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AIDSPAN LAUNCHES NEW GRANT PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS TOOL

A new Aidspan data analysis tool launched on 25 June allows users to compare and analyze grant performance over time or at a moment in time, using region, country, disease or recipient as the denominator.

The web-based tool, available on the Aidspan website [here](#) for unlimited use, uses [performance ratings data](#) generated by the Global Fund and assigned to grants over specific disbursement periods. The ratings data is part of the Fund's performance-based funding model, which aims to ensure that funding decisions are based on a transparent assessment of results against time-bound targets.

The Fund's ratings scale scores grant performance against program implementation targets. The ratings scale is defined as:

A – best

B1 – adequate

B2 – inadequate but potential demonstrated

C – unacceptable

Aidspan has assigned each rating a weight to calculate the mean rating over time. Aidspan's weighting algorithm allows users to approximate how well a grant or country is doing over time by plotting the weights on a line graph. Trends depicted by the graphs may help predict potential problems over a grant's lifespan, and review the history of grants or a single grant.

The tool was developed to respond to a need for a holistic mechanism to analyze and compare grant performance using multiple ratings over time, or at a specific point in time.

It now means that Global Fund stakeholders — from the grassroots to the global level — have at their disposal a tool to monitor patterns and grant-performance trends. The design and development of this tool was led by Aidspan's senior systems officer, Kelvin Kinyua.

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