

32. France – French Development Agency (AFD)

TOTAL

45.2%

**SECTION A
COMMITMENT TO
AID TRANSPARENCY:
6.58/10**

**SECTION B
PUBLICATION
ORGANISATION LEVEL:
12.92/25**

**SECTION C
PUBLICATION
ACTIVITY LEVEL:
25.65/65**

Overview

France-AFD is a public agency and a development bank. It manages most French bilateral assistance and operates under the dual authority of MAEDI and MINEFI.

Achievements and progress

- The AFD has made significant progress since 2013 and one of the biggest improvers, increasing its score by 28.9% points.
- It is placed in the fair category, graduating from the poor category in 2014 and is the top ranking French agency in the 2016 Index.
- The AFD has made good progress in making its data more accessible. Its new project database provides detailed disaggregated data and allows for the bulk export of data under an open licence.

Challenges and room for improvement

- Information on evaluations and tenders are published, but not to the IATI Registry.
- Information on forward-looking budgets, budget documents and contracts are not published at all while other items such as country strategies, results, impact appraisals and conditions are not consistently published.
- The frequency of AFD's publication to IATI has dropped from quarterly in the 2015 EU Aid Transparency Review to less than quarterly in the 2016 Index.

Recommendations

- The AFD should increase the frequency of its IATI publication to at least quarterly, if not monthly.
- It should publish a complete organisation file to IATI, including forward-looking budgets for three years ahead.
- The AFD should improve the quality of its IATI publication so that it is comprehensive and consistent for evaluations and tenders, results and impact appraisals. In particular it should publish disaggregated budgetary data.

Have they met the Busan commitment on aid transparency?

yes partly no

National, regional or international commitments to aid transparency?

- 2011 EU Transparency Guarantee
- 2013 G7 commitment
- 2014 Orientation and Programming law (LOP) and OGP National Action Plan
- 2015 International Open Data Charter

Donor Profile

2016 Index:
FAIR 45.2%

2014 Index:
POOR 24.7%

2013 Index:
VERY POOR 16.3%

First published to IATI:
JANUARY 2014

Frequency of publication	Less than quarterly
Indicators published to IATI	20/36
Activity budgets	Not published
Total budget	Not published
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.