

The International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI)

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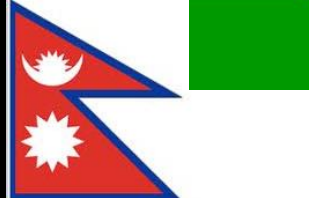


Main points

- Geographic information is critical to effective transparency
- IATI offers a standard approach for comparable and re-usable data
- It's challenging for many aid providers, and OAP is an excellent opportunity to operationalise IATI commitments
- Let's get to it

International Aid Transparency Initiative

- Launched in Sept 2008 at the Accra HLF, endorsed at Busan
- Aims to increase aid transparency, particularly at country level
- **A standard** for sharing data about aid flows that meets partner country needs
- **Multi-stakeholder** initiative



1) High Demand: a lot of people want information



Why aid transparency ?

- Partner country governments need better aid information to manage resources effectively;
- Parliaments, CSOs and citizens need better aid information to hold governments to account;
- Beneficiaries need access to aid information to create feedback loops;
- Donors need better aid information to assist coordination and ensure their effectiveness
- Taxpayers in donor countries want to know how their money is being spent

ACCOUNTABILITY

OWNERSHIP

EFFICIENCY

RESULTS

FEEDBACK

CORRUPTION

PREDICTABILITY

Traceability

DIVERSION

EFFECTIVENESS

COORDINATION

BUDGET PLANNING

Demonstrating Results

What do people want?

1. **Detailed information:** allocation and EXECUTION
 - Which communities will benefit (geographic information)
 - Which organisation are involved
 - In what form is aid given
2. **Timely information**
3. **Comparable information covering all aid providers and all resources**
4. **Information that is accessible to ALL users**
 - User centric, not producer centric
 - Transparency of resources not organisations
5. **Efficiency and re-use**

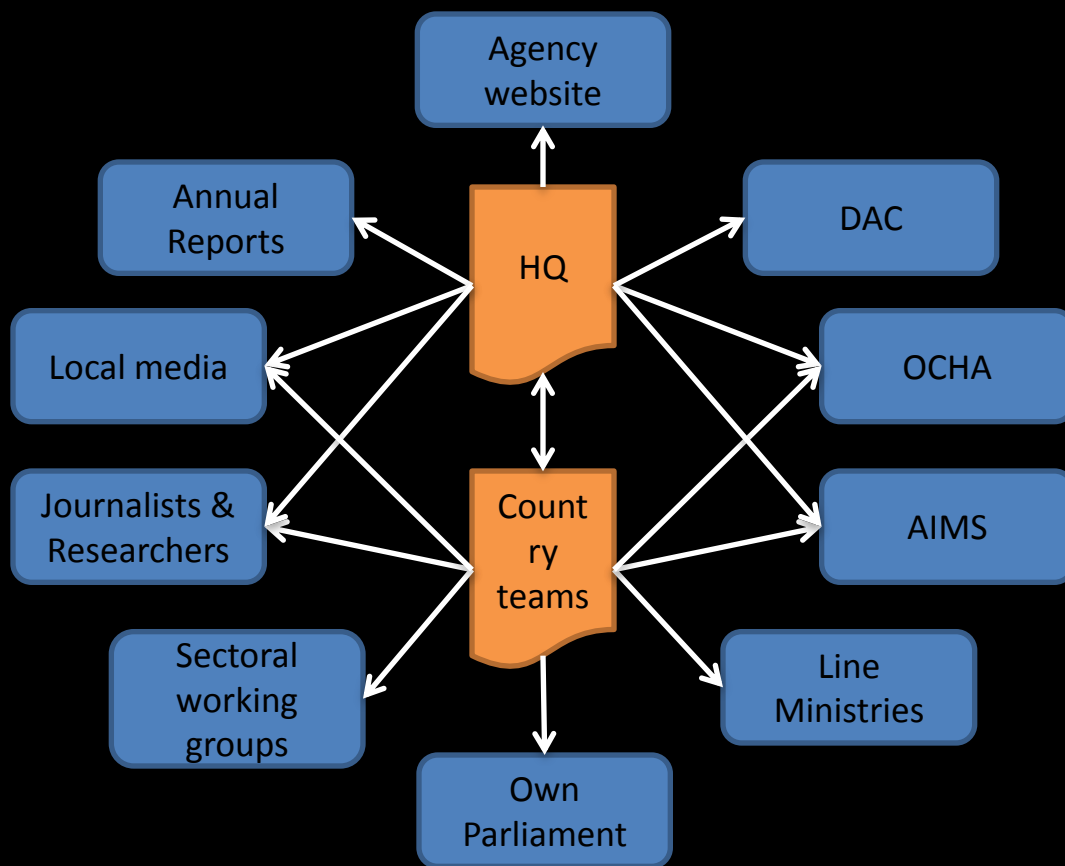
The case for geographic information

- **Exploit opportunities for mapping and other technological innovations**
- **Communities can identify the projects and resources that are intended to serve them – regardless of source**
- **Enables Government, private sector, service delivery NGOs to allocate complementary investments**
- **Greater coordination for donors: more effective allocation**
- **Linking services to financing – creating feedback loops**
- **More detailed analysis of impact**
- **It is already requested by Governments**

