UNICEF has developed various tools to help make information on its projects and funding publicly available, in accordance with international transparency schemes.

Transparency and accountability are top priorities for UNICEF as it delivers development and humanitarian results for children. A series of measures have been put in place to support this commitment; these make it easier to access and understand information about how funds are spent, and enhance ongoing efforts to make the organization more efficient, responsive, and collaborative.

In March 2012, UNICEF signed onto the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI), committing to disclose its information on aid spending publicly to allow all stakeholders to find, use and compare the data. The IATI Data Converter was developed to publish data on the IATI’s registry in a standardized (.XML) format, in accordance with an IATI schema comprising 39 indicators. The Data Converter enables UNICEF to generate and publish monthly data files for 128 Country Offices, 7 Regional Offices, and the 16 offices of the HQ Division.

In order to communicate more transparently with the outside world, UNICEF has also established an Open Data Portal to consolidate information about program and operation funding and performance. The portal makes it easier to access, understand, and use data on how UNICEF allocates its resources to achieve results for children – in support of on-going efforts to make the agency more efficient, responsive and collaborative.

**Features**

- Convertor produces IATI compliant data, with XML files available for a global audience
- Data portal presents graphical representation of the flow of fund
- Bold, easy-to-read, single-page format
- UNICEF blog integrated into public portal
- Represents IATI compliant data

**Benefits**

- Monthly update of funds’ flow status
- Clear and user-intuitive representation of the flow of fund showing where money comes from, where money goes, where money is spent, and what money is spent on
- Tracking of planned budget, allocation and expense in each country
- UNICEF benefits from high AITI compliance ranking, versus various agencies

**Facts**

- **Stakeholders**: UNICEF
- **Time Period**: 2016
- **Topics**: Programme Transparency
- **Tools**: Website
- **Link**: [http://open.unicef.org](http://open.unicef.org)
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**Budget**

USD 0.118 million