



IATI Hosting Arrangements post-2022

Bidders' Call

Background

The **International Aid Transparency Initiative** brings together governments, multilateral institutions, private sector and civil society organisations and others to increase the transparency and openness of resources flowing into developing countries

Launched at the Third High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Accra, Sept 2008, by October 2022 IATI reaches **1500 publishers**

101 Members

Strategic Plan 2022-2025 outcomes:

1. Data quality
2. Data use
3. Community and standard

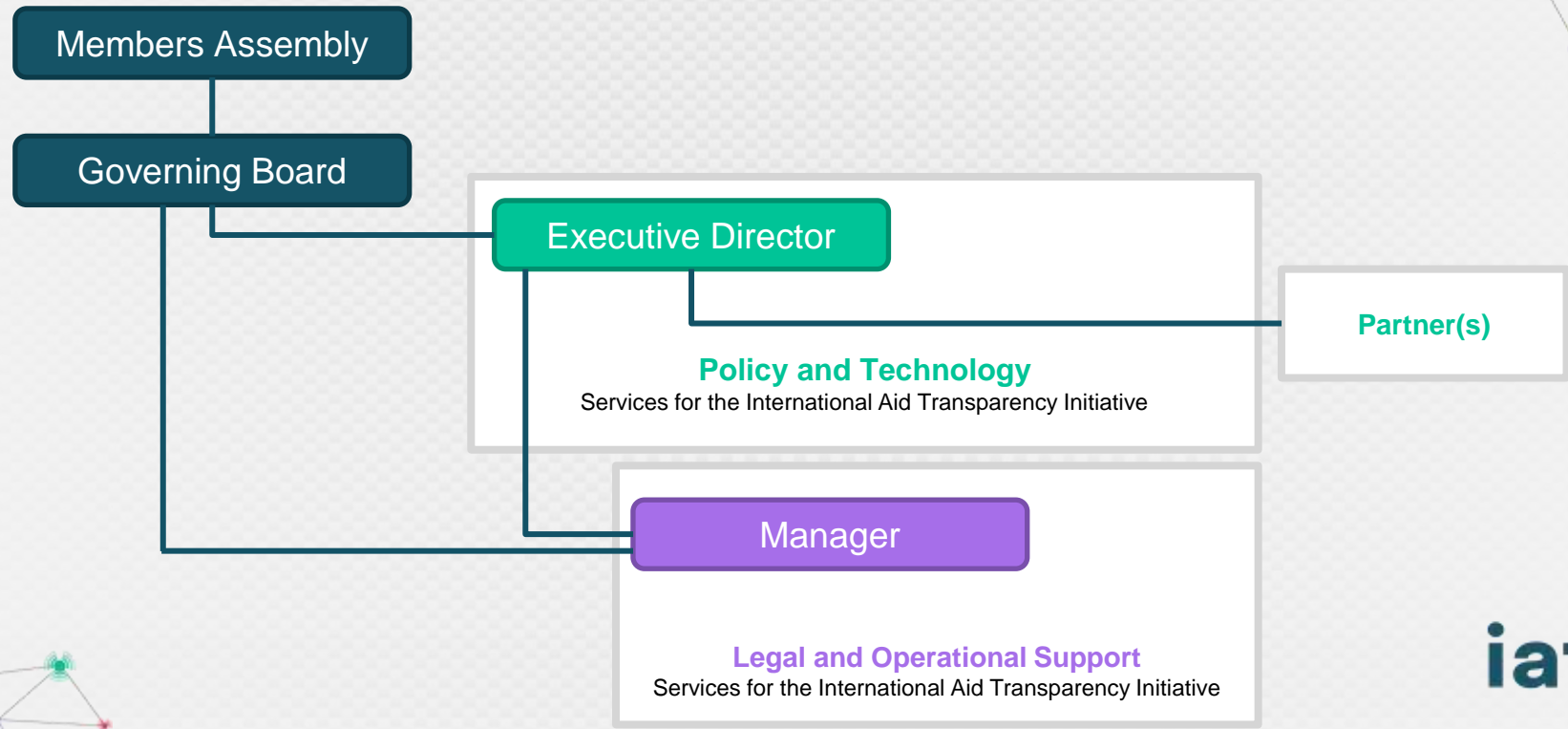
Mid term review due in 2023



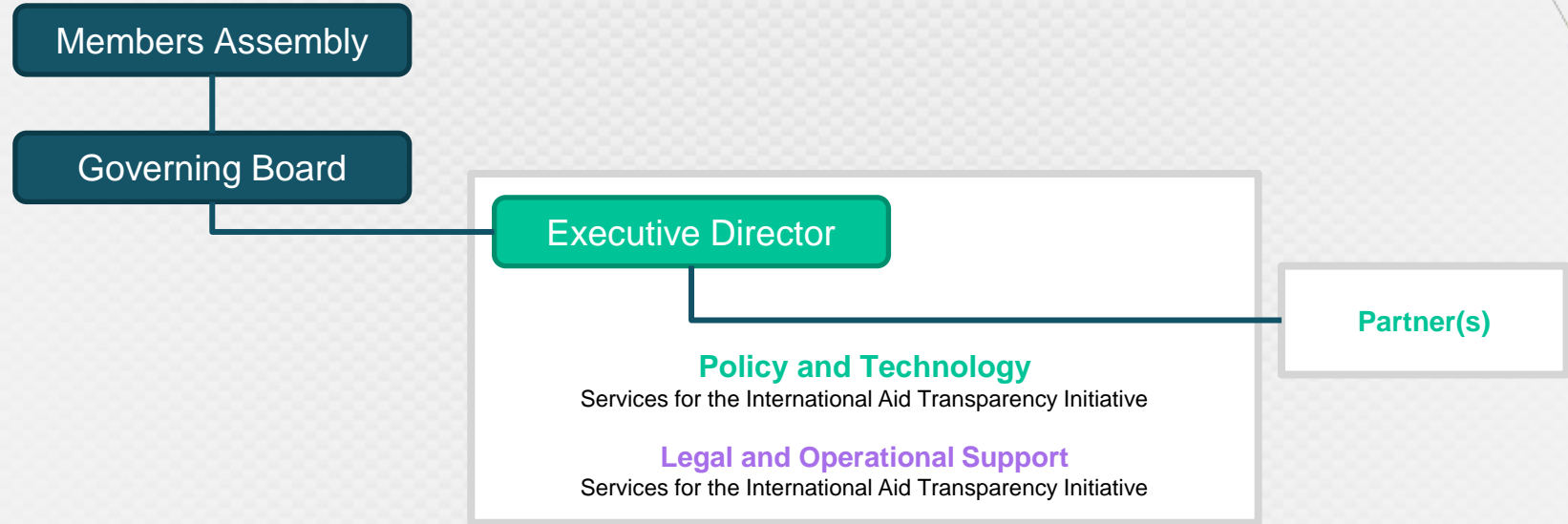
Key roles and responsibilities

Institutional Working Group	Governing Board	Members Assembly	Transition Manager	Current Hosts
<p>Advise</p> <p>Terms of Reference</p> <p>Search, refer and approach</p> <p>Evaluation criteria</p> <p>Longlisting candidates</p>	<p>Steward</p> <p>Publishing ToR</p> <p>Search and approach</p> <p>Selection panel appointment</p> <p>Evaluation review and recommendation</p> <p>Discovery and negotiation</p> <p>Letter of Agreement</p>	<p>Decide</p> <p>Approve ToR</p> <p>Endorse work plan</p> <p>Review recommendation</p> <p>Approve future host(s)</p>	<p>Manage</p> <p>Transition planning</p> <p>Risk management</p> <p>Discovery and due diligence</p> <p>Transition coordination and management</p>	<p>Support</p> <p>Lights-on services</p> <p>Preparation</p> <p>(Hand-over)</p> <p>(Close-out and reporting)</p>

Envisaged hosting arrangements post 2022



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Hosting arrangements Terms of Reference



ToR: Policy and Technology