2) Inadequate supply: There is a lot of data out there.....but it is not being used



“We are already publishing a lot!!”

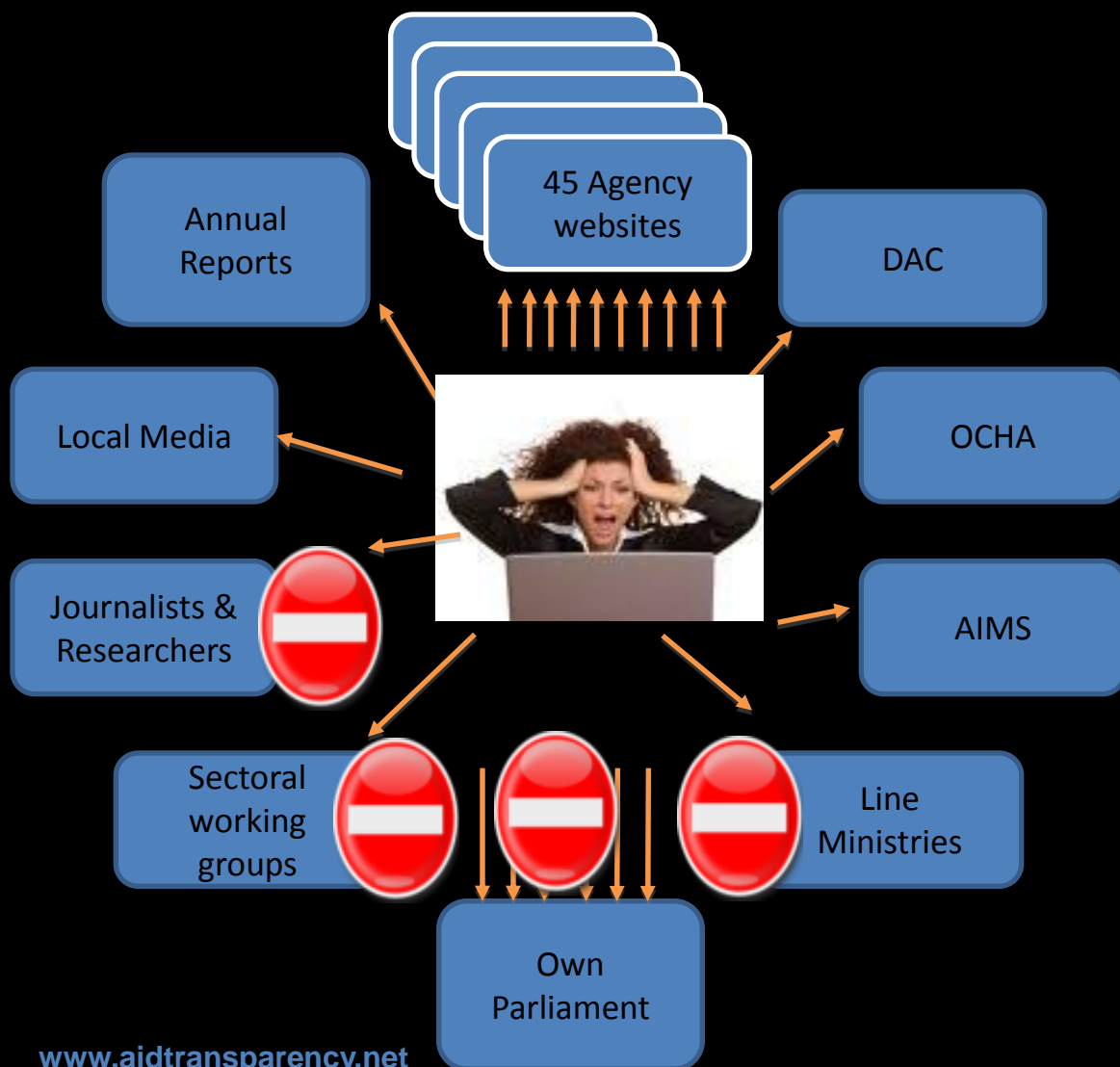


Donors already publish to many systems and services

BUT

- Significant burden
- Results in inconsistencies
- Country offices & HQ are unaware of transparency initiatives

