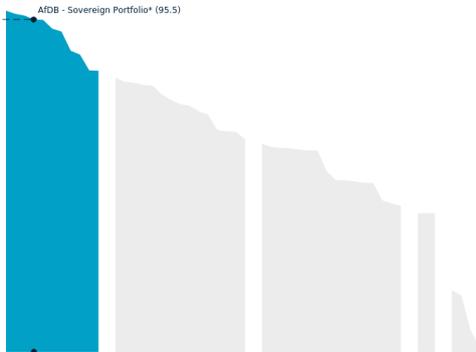


African Development Bank (AfDB) – Sovereign Portfolio*



SCORE:
95.5

POSITION:
4/47

2020
VERY GOOD

OVERVIEW

The African Development Bank (AfDB) promotes regional cooperation and unity across the African region. It provides non-concessional and concessional loans, equity investments, loan guarantees, grants, and technical assistance to lower and middle-income governments and the private sector. The AfDB became an IATI member in 2011 and started publishing IATI data in June 2013.

Organisational planning and commitments
14.4 / 15

Finance and budgets
25 / 25

Project attributes
20 / 20

Joining-up development data
19.7 / 20

Performance
16.4 / 20

ANALYSIS

AfDB-Sovereign Portfolio scored in the 'very good' category. Since we could not find data about the AfDB's private sector portfolio, only the sovereign portfolio was assessed for this index.

AfDB publishes data about its sovereign portfolio to the IATI Registry on a monthly basis.

AfDB-Sovereign Portfolio ranked fourth in the Index. All the information captured by the Index was available on the IATI Registry, and was scored as such, apart from the results indicator from the **performance** component, which failed our data quality sampling. Actual results data and documentation were not consistently available. We scored AfDB-Sovereign Portfolio in the manual survey for results instead.

We awarded AfDB-Sovereign Portfolio top scores for the quality of IATI data in the **finance and budgets** and **project attributes** components. It also performed very well on the **joining-up development data** component, but the score dropped slightly because it did not publish contracts and tenders for all its activities. For the **performance** category, AfDB-Sovereign Portfolio did not publish reviews and evaluations for all the relevant activities that we tested. AfDB-Sovereign Portfolio scored very well for the **organisational planning and commitments** component, however, it lost points for the quality of FOI legislation indicator due to the exceptions articles in its disclosure and access to information policy. These do not apply an objective harm test to confidentiality of third-party information provided, which fails one of our three criteria for this indicator.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- AfDB should publish data about all of its activities so that we can make an assessment of the bank as a whole rather than just a subset of its projects.
- AfDB should include up to date results in data or documents to show progress against targets regularly throughout its projects.
- It should ensure that it discloses contracts, tenders, reviews and evaluations for all activities where possible.
- AfDB should review the exceptions articles in its disclosure and access to information policy and include an objective harm test for confidentiality of information provided by third parties.

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Organisational planning and commitments

Score: 14.4 / 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 in place 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.

Quality of FOI legislation

Score: 1.25



Accessibility

Score: 1.88



Organisation strategy

Score: 1.88



Annual report

Score: 1.88



Allocation policy

Score: 1.88



Procurement policy

Score: 1.88



Strategy (country/sector) or Memorandum of Understanding

Score: 1.86



Audit

Score: 1.88



Finance and budgets

Score: 25 / 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.

Disaggregated budget

Score: 4.17



Project budget

Score: 3.33



Project budget document

Score: 3.33



Commitments

Score: 3.33



Disbursements and expenditures

Score: 3.33



Budget Alignment

Score: 3.33



Total organisation budget

Score: 4.17



Total Organisation Budget

Score: 4.17



Project attributes

Score: 20 / 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 (rather than simply being pin pointed to a capital city or the centre of a country) or the sector that the project deals with, for example, education or agriculture.

Title Score: 1



Description Score: 1



Planned dates Score: 1



Actual dates Score: 1



Current status Score: 1



Contact details Score: 1



Sectors Score: 3.5



Sub-national location Score: 3.5



Implementer Score: 3.5



Unique ID Score: 3.5



Joining-up development data

Score: 19.7 / 20

ABOUT COMPONENT

This component looks at how well a donor'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

Flow type Score: 3.33



Aid type Score: 3.33



Finance type Score: 3.33



full picture for the user. This can be particularly important for partner country governments, who need to integrate information on aid with their own budgets and systems.

Tied aid status Score: 3.33



Conditions Score: 3.33



Project procurement Score: 3.08



Performance

Score: 16.4 / 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 donors to account and also to share knowledge with others on what worked and what did not during a project.

Objectives Score: 5



Pre-project impact appraisals Score: 5



Reviews and evaluations Score: 4.75



Results Score: 1.67

