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Choose your own adventure - how do we tailor IATI publishing to different organisations?

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“Hi IATI people,”

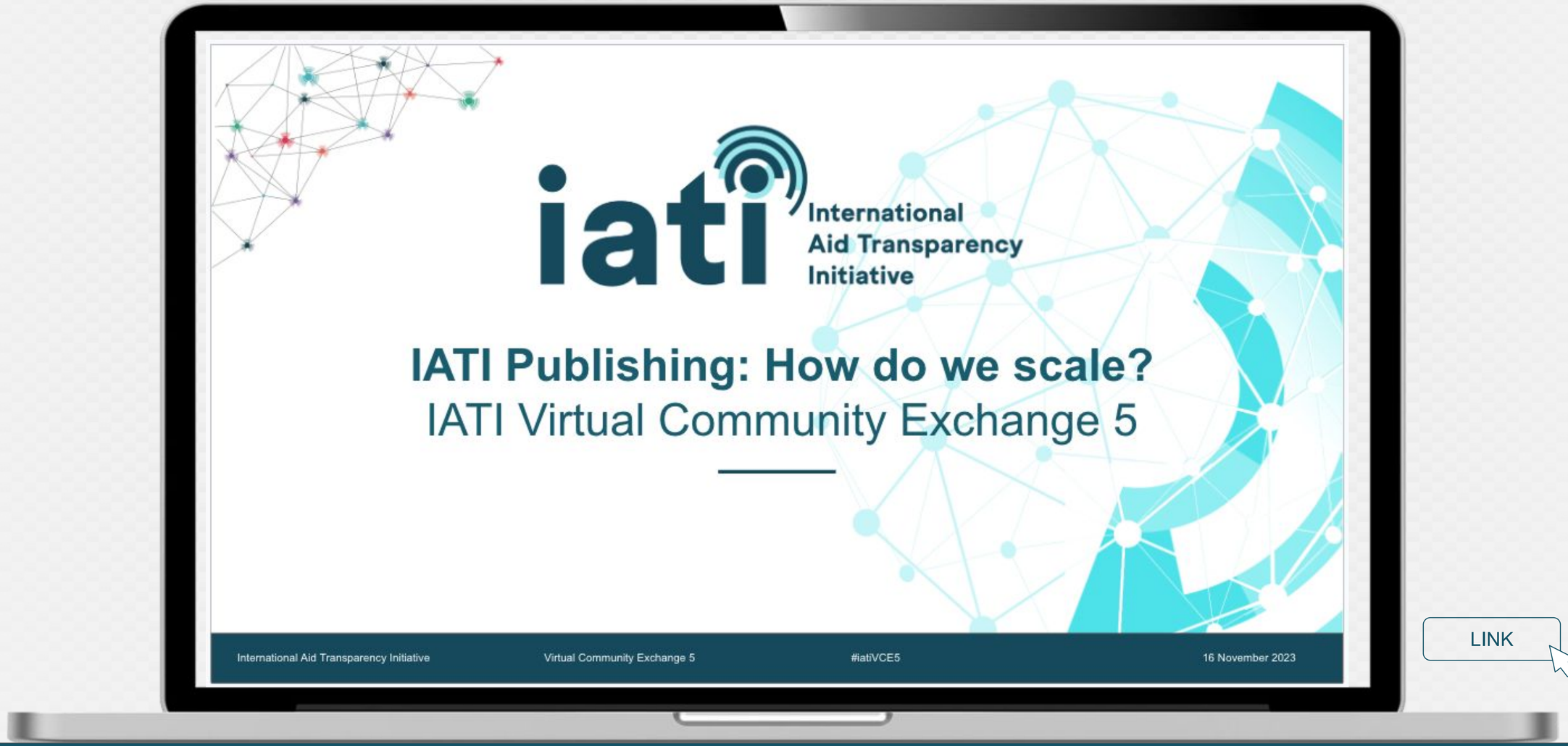
“Quick question: Where can I find the unique register iD? This whole iati website is unfortunately really confusing”

“I find it a bit annoying that the registry has such an inclination to present wrong data.”

