Demo of new features on IATI's Country Development Finance Data (CDFD) tool

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IATI Strategic Plan: Progress on Enabling Data Use (Objective 3)

How will we enable increased data use?

- Strengthen the IATI Standard
- Improve the quality of data published to IATI
- Ensure that effective tools are freely available for all users to access and use IATI data
- Strengthen data literacy and capacity for use

Overcome data use barriers and increase the systematic use of IATI data by development and humanitarian actors.
What is the history of CDFD and what have we learned?

**Goal: Enable increased data use**

**History**
- Developed to meet the needs of partner country governments for a standard set of essential data that can be easily accessed and analyzed
- Learning from development and use of the tool to inform the development of the improved data portal and IATI’s data quality work
- Initial version of the tool launched in March 2021 and offered Excel-formatted datasets on projections and spending by country/region
- Guidance and Analysis Dashboards launched in July 2021
- How-To Videos launched in August 2022

**Engagement**
- Conducted dozens of 1:1 trainings and support calls with data users
- Conducted training during 3 workshops in Kigali, Abuja, and Bangkok of 58 government representatives from 49 countries, 75 civil society representatives, 25 development partner representatives
- 5000 users from 158 countries

**Use (some examples)**
- Governments using the data to prepare development cooperation reports, inform national budgets, monitor development spending, and enable dialogue (e.g. Chad, Sierra Leone, Guinée, Lesotho)
- Researchers using it to conduct analysis (e.g. PWYF), often in combination with IATI’s other data access tools
- Civil society orgs and development partners (e.g. UN agencies) using it to conduct external development finance landscape analysis
What is the history of CDFD and what have we learned?

Goal: Enable increased data use

- Data users need a processed subset of IATI data to enable them to more easily understand, analyze, and use the data
- The data available in CDFD largely meets the needs of many data users from a range of stakeholder groups
- Guidance is essential to enabling data users to understand the tool and the data
- Availability of the tool, data, and guidance in multiple languages increases access to the data for non-English speakers and thereby the use of IATI data
- Data quality issues that inhibit data use are more easily identified in a processed set of data and when more data users are using that data

What did data users share was still needed?

- **Visualizations:** Analysis Dashboards were helpful to quickly understand what you could do with the data but users needed a way to more easily visualize the data and customize those visualizations
- **Customized Spreadsheets:** While governments often only needed to download one spreadsheet, other data users had to download and combine multiple spreadsheets to conduct analysis across countries, etc. Users also asked to be able to more easily conduct activity level analysis.
- **Additional data fields:** Some additional information was needed by data users – e.g. activity descriptions, location data.
- **Groups of publishers:** One challenge in using IATI data is that some organizations (e.g. USG, EC) publish data under multiple publishers. Users asked for an easier way to identify these groups of publishers.
What are the new features?

Goal: Enable increased data use

Data Dashboards
- **Summary dashboard**
- Dashboards by Country/Region, Reporting Organization, and Sector
- Visualize the data in maps, charts, and tables
- Customize the view using a range of filters
- Download underlying data for each visualization

Custom Data Download
- View and download custom spreadsheets of data
- Select the columns to be included in your spreadsheet and filter it by a range of filters

Useful Functionality
- Interactive and customizable map
- Links to activity pages on d-portal
- Reporting Organisation Groups now available
- Persistent URLs enable easy sharing of customised Dashboards and Custom Data Download queries
- Descriptions are now available via the Custom Data Download
- Available in French, Spanish, and Portuguese

![Map data & World Bank Group | Leaflet](image-url)
Demo of the new features

Summary Dashboards

Country, Reporting Org, and Sector Dashboards

Custom Data Download
## What questions can you explore with the new features?

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Exploring YOUR questions

- What questions do you have about CDFD or its new features?
- What questions do you want to explore with the data?
- What would make this tool more useful?
Accessing IATI data using Datastore Search and the Datastore API

Finding the data you need to do your own analysis
Alex Miller
15.03.2023
What is the IATI Datastore?
## Who is the Datastore Search for?

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### IATI Standard Expertise

- Technical Expertise
- Higher technical expertise
- Lower technical expertise
What can Datastore Search do?

Simple and Advanced search query builder

Activity results display with links to d-Portal

Multi-format export in XML / JSON / CSV
What can the IATI Datastore API do?

Query

Query the IATI Datastore.

The API capabilities are adapted from the Solr 8.10 API documentation and abbreviated to form a summary - for more detailed documentation on any of the parameters supported by the IATI Standard Query Parser please refer to the Solr 8.10 API documentation.

GitHub:

IATI/refresher
IATI/datastore-solr-configs

datastore  GET  query

Request

GET https://api.iatistandard.org/datastore/{collection}/{responsetype}?q=&q.op=&df=&sow=&sort=&start=&rows=&fq=&fl=[timeAllowed] wt=[group] [group.field] [facet] [facet.field] [facet.prefix] [facet.contains] [facet.contains.ignoreCase] [facet.matches] [facet.sort] [facet.limit] [facet.offset] [facet.mincount] [facet.missing] [facet.method] [facet.exists] [facet.excludeTerms] [facet.range] [facet.range.start] [facet.range.end] [facet.range.gap] [facet.range.other] [facet.pivot] [facet.pivot.mincount] [csv.escapulator] [csv.escape] [csv.separator] [csv.header] [csv.newline] [csv.null] [csv.mv.escapulator] [csv.mv.escape] [csv.mv.separator] [sfield] [pt] &d
Demonstration / Q&A

https://github.com/akmiller01/iati-ce-datastore-demo
### What's next?

#### Datastore Search

**Search Filters:**
- **Humanitarian**: True
- **Recipient Country Code**: AF - Afghanistan
- **Transaction Recipient Country Code**: UG - Uganda
- **Transaction Transaction Date Iso Date**: 2020-01-01

#### Results

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**Humanitarian Food Assistance program**

**What Works to Prevent Violence: Impact at Scale**

This global programme aims to accelerate progress towards the elimination of violence against women and girls (VAWG) through supporting...  

**Humanitarian Innovation Fund 2019-2023**

The HIF is a globally recognised programme leading on the development and testing of innovation in the humanitarian system.