



2023 Financing for Development Forum

Wednesday 19 April 2023, 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. (New York Time/GMT-4)

Virtual Event

Filling data gaps in the measurement of development support:

Presentation of 2021 TOSSD figures

Side-event organised by the Secretariat of the International TOSSD Task Force:

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The event will present the main findings of the [2022 TOSSD data collection on 2021 activities of development support](#). It will also showcase the latest developments to expand data coverage of the TOSSD framework. Finally, it will call on more countries and organisations to join the TOSSD initiative to further increase transparency, including through SDG indicator 17.3.1, on the measurement of development support.

In 2022, TOSSD was included as a data source in the SDG global indicator framework to measure development support. This was an outcome of work by the IAEG-SDGs “Working Group on Measurement of Development Support”¹, created at the request of the UN Statistical Commission², with wide country and UN-System participation. The Working Group developed a proposal for a new indicator 17.3.1, with TOSSD as a data source. Early March 2022, the UN Statistical Commission approved this new indicator³, and requested the OECD and UNCTAD to be its co-custodians.

The third TOSSD dataset was released in January 2023, with activity-level information from more than 100 provider countries and institutions on their 2021 support for sustainable development. These data address critical sustainable development information gaps for developing countries and beyond. The TOSSD framework increases visibility and transparency on contributions made by both traditional providers and dual providers/recipients. It also captures regional and global expenditures for sustainable development with substantial benefits to developing countries (e.g. R&D to fight against infectious diseases). Without this information, it will remain challenging to design efficient global, regional and local responses to support these countries in achieving their development goals. Moreover, TOSSD data can help countries that present at the HLPF their Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) on the implementation of the SDGs⁴.

¹ For more information on the Working Group, see: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/iaeg-sdgs/working-group-on-measurement-of-development-support>

² See paragraph 26 and 27 in: <https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/51st-session/documents/2020-2-SDG-IAEG-E.pdf>

³ <https://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/53rd-session/documents/decisions/AnnexIII-Draft-resolution.pdf>

⁴ <https://tossd.org/pilot-studies-data-stories/hlpf-voluntary-national-reviews.htm>



Agenda:

15 mins - Opening remarks:

- **Mr. Risenga Maluleke**, Statistician-General of South Africa and Co-Chair of the International TOSSD Task Force.
- **Mr. Laurent Sarazin**, Head of Unit, Finance and Contracts for Africa, Directorate-General for International Partnerships, European Commission and Co-Chair of the International TOSSD Task Force.

20 mins - Presentation of the results of the 2022 TOSSD data collection on 2021 activities and recent developments on TOSSD

- **Ms. Julia Benn**, Manager, Statistical Standards and Methods Unit, OECD, and Head of the International TOSSD Task Force Secretariat.

50 mins - Panel interventions by representatives and observers to the International TOSSD Task Force.

- **Ms. Sigrid Breddy**, Head of Evaluation and Statistics, Austrian Development Agency
- **Mr. Rafael Schleicher**, Head of the International Policy Centre (IPCid), Institute of Applied Economic Research (IPEA), Brazil.
- **Ms. Fabiola Soto**, Director of Planning, Mexican International Cooperation for Development Agency (AMEXCID).
- **Mr. Aboubacar Sédikh Beye**, Director-General, Agence Nationale de la Statistique et de la Démographie (ANSD), Senegal. (TBC)
- **Mr. Brian Tomlinson**, Executive Director, AidWatch Canada

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