“This system is very complicated and I am spending more than 5 hours on it just for 5 transactions and they are not visible by any third party. Please support accordingly so that I can do other things. Please! Please!”

“I find it most confusing that I have to ignore a considerable number of mandatory fields (most people would find this being not logical, I believe)”

Recap of last community discussion



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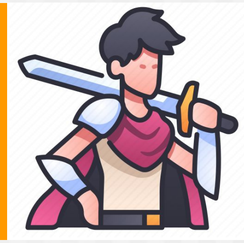
“We’re sorry that our systems are confusing”

Choose your own adventure...

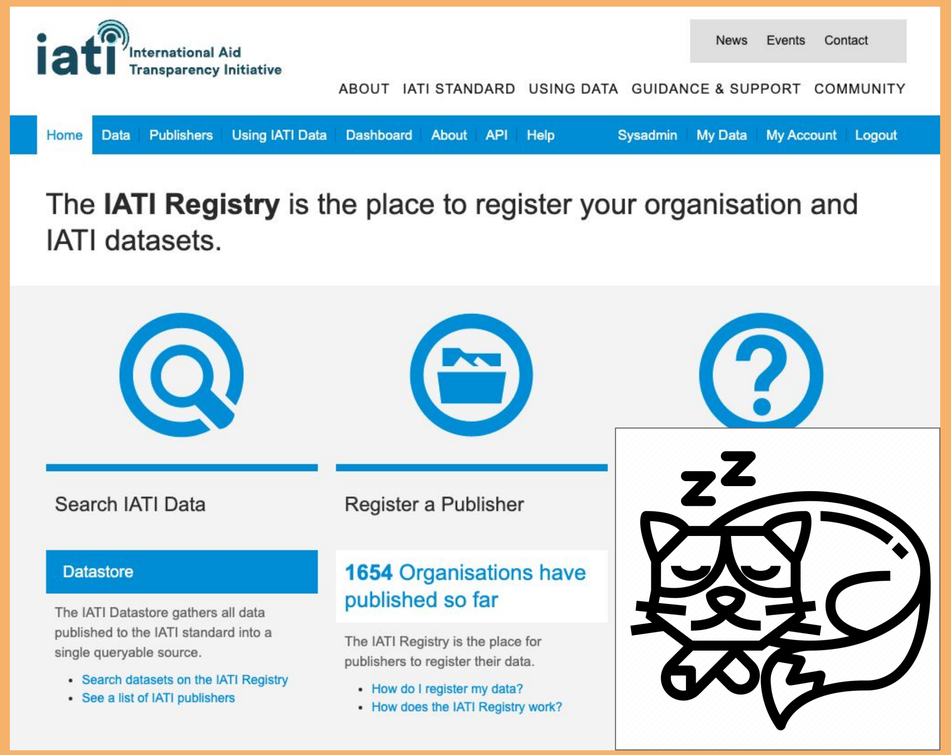
We’re a small organisation and my funder is asking me to publish IATI data - what do we need to do?

IATI has just the tool!
IATI Publisher makes it easy to register and publish your data.
You don’t even have to visit the IATI Registry.

