

Open Information Policy

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1. Openness and transparency

As part of our commitment to positive global change, we make information about our work openly accessible and publicly available. This openness not only ensures that we are accountable to our staff, supporters, beneficiaries and partners, but it also facilitates development and progress in our sector.

The principal ways that we practice transparency are:

- Publication of IATI data
- Strategy monitoring via our Strategy Implementation and Monitoring (SIM) card

2. International Aid Transparency Initiative

The International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) is a global campaign that aims to improve the transparency and accountability of aid funding through the publication of open data to the IATI Standard, which is the IATI coding framework. This data is information about all of the activities that we work on. The IATI Standard allows for information published by different organisations to be in the same format, thereby enabling analysis and research.

IATI data builds a comprehensive global map of aid activity across all sectors and activity themes. As open data it seeks to hold development organisations accountable to beneficiaries, donors, the media or taxpayers.

Sightsavers believes in the value of IATI and has been publishing this data since 2013. We publish IATI data on a quarterly basis and are committed to continually refining and improving the information that we provide.

We are also a keen advocate of IATI to our partners. We work with our downstream partner organisations to enable them to publish to IATI, particularly on our FCDO programmes. Sightsavers is committed to transparency and we encourage the organisations that we work with to be the same.

IATI data is available at www.iatiregistry.org and www.d-portal.org.

3. Strategy Implementation and Monitoring

Our strategy is monitored via an interactive dashboard – the SIM card. In keeping with our commitment to transparency, this dashboard is published on our website.

Strategic objectives have been agreed for the organisation and we track performance against these on either an annual or bi-annual basis, via a set of key indicators. This undertaking involves staff across the organisation and goes through a rigorous checking process. Measuring ourselves against these indicators keeps us accountable for our performance and focussed on our organisational objectives. Any performance issues are discussed by management at all levels.

4. Other Useful Information Links

Our websites hold significant amounts of information and the links below are where you can find many of our publications and policies.

Research

research.sightsavers.org

Annual reports

<https://www.sightsavers.org/how-were-run/annual-reports/>

Publications

research.sightsavers.org/publications/

Sightsavers policies

www.sightsavers.org/how-were-run/accountability-and-transparency/

5. How do I request information?

Requests for further information can be made using the details available on our **Contact Us** page. We will make a best effort to honour requests that we feel are in the public interest. www.sightsavers.org/contact-us/

6. Data protection

Sightsavers is compliant with applicable United Kingdom and European Union data protection and privacy legislation. More information can be found in our privacy policy: www.sightsavers.org/privacy-cookies/



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