisation. We check for any public commitments to aid transparency. We also make sure audits are published and if planning documents have been published, including by parent organisations (including national governments) where applicable. We make note of any Freedom of Information laws and critically, we make sure that organisations have tried to make their information easy to access and understand. You should not have to be an expert in open data to be able to find and use this information.

Finance and budgets

Score: 23.6 / 25

ABOUT COMPONENT

This component is critical to allow you and anyone else to follow the money. We expect to find the total budget of the organisation being assessed, right down to individual transactions for each development activity. In particular, forward-looking budgets from donors are important for partner country governments to be able to plan their own future finances.
**Project attributes**

**Score: 19.5 / 20**

**ABOUT COMPONENT**

This component refers to descriptive, non-financial data, including basics like the title and description of a project. Information like this is important as it is often the entry point for data users to quickly understand what a project is about. We also look for other information that helps to put a project in context, such as its sub-national location or the sector that the project deals with, for example, education or agriculture.

- Title: Score: 1
- Description: Score: 2.97
- Planned dates: Score: 1
- Actual dates: Score: 1
- Current status: Score: 1
- Contact details: Score: 1
- Sectors: Score: 2.5
- Sub-national location: Score: 3.41
- Conditions: Score: 3.13
- Unique ID: Score: 2.5

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**Joining-up development data**

**Score: 18.6 / 20**

**ABOUT COMPONENT**

This component looks at how well an organisation’s data is able to be linked and connected with other bits of information. There is a diverse nature of flows, activities and actors within the development sector. Aid and development finance data needs to be effectively linked and connected with the rest to provide a full picture for the user. This can be particularly important for partner country governments, which need to integrate information on aid with their own budgets and systems.

- Flow type: Score: 3
- Aid type: Score: 3
- Finance type: Score: 3
- Tied aid status: Score: 3
- Networked Data - Implementors: Score: 3.33
- Networked Data - Participating Orgs: Score: 1.17
- Project procurement: Score: 2.14
Performance
Score: 13.5 / 20

ABOUT COMPONENT

This component refers to the essential data and documents that assess whether a project is on track or has been achieved. This includes things like baseline surveys, progress against targets, mid-term reviews and end of project evaluations. This information is important to hold aid organisations to account and also to share knowledge with others on what worked and what did not during a project.

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