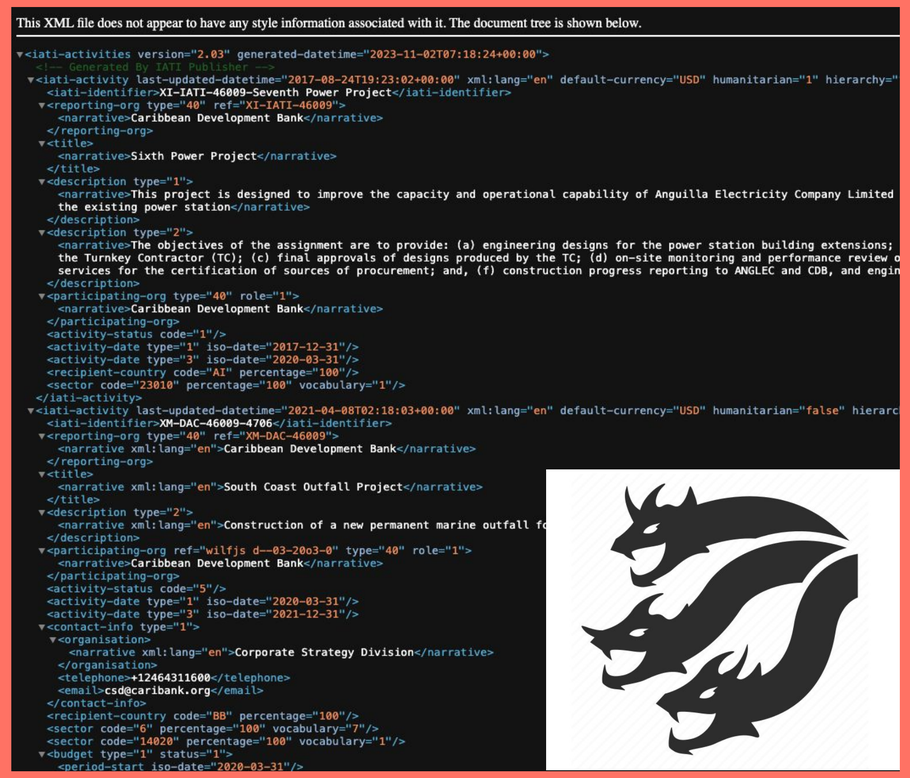


MISSION: Find IATI Publisher!

TIME PENALTY if…
you end up on the IATI Registry anyway



GAME OVER if…
you reach XML land



ALTERNATIVE ENDING…
if you find AidStream instead

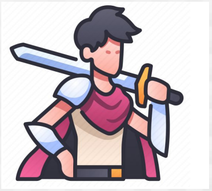
AidStream

You can use me to publish IATI data too!
You will need to navigate the IATI Registry though.

I hope you like API keys.

Where would you like to start?

START



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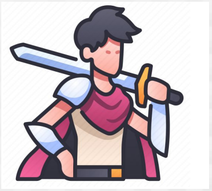
Where would you like to start?

Success?

START



1 Google ✓

2 UK guidelines ✓

3 Netherlands guidelines

4 Danish training platform

5 ChatGPT (IATI website) ✓

“This all seems very complex”

Who are you?

The first publishers…

- Government donors
- Development banks
- Multilaterals

Now…

- Local offices of companies
- Departments within universities
- Non-governmental Organisations “hosted” by other organisations
- “Funds”
- “temporary units that only last the length of the program”...?!

One IATI data standard

Who are you?

