

## GLOBAL FUND RATED HIGH IN TRANSPARENCY

The Global Fund has ranked second out of 58 aid-giving organisations on the subject of transparency, according to a report published by "Publish What You Fund," which describes itself as a "global campaign for aid transparency." The Global Fund ranked just behind the World Bank's International Development Association (IDA) programme.

The online, undated report said that most international aid donors are still not open enough about their aid programmes, and that some offer no information at all.

Publish What You Fund was launched at the 2008 Accra High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness by a coalition of governance, aid effectiveness and access to information organisations.

Organisations were ranked against a series of transparency indicators, using a numerical scoring system. On the basis of total scores, organisations were rated as "good," "fair," "moderate," "poor" or "very poor." No organisation scored high enough to be rated "good." Nine organisations were rated "fair," nine "moderate," 25 "poor" and 15 "very poor." Some of the organisations rated fair (in addition to the Global Fund and the World Bank) were the African Development Bank, the Netherlands and the U.K. Department for International Development.

The report said that the Global Fund performed particularly well on the organisation and activity level indicators; that information on the organisation and its activities is provided in a comprehensive project level database on the Global Fund website; and that the information can be downloaded in Excel. The report said that there is a very high level of information provided for all projects, including agreements and other project documents.

The report from Publish What You Find is available here.

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