Services for the International Aid Transparency Initiative

Functions:

1. Stewardship of the IATI Standard
2. Technical infrastructure
3. Publisher and User Support
4. Community and Communications
5. Policy and Planning Services

Accountability Structure

Provide an Executive Director (ED) function reporting to Governing Board & members annually

Skill and experience:

- Improving validation, accessibility & use qualitative and quantitative aspects of development and humanitarian support;
- Maintaining and improving data standards
- Providing technical support / tools to publishers
- Collaborating with a wide variety of stakeholders e.g. donors, CSOs etc
- Advocating for IATI on a global level
- Providing information, support and outreach services in multiple languages
- Providing Secretariat functions to international stakeholders



ToR: Legal and Operational Support
Services for the International Aid Transparency Initiative

Functions:

1. Operational and Financial management
2. Procurement and contract management

Accountability Structure

Provide a service/relationship manager function reporting to the Executive Director of the host, and to GB quarterly, and IATI members annually

Skill and experience of

- Drafting and managing contracts for complex IT projects
- Financial management and accounting capacity
- Procurement and contract management (experience in procurement with local partners / in languages other than English is essential)
- Experience as a fiscal sponsor working with diverse groups of international stakeholders

A reminder of the bid process (published on 24 October)

**24 Oct
2022**

Bid submission opens

Final TORs and bid process published.