The first publishers…

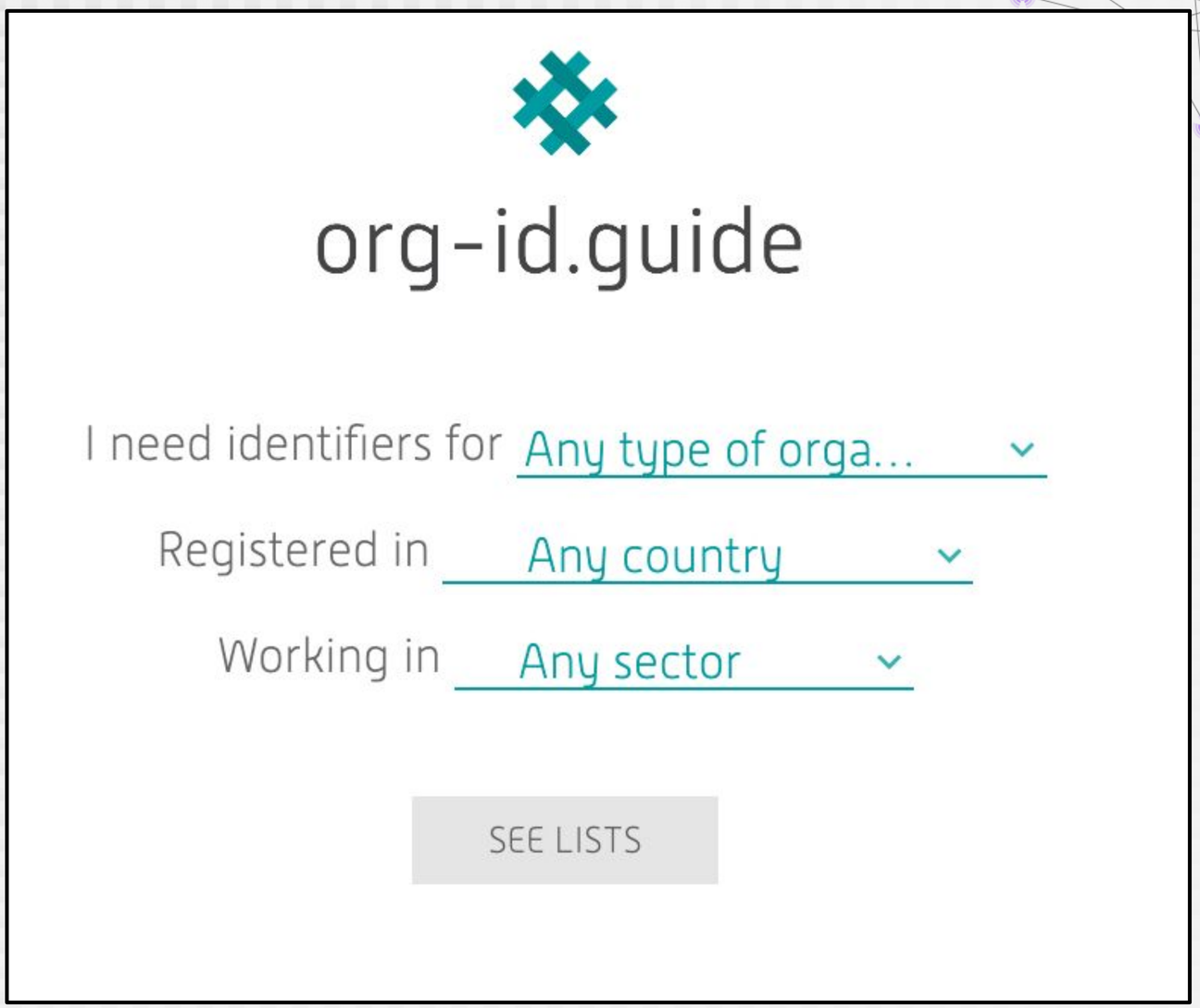
- Senior Policy Officer
- Programme manager
- Business Intelligence Lead

Now…

- Project Manager
- Executive Director
- University Administrator
- Grants Operations Coordinator
- Managing Director

→ **One IATI data standard**

Trouble finding an organisation reference?