... but the information is hard to find and use

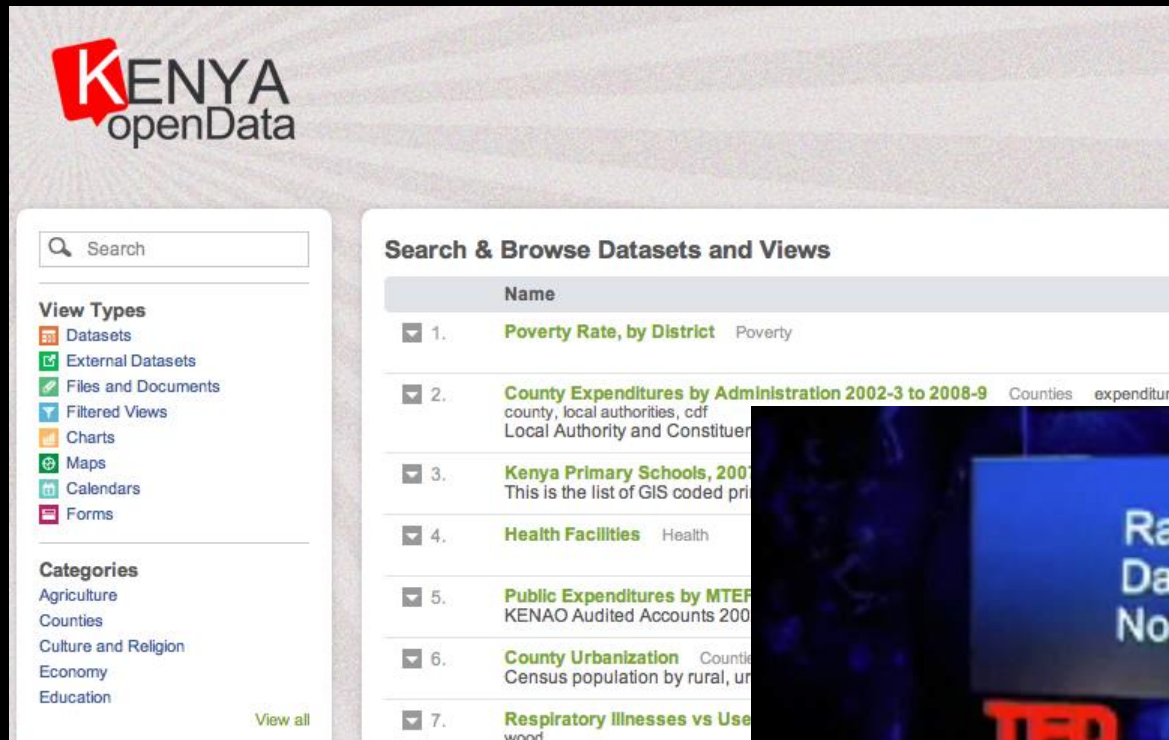


Systems are producer rather than user oriented

Information can be:

- hard to find
- inconsistent
- scattered across multiple sites
- unavailable

The Solution: IATI & Open Data



The screenshot shows the Kenya Open Data portal. At the top left is the logo "KENYA openData". Below it is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the word "Search". To the left of the main content area is a sidebar with "View Types" (Datasets, External Datasets, Files and Documents, Filtered Views, Charts, Maps, Calendars, Forms) and "Categories" (Agriculture, Counties, Culture and Religion, Economy, Education). The main content area is titled "Search & Browse Datasets and Views" and contains a table of datasets.

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IATI: an open data approach

- **An open data standard for data on aid flows**
 - Including geographic information (based on WBI/DG)
 - Longitude & latitude
 - Administrative regions
 - Freetext
 - Gazateer (e.g. geonames)
- **A commitment to a common approach to publishing**
 - Open, raw data
 - Publish once, use everywhere
 - Reuse data
 - Resuse tools

IATI: A platform supporting a vibrant ecosystem

Aid Management Platform

Helping governments and the private sector manage aid effectively

An integrated aid information system

The Aid Management Platform management system implements aid management from planning through implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting. It provides government officials and donor information, generate charts, graphs, trends and statistics, and produce reports that show commitments, disbursements, and development spending. Highly country's national development administrative workload and coordination with donors. AMP countries on 4 continents.

