Global Fund creates new Data Service web pages consolidating information on grants, donor contributions, allocations, etc.

The Global Fund Secretariat has created a new [Data Service](#) segment on its website to make Fund data as accessible as possible.

"The idea is that anyone interested in data from the Global Fund has a 'one stop shop' to get data either through an application programming interface (API) or through downloadable files, all of which are backed by data which is refreshed on a nightly basis," said Murad Hirji, Senior Digital Architect in the Global Fund Secretariat, who is responsible for the project.

The Data Service segment contains two sections: Downloads and API.

Downloads

The Downloads section lists "pre-packaged data sets and reports" available for download for information or analysis. This section has three tabs: Reports, Data Sets, and Archive, each of which contains data on several topics which can be downloaded in one or more available formats (PDF, Excel or CSV, depending on the topic).

The topics are shown in the table below.

Table: Reports and data sets available for download on the Global Fund's Data Service pages

Title	Description

REPORTS

Approved Component Funding	Breakdown of approved funding by component
Country Coordinating Mechanisms	Eligibility and performance assessments
Pledges and Contributions	Pledges and contributions by government, private se government and other donors
Grant Details	Information on all grants
Disbursements	Lists of disbursements for each grant

DATA SETS

Reported Results	Results by indicator for the most recent year (all gran
Pledges and Contributions	For each replenishment period for each donor
Allocations	Allocation amounts, program splits and allocation util periods for 2017–2019, per component
Grant Agreements	High-level information, by grant agreement, for all gra
Grant Agreement Implementation Periods	High-level information, by implementation period, for
Grant Agreement Commitments	High-level information, by commitment, for all grants
Grant Agreement Disbursements	High-level information, by disbursement, for all grants
Grant Agreement Progress Updates	High-level information, by progress update, for all gra

ARCHIVE

Reported Results 2005–2016 (data set)	Self-explanatory
Incentive Funding 2014–2016 (data set)	Incentive funding awarded in 2014–2016
AMFm ACT order summary 2011–2013 (report)	Summary of orders for ACT in 2011–2013
Funding Decisions (data set)	Information for 2014–2016 allocation period

API – application programming interface

This section contains raw data on the Fund's portfolio through the Fund's API (application programming interface). The API allows software developers to build applications while maintaining a live connection to the Fund's database.

Aidspan uses the API to provide the data contained on its Data Analytics pages. Other organizations also use API; the Global Fund Secretariat does not know precisely how many because users are not required to register in order to access the API. However, Hirji told Aidspan that a number of international organizations, universities and think tanks doing advocacy or research have contacted the Secretariat concerning their use of the API.

The current version of the API software is 2.1; at least two more updates are planned for the rest of 2019. The API page's description says that it supports OData v4, which allows analysts to connect directly to the API through Excel.

All of the data available from the Downloads section of the Data Service pages is also accessible through the API.

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New Data Explorer pages

Meanwhile, the Global Fund has also launched Data Explorer, a new segment of its website to replace the Grant Portfolio pages which contain information on country portfolios and individual grants and which have been very widely accessed by users.

Not all of the information has been transferred yet to the Data Explorer pages, so the Fund's website still contains its Grant Portfolio pages. However, the transfer should be complete by June 2019, when the Fund says it plans to remove the Grant Portfolio pages.

There is a link on the Data Explorer landing page to a page were users can provide feedback on the new site.

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