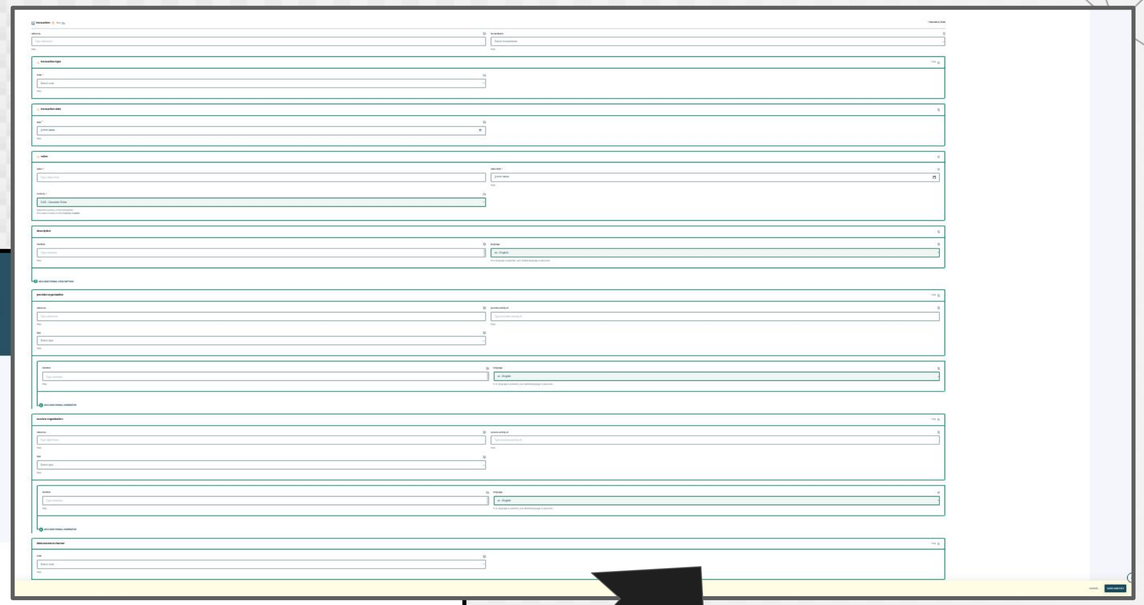


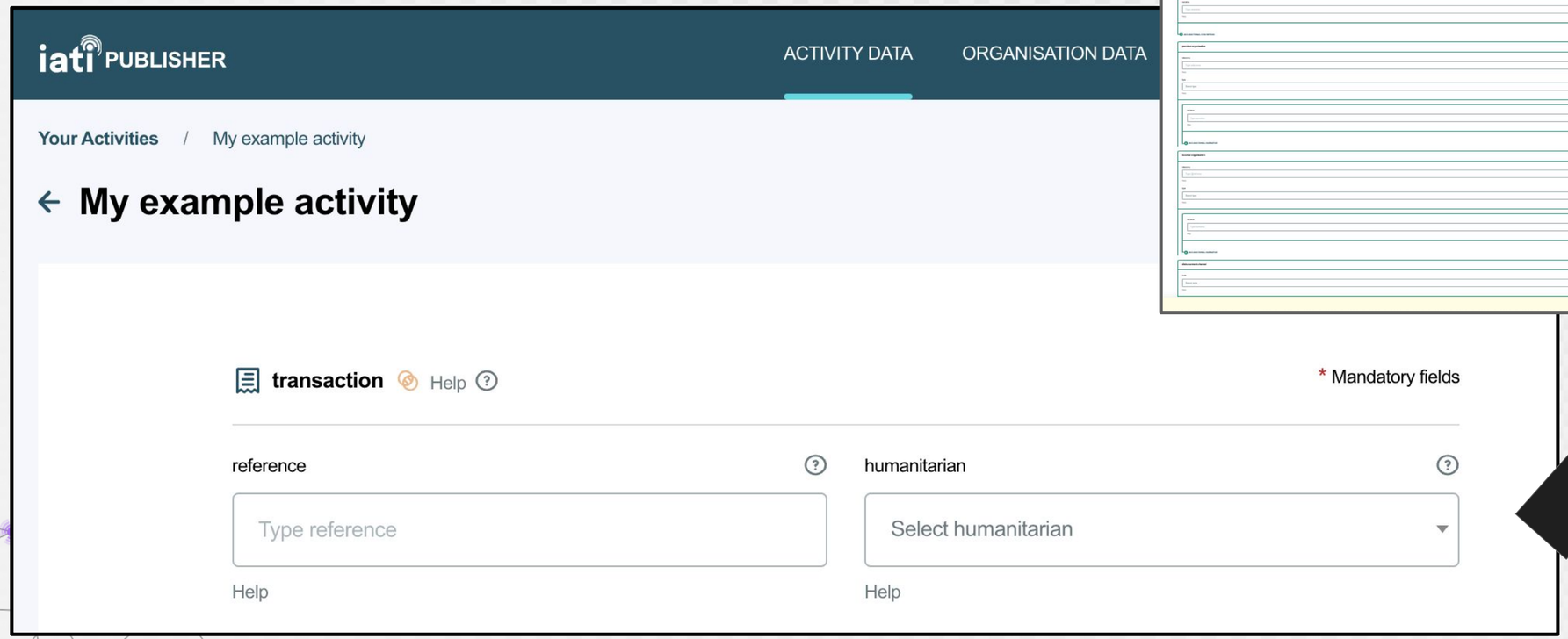
What do these elements of the Standard mean to a small NGO?

