

35. Finland – Ministry of Foreign Affairs

TOTAL

38.5%

SECTION A

COMMITMENT TO AID TRANSPARENCY:

4.10/10

SECTION B

PUBLICATION ORGANISATION LEVEL:

10.56/25

SECTION C

PUBLICATION ACTIVITY LEVEL:

23.79/65

Overview

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is responsible for implementing Finland's development policy, the primary objectives of which are the promotion of gender equality, the reduction of inequality and the promotion of climate sustainability.

Challenges and room for improvement

- The transparency of Finland has gone backwards in the 2016 Index reflected by the organisation's falling back into the 'poor' category, having achieved the rank of 'fair' in 2014.
- Finland only publishes to the IATI Registry at a frequency of less than quarterly.
- None of the items assessed in the Index which could be found on the organisation's website are published in a machine-readable format.
- No activity-related documents are published to the IATI Registry. Budget documents are not published at all. No activity performance information is published in any format.

Recommendations

- Finland should aim to publish to the IATI Registry at least quarterly, if not monthly. Furthermore, it should make marked improvements to the comprehensiveness of its IATI publication, both at the organisation and activity level.
- It should publish a complete organisation file to the IATI Registry and make country strategies consistently available. It should also provide detailed disaggregated budget information and budgets on its development activities.
- Finland should provide a searchable project database or aid portal under and open licence to promote use with its counterparts.

Have they met the Busan commitment on aid transparency?

☐ yes ☐ partly ☒ no

National, regional or international commitments to aid transparency?

- 2011 EU Transparency Guarantee

Donor Profile

2016 Index:
POOR 38.5%

2014 Index:
FAIR 46.3%

2013 Index:
POOR 23.0%

First published to IATI:
NOVEMBER 2011

Frequency of publication	Less than quarterly
Indicators published to IATI	16/36
Activity budgets	Not published
Total budget	2 years – IATI
Disaggregated budgets	Not published

This table highlights the organisation's performance in providing timely, comprehensive and forward-looking aid data in a comparable and open format.

- Frequency of publication is measured by the IATI Dashboard.
- Comprehensiveness is measured against the indicators used in the Index at the organisation and activity levels and their publication in the open and comparable IATI Standard.
- Forward-looking budgets for the organisation and its development activities are measured by indicators 9, 10 and 33.