Aid Information and Report

- Record information of projects from planning
- Access granular data by fiscal year, region, and project
- Produce reports that show commitments, disbursements, and development spending
- Create customized user dashboards
- Integrate AMP with other systems (including budget systems)

Dashboards and Mapping

- Use data analysis tool to aid information


OpenAid + Register

Open Aid Register helps non-profit and NGOs publish their aid data for transparency and accountability.

This is all you have to do to make your organization be transparent.

1. Sign up for an account

2. Fill in the form for your organization



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DevTrac

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About Devtrac

DevTrac is a Ugandan initiative led by a consortium of government and donor agencies: including the GEO-15 Working group, OCHA, Uganda Bureau of Statistics and UNICEF - to visualize and monitor the status of national services (schools, health centers, water points, etc) and development projects.

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Report Items

79

Health Facilities

92

Schools

14

Water Points

Legend

Admin Boundaries


- District
- Counties
- Sub-Counties
- Parishes


Roads


- Primary Roads
- Secondary Roads
- Connector Roads


Populated Places


- Main Town Centers
- Town Centers


 School


 Government


 Health Facilities

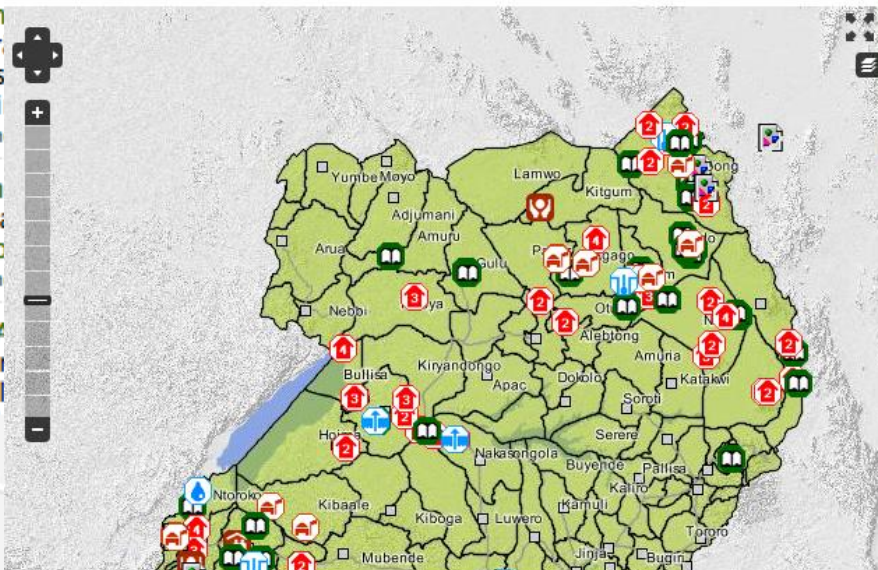
 Clinic

 Hospital


 Health Center 2

 Health Center 3


 Health Center 4




25 ORGANISATIONS PUBLISHED




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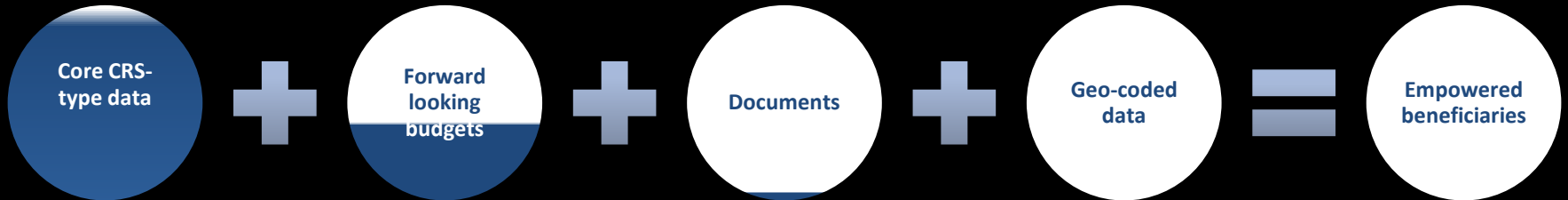


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FOUNDATION

It's early days...we need better info..



Two final messages

1. Geocoding is critical – let's get to it

- OAP is a great opportunity

1. Do it as part of the IATI process

- Meet Busan commitments
- Reusable data: publish once, use everywhere
- Comparable data and user-centric transparency
- Avoid duplication of effort (and engage country offices)
- Re-usable tools
- Sustainable processes: mainstream into existing project management processes
- OAP is a great opportunity