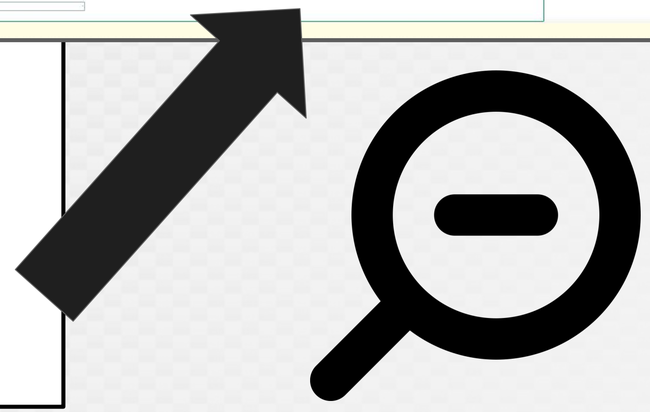
Classifications

Sector	The sector(s) that the activity benefits according to the OECD DAC CRS Purpose Code (5 digit)	Yes
Policy Marker	Indicators which track key policy issues	Yes
Collaboration Type	Whether the resource flow is bilateral or multilateral	Not required
Default Flow Type	Whether the activity is funded by Official Development Assistance (ODA), Other Official Flows (OOF), etc	Yes
Default Finance Type	Financing mechanism – grant/loan/capital/export credit etc	Yes
Default Aid Type	Type of assistance provided e.g. project-type interventions, core-contributions to multilateral institutions, core support to NGOs	Yes
Default Tied Status	Whether there are restrictions on the aid (Y/N)	Yes
Country Budget Items	Alignment of activities with both the functional and administrative classifications used in the recipient country's Chart of Accounts	Not required

29 data entry boxes to add one financial transaction in IATI Publisher….







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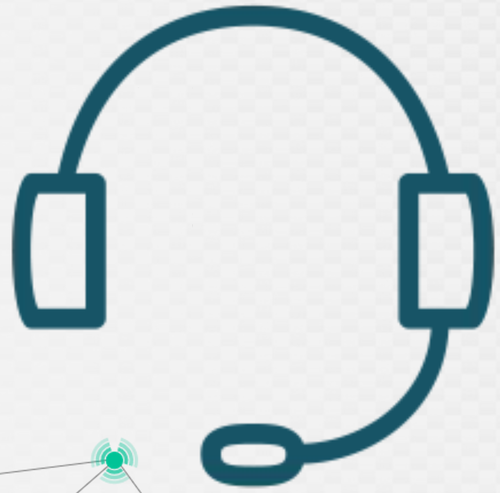
“We’re aware this isn’t great - we’re working on it”

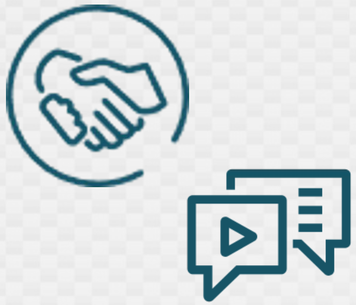


What are we working on?

