

12. Canada – Global Affairs Canada (GAC)

TOTAL

76.3%

SECTION A

COMMITMENT TO
AID TRANSPARENCY:

8.68/10

SECTION B

PUBLICATION
ORGANISATION LEVEL:

20.41/25

SECTION C

PUBLICATION
ACTIVITY LEVEL:

47.23/65

Overview

Having changed its name in 2015, Global Affairs Canada is the largest grantor of Canadian ODA and leads Canada's bilateral development assistance. Canada has seven development priorities: increasing food security; securing the future of children and youth; stimulating sustainable economic growth; maternal, new-born and child health; environmental sustainability; gender equality and governance.

Achievements and progress

- Canada-GAC has published four new indicators to the IATI Registry at the activity level with budget identifiers, disbursements and expenditures, sub-national location and tied aid status all available through the registry.
- Canada-GAC is among the top five performers on classification indicators at the activity level.
- Canada-GAC now publishes to the IATI Registry at a frequency of monthly.

Challenges and room for improvement

- GAC does not publish six activity-level indicators to IATI. This includes most related-documents. Of these, Memoranda of Understanding are published sometimes in other formats while budget documents and impact appraisals are not published anywhere.
- The quality and breadth of the publication of a number of activity-level indicators are challenging Canada's transparency efforts. Planned start dates, sub-national locations, quarterly budgets, the budget identifier, results documents and conditions documents all score poorly or are not published.

Recommendations

- Canada-GAC should continue to work on improving the breadth and quality of its data, ensuring its organisation file is always up to date. It should work towards making all indicators available to the IATI Registry.
- Canada-GAC should continue to champion work on the IATI budget identifier.
- It should realise the benefits of its transparency efforts and design a strategy for internal and external use of its data particularly at country level.

Have they met the Busan commitment on aid transparency?

☐ yes ☒ partly ☐ no

National, regional or international commitments to aid transparency?

- 2013 G7 commitment

Donor Profile

2016 Index:
GOOD 76.3%

2014 Index:
GOOD 71.7%

2013 Index:
FAIR 62.6%

First published to IATI:
OCTOBER 2012

Frequency of publication	Monthly
Indicators published to IATI	28/36
Activity budgets	IATI
Total budget	2 years – IATI
Disaggregated budgets	2 years – IATI

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.