## Scorecard: Output reporting and accessibility

Global Fund

2.3

- **3.4** / 4 Output accessibility
  - Is project-level data centralized and accessible?
- **2.0** / 4 Ease of extraction
  - Are project-level reports standardized and available in open formats?
- **3.1** / 4 Output reporting clarity
  - How frequently and consistently are outputs reported?
- **1.8** / 4 Output Dataset Transparency
  - Are tabular and/ or spatial datasets gathered and available?
- **1.2** / 4 Output Reporting System
  - Are there project-level reporting policies in place?
- \* Scores based on one-country sample (Ghana)

Comparison with other scored organizations

First round of scores complete		
World Bank	3.36	
PEPFAR	3.32	
DFID	3.26	
MCC	2.62	
USAID	2.6	
DFATD	2.4	
Global Fund	2.3	
UNDP	2.28	
WFP	2.22	
IFAD	2.16	
JICA	2.14	
AfDB	2.04	
DANIDA	2.02	
UNICEF	1.92	
WHO	1.42	
FAO	0.94	

## **Next steps/ suggested improvements:**

1. Establish a standardized results terminology reference for terms commonly used in M&E documents such as "output" and "outcome" to promote consistent results reporting

- 2. Though GF makes widespread use of <a href="standardized monitoring templates">standardized monitoring templates</a> that have a dataset format (such as the <a href="Progress Update/Disbursement">Progress Update/Disbursement</a>, an Excel template for the Rounds-Based Funding Model (RBFM), and <a href="health">health</a> subsector-specific standardized spreadsheet tracking templates, the actual datasets are not publicly released; rather, GF adds additional qualitative/narrative information to these datasets and converts them to PDF format before releasing them publicly.
- 3. Create and publish an access to information policy that lays out expectations about which data GF must release publicly, how they must do so, and by when.
  - a. Such a policy will increase organization-wide accountability and transparency as laid out in the <a href="Core PUDR Guidelines document">Core PUDR Guidelines document</a>, which explains that project teams must submit monitoring datasets to GF at regular intervals.

Subcomponent breakdown and justifications:

Category	Component	Score	Discussion
Monitoring Data Accessibility	Site Stability	3	At infrequent points through multiple visits to the site over the course of 4 months, the team experienced slow load times or pages that did not load properly the first time.
	Site Navigability	3	The GF is largely easily navigable thanks to clearly labeled subsections like "Data" and "Policies, Guidelines, and Templates." Generating project lists for multiple countries in one click is not possible, however, due to the structure of the portfolio section of the GF site (http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/portfolio/). This section is map/click-based, rather than database formatted. As such, the section lacks basic search and sort functionality. This makes it difficult for users to generate comprehensive project lists.
	Central Portal or Site	4	All project documentation is available through central page (http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/portfolio/)
Ease of Automatic Monitoring Data Extraction	Use of Open Formats	0	Project documentation for all projects in our sample is offered in .pdf format
	Distribution of Monitoring Template to Project Teams	4	GF offers extensive monitoring templates and in depth instructions on its Templates page (http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/templates/). These templates include the Progress Update/Disbursement Excel template for the Rounds-Based Funding Model (RBFM) (http://www.theglobalfund.org/documents/core/forms/Core_PUDR_Form_en/). Health subsector-specific standardized spreadsheet tracking templates can be found in the Guidelines section (http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/guidelines/)
	Use of Standardized Monitoring Template	4	All projects that offer documentation (100%) make use of the GF standardized monitoring templates
Monitoring and Reporting Clarity	Legibility of Results Documentati on	4	All project documentation is offered in .PDF format
	Completenes s of Monitoring Reporting	3.5	Monitoring data were found for 8/9 (89%) of the projects in our sample.

	Internal Consistency with Results Terminology	0	We could not locate an official GF terminology reference.
	Precision of Monitoring Reporting	4	Due to the widespread use of the database formatted GF monitoring templates, monitoring data throughout project documentation are quantified and precise.
Monitoring Dataset Transparen cy	Availability of Monitoring Datasets	4	The Core PUDR Guidelines document (http://www.theglobalfund.org/documents/core/guidelines/Core_PUDR_G uidelines_en/) explain that project teams must submit monitoring datasets to GF at regular intervals. Moreover, project documentation for all projects in our sample included dataset-formatted monitoring sections. Though these datasets are not made publically available, there is ample evidence that monitoring datasets exist somewhere along the reporting chain.
	Accessibility of Monitoring Datasets	2	Though GF makes widespread use of standardized monitoring templates that have a dataset format, the actual datasets are not available publically. Rather, GF adds additional qualitative/narrative information to these datasets and converts them to PDF format before releasing them publically.
	Availability of Monitoring Spatial Data	0	No projects in our total sample of 9 (0%) disaggregate outputs geographically. Further, we could not find any GIS/georeferencing policy on the GF site, nor any sections in GF manuals that discuss the need for project managers to track and report spatial data.
	Accessibility of Monitoring Spatial Data	0	None of the projects in our sample (0%) geographically disaggregated monitoring data in the project documentation.
Monitoring and Reporting System	Standardized Terminology	0	We could not locate an official GF terminology reference.
	Monitoring and Reporting Policy or Framework	4	GF lays out clear expectations for results monitoring and reporting in its Operational Policy Manual (http://www.theglobalfund.org/documents/core/manuals/Core_Operation alPolicy_Manual_en/), including who should track/report monitoring data, how, and when.
	Free Public Access to Monitoring Information Policy	0	We could not locate an official GF access to information policy.