Tools

Videos

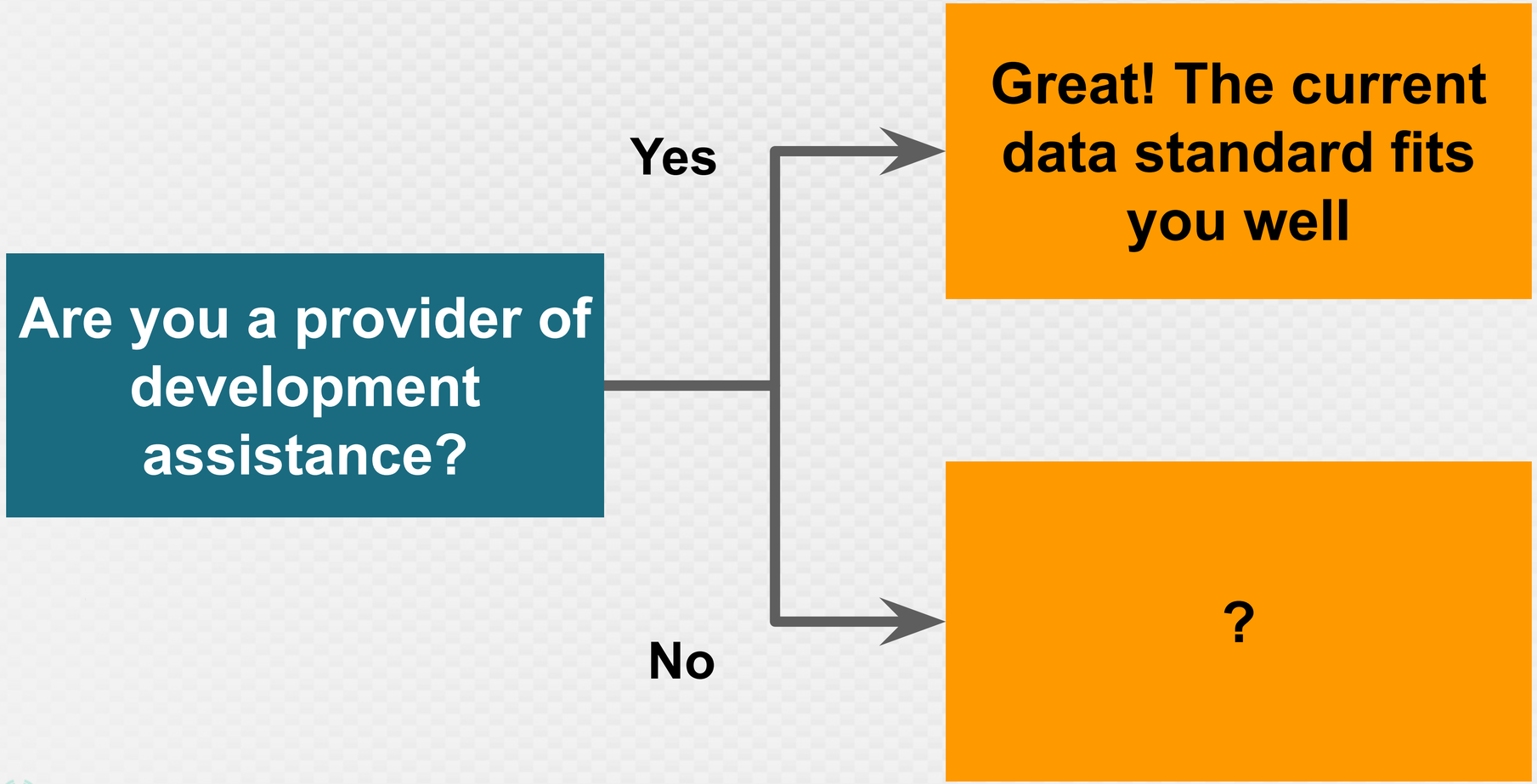
Website update



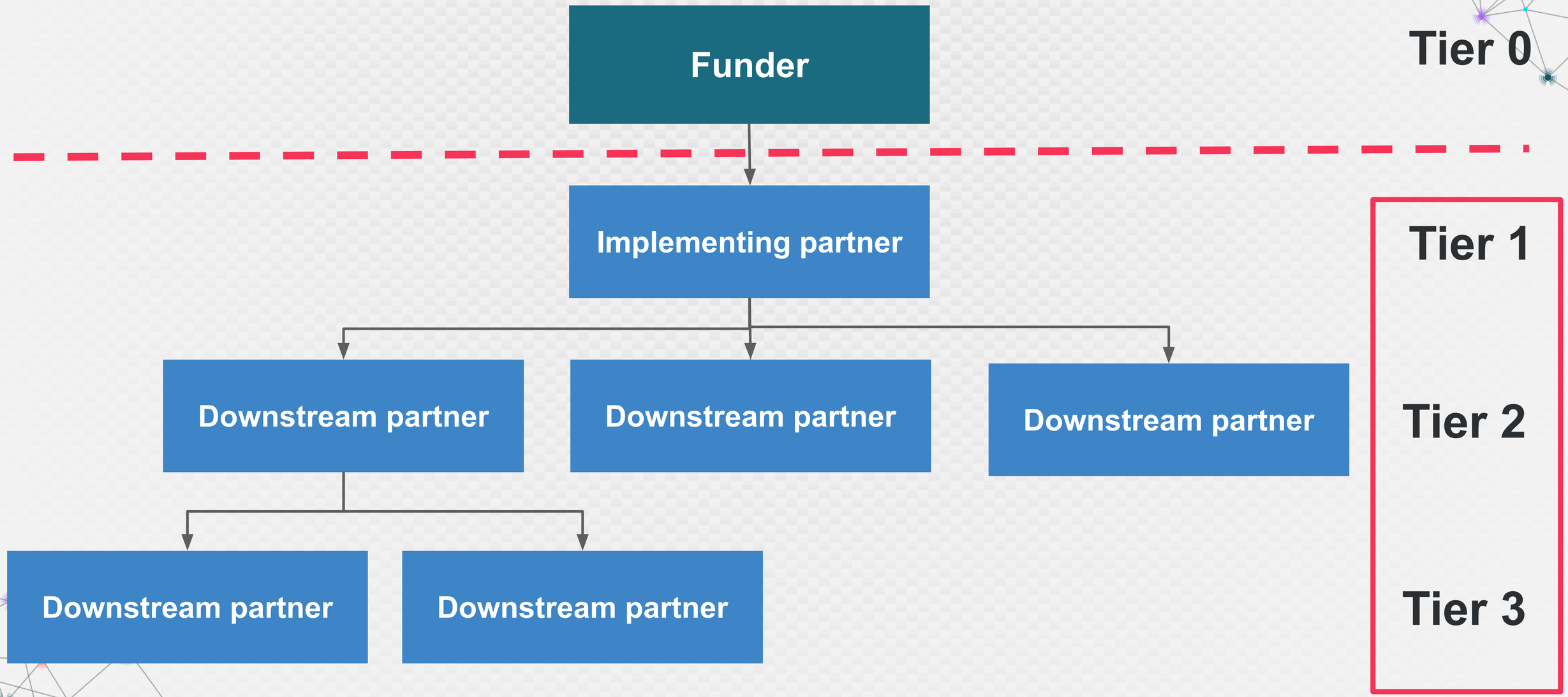
Donor Harmonisation

“What’s a downstream partner - should they be reporting to IATI?”

How do we tailor?



The delivery chain



Workshop (10 mins)

What is the minimum viable IATI dataset for downstream partners?

IATI organisation data
Name
Organisation Type
Country
Organisation reference (if one exists!)
Link to website

IATI activity data
Title
Description
Funder(s)
Start and end date
Total budget
Currency
Beneficiary country(ies)
Names of implementing partners

+ Activity correctly linked back to funder

“I hope that’s all. Is there more I need to do?”

“Thank you very much for the support, it was a very long journey”

STAY **CONNECTED...**

Community platform
IATI Connect
iaticonnect.org

Sign-up to the IATI community **newsletter** at iatistandard.org/en/

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