IATI's Community is invited to suggest organisations for Board to approach to encourage them to bid.

**Nov - Dec
2022**

Search and approach

Board/IWG sub group approaches selected organisations to submit a bid. Any other organisation is also welcome to submit a bid.

IWG/Board develops longlisting/shortlisting selection criteria

**Jan- mid Feb
2023**

Bid submission closes / longlisting & shortlisting

Bid submission closes on 6 Jan.

Process Manager & IWG longlist bids

Selection panel shortlist bids and shares 2-3 options for both TORs with Board

**End of Feb
2023**

Preferred hosts recommended to members

Board selects preferred host(s) to deliver each of the TORs.

Board sends written recommendation of preferred host(s) and provider(s) to members for their consideration.

**13-16 Mar
2023**

Members' Assembly vote

Members' discuss the Board's recommendation at Members' Assembly.

Decision is voted on by eligible members to enable Board to enter final negotiations with hosts and sign LoA

Policy considerations



Passion for the mission

Shared values of transparency and experience in community building



Drive for results

Approach to providing the Executive Director role and single line of accountability



Support to partner countries, Civil Society, providers and tech

Global reach / country footprint, helpdesks



Access to global policy and normative spaces

Credibility, reputation, leverage

Technology considerations



User-centred approach to tech
Agile, supporting technical community



Unified Platform
Azure subscription and directory
IATI Publisher, Data Quality Index



Other hosting providers
DigitalOcean, VPS
Wet Genes/oneprovider (d-portal)
Derilinx (Registry)



Digital services
123-reg, Plausible Analytics,
Google Workspace, Cloudflare,
1Password, Uptime Robot,
Postman, Zendesk, Solve 360

Operational and legal considerations



International Accounting Standards

Provision of real time financial reports and projections, results-based budgeting



Ability to accept payments

Experience with full range of IATI members, due-diligence, non-profit



Efficiency in global procurement

Global operations and banking, transparency, flexibility and speed



Diversity of transactions

From very small to very large amounts, tailor made support

Bidding Process

Can one proposal be submitted for both ToRs?

Yes, provided all requirements for both ToRs are addressed.

Can several organisations partner to deliver one or more of the ToRs?

Yes, as long as the partners act and deliver as “one”, demonstrating clear lines of accountability via the executive director to the Governing Board and members.

Is there a possibility that the deadline for the submissions of proposals will be extended?

This is highly unlikely as we need to review the proposals and make a recommendation in time for the Members’ Assembly in March 2023.

How is the Board ensuring a robust and transparent process for the selection?

- The process is fully **open** to any organisation that wants to submit a proposal
- All information about the process is published online
- All organisations will be assessed against the selection longlisting and shortlisting criteria (currently being defined by the IWG and the Board for publication).

Where can I find more information?

Visit iatistandard.org, email governingboard@iatistandard.org or post a message on the Members Group on IATI Connect.

Why were current hosts not extended?

IATI has grown and expanded over the past 10 years and this was seen as a good opportunity to scale the initiative to new heights through new updated Terms of Reference, and to open the field to potential new suppliers. Current hosts were explicitly encouraged to consider participating in the bid, either jointly or separately.

What is the most important priority for the new hosts to deliver on?

Priorities agreed by members are clear in the Strategic Plan 2021-25, which remains our guiding document.

Can we submit additional questions?

Send any follow-up questions to governingboard@iatistandard.org before Friday 9 December. Answers will be shared via iatistandard.org

Transition process



Transition Manager



Decision in March, handover
April-June



Handover of funds held in Trust,
collection of 2023 fees



Close-out existing hosting
before end 2023


Final messages

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Strategic selection and partnership approach – will be transparent

Over-optimistic claims should be avoided – acknowledge potential challenges and risks with proposed approach

Five-year term, but consider longer-term vision, mission and commitments of IATI

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THANK YOU

Question and Answer