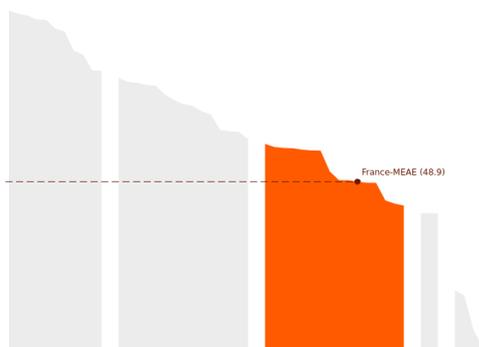


France, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE)



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| SCORE: 48.9 | POSITION: 37/47 | 2020 FAIR |
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OVERVIEW

The Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE) sets France's development cooperation policy. France-MEAE provides or loans project aid, budgetary aid, and technical assistance. France-MEAE is not an IATI member but has published IATI data since January 2014.

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| 2018 FAIR | 2016 POOR | 2014 FAIR | 2013 VERY POOR |
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Organisational planning and commitments
6.9 / 15

Finance and budgets
10.6 / 25

Project attributes
18.2 / 20

Joining-up development data
13.3 / 20

Performance
0 / 20

ANALYSIS

France-MEAE remained in the 'fair' category in the 2020 Index but has improved its score by three points since 2018. It published to the IATI Registry on a monthly basis.

France-MEAE scored poorly for the **finance and budgets** component failing to score for the following indicators: total organisation budget, disaggregated budget, and project budget documents. For the **joining-up development data** component, it scored maximum points for aid type, finance type, flow type, and tied aid status, but did not publish conditions, contracts, or tender documents. For the **organisational planning and commitments** component, France-MEAE lost points for either failing to score against certain indicators (allocation policy and audit) or for not publishing certain information to the IATI Registry (annual report, organisation strategy, procurement policy, and country/sector strategies). It failed to score any points for the **performance** component as a result of not sharing objectives, pre-project impact appraisals, results, or reviews and evaluations. France-MEAE scored above average for the **project attributes** component scoring against all indicators except for contact details.

Where France-MEAE published data, it is comprehensive and meets indicator definitions. However, frequently information is either missing (e.g. for the performance component) or France-MEAE did not publish it to the IATI Registry (e.g., finance and budget information).

RECOMMENDATIONS

- To improve impact transparency, France-MEAE should commence publication of performance information including objectives, pre-project impact appraisals, results and reviews and evaluations.
- To improve transparency regarding organisational planning and commitments France-MEAE should provide allocation policies and audits, and publish these and other documents to the IATI Registry.
- France-MEAE should publish key budget documents to the IATI Registry including disaggregated budgets, project budgets, and project budget documents.

Organisational planning and commitments

Score: 6.9 / 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: 0.94



Annual report

Score: 0.94



Allocation policy

Score: 0



Procurement policy

Score: 0.94



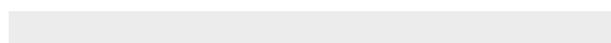
Strategy (country/sector) or Memorandum of Understanding

Score: 0.94



Audit

Score: 0



Finance and budgets

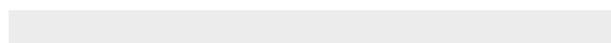
Score: 10.6 / 25

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.

Disaggregated budget

Score: 0



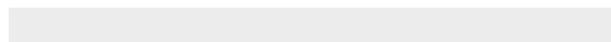
Project budget

Score: 1.67



Project budget document

Score: 0



Commitments

Score: 3.33



Disbursements and expenditures

Score: 3.31



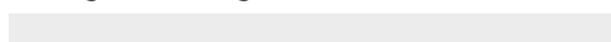
Budget Alignment

Score: 2.26



Total organisation budget

Score: 0

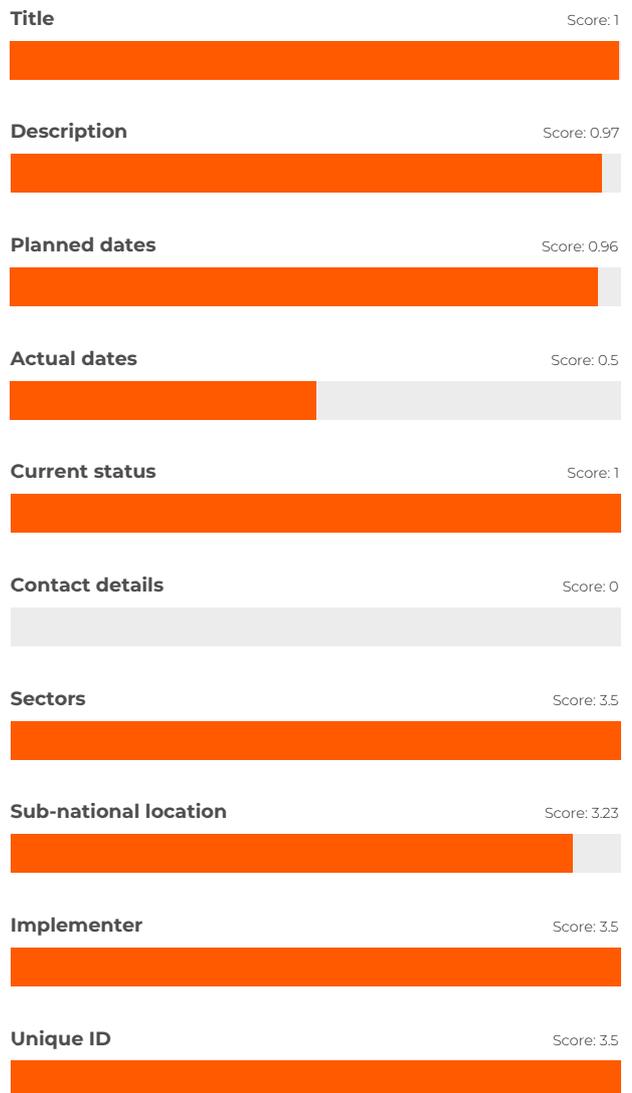


Project attributes

Score: 18.2 / 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.



Joining-up development data

Score: 13.3 / 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 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.



Conditions

Score: 0

Project procurement

Score: 0

Performance

Score: 0 / 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: 0

Pre-project impact appraisals

Score: 0

Reviews and evaluations

Score: 0

Results

Score: 0