

16. Netherlands – Ministry of Foreign Affairs

TOTAL

66.6%

SECTION A

COMMITMENT TO AID TRANSPARENCY:

6.97/10

SECTION B

PUBLICATION ORGANISATION LEVEL:

19.59/25

SECTION C

PUBLICATION ACTIVITY LEVEL:

40.02/65

Overview

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is the organisation responsible for Dutch bilateral development cooperation. The Netherlands was one of the first donors to begin publishing to the IATI Registry in September 2011 and is the current chair of the IATI Steering Committee.

Achievements and progress

- The Netherlands has made significant progress in the 2016 Index graduating into the 'good' category for the first time with an overall improvement of 12.8% points relative to 2014.
- The Netherlands has significantly increased the comprehensiveness of its IATI organisation and activity files publishing a further eight indicators.
- The Netherlands now publishes all but ten indicators to the IATI Registry, four of which are always published in other formats.

Have they met the Busan commitment on aid transparency?

National, regional or international commitments to aid transparency?

 2011 EU Transparency Guarantee

Donor Profile

2016 Index: **G00D** 66 6%

2014 Index: **FAIR** 53.8%

2013 Index: **FAIR** 49.4%

First published to IATI: **SEPTEMBER 2011**

Challenges and room for improvement

- Though all indicators are published either to the IATI Standard or in non-IATI formats, the Netherlands does not publish a complete organisation file to the Registry.
- At the activity level Memoranda of Understanding, contracts, budget identifiers and conditions are not published in any format.
- The Netherlands does not publish results data and there is further room for improvement on sub-national locations.

Recommendations

- The Netherlands should aim for full implementation of the IATI Standard prioritising the publication of a complete organisation file.
- At the activity level, it should consistently publish more activityrelated documents and performance data in the IATI Standard.
- It should continue to promote the access and use of its aid information by others particularly at country level.

Frequency of publication	Monthly
Indicators published to IATI	26/36
Activity budgets	IATI
Total budget	2 years - IATI
Disaggregated budgets	3 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.