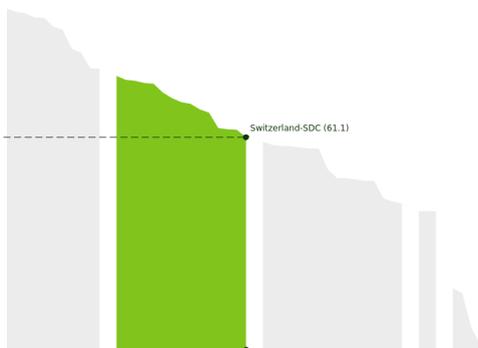


Switzerland, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)



SCORE: 61.1	POSITION: 26/47	2020 GOOD
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OVERVIEW

The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) is responsible for Switzerland’s overall coordination of development and cooperation with Eastern Europe, as well as for humanitarian aid delivered by the Swiss Confederation. Switzerland-SDC is not an IATI member, but first published IATI data in November 2013.

2018 FAIR	2016 FAIR	2014 FAIR	2013 VERY POOR
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Organisational planning and commitments
11.5 / 15

Finance and budgets
14.6 / 25

Project attributes
16.7 / 20

Joining-up development data
15.8 / 20

Performance
2.5 / 20

ANALYSIS

Switzerland-SDC improved its score by ten points and moved into the ‘good’ category for the 2020 Index. It increased the frequency at which it published to the IATI Registry from less than quarterly in 2018 to quarterly in 2020.

Switzerland-SDC made all **project attributes** available in the comparable IATI format. However, its descriptions did not pass our data quality checks due to duplications of the title or being too vague. Since the 2018 Index, it added start dates and locations as well, but less than 2 percent of activities contained a narrative location whilst it published no coordinate locations.

Switzerland-SDC performs well on **joining-up development data**. We awarded it 95 percent of the scores for the majority of the indicators apart from its procurement data. We could not find contracts and tenders consistently on its website either.

Switzerland-SDC scored close to the average on the **organisational planning** component. It published five out of the six indicators to the IATI Registry. We found an allocation policy published on its website. In addition, it did not publish country strategies consistently.

It published data for five out of the seven **finance and budget** indicators in the comparable IATI format including commitments, disaggregated budgets, and disbursements and expenditures. There is room for improvement, however, as Switzerland-SDC published these indicators across less than 40 percent of its activities. It also did not publish project budget details to the IATI Registry and, whilst we found individual project budgets in other formats on its aid portal, we found no project budget documents available. We found full three-year forward-looking organisational budgets as IATI data.

As in 2018, Switzerland-SDC did not publish data for any **performance** indicators to the IATI Registry and only consistently provided objectives in other formats. Whilst Switzerland-SDC sometimes made results and reviews and evaluations available, it did not provide pre-project impact appraisals at all.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Switzerland-SDC needs to improve the quality of some of its project attribute data sets by providing more detailed descriptions and more sub-national locations.
- Switzerland-SDC should publish its allocation policy to its organisational file on the IATI Registry.

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- Switzerland-SDC should improve the comprehensiveness of its publication to include project budget information as well as contracts and tenders.
- It should prioritise the publication of performance-related information, including pre-project impact appraisals, reviews and evaluations, and results.

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Organisational planning and commitments

Score: 11.5 / 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.

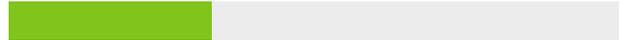
Quality of FOI legislation

Score: 1.25



Accessibility

Score: 0.62



Organisation strategy

Score: 1.88



Annual report

Score: 1.88



Allocation policy

Score: 0.94



Procurement policy

Score: 1.88



Strategy (country/sector) or Memorandum of Understanding

Score: 1.18



Audit

Score: 1.88



Finance and budgets

Score: 14.6 / 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.

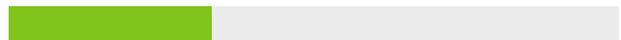
Disaggregated budget

Score: 2.68



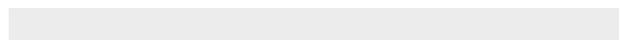
Project budget

Score: 1.11



Project budget document

Score: 0



Commitments

Score: 2.18



Disbursements and expenditures

Score: 2.3





Project attributes

Score: 16.7 / 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.



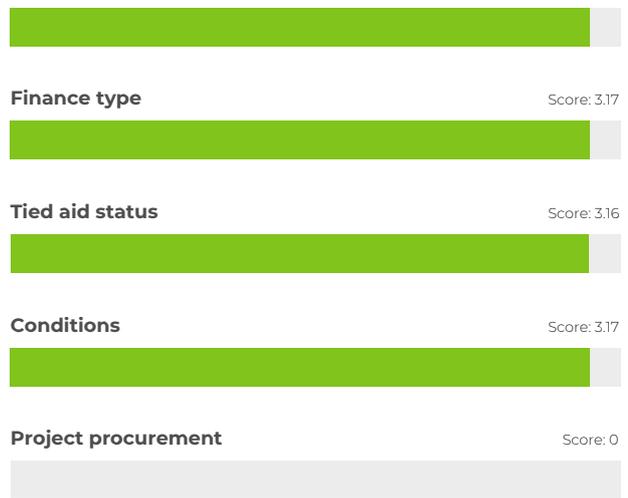
Joining-up development data

Score: 15.8 / 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.



Performance

Score: 2.5 / 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 donors to account and also to share knowledge with others on what worked and what did not during a project.

