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The IATI Standard Gazette is the official record of proposals and changes to the IATI Standard .

Each edition is distributed via a mailing list and is made available here as part of a perpetual archive.

Each proposal describes how to provide input for that specific proposal.

CHAPTER

ONE

2025 ARCHIVE

This page contains all gazette entries and proposals from 2025.

1.1 Gazette Edition: 2025-11-10

This is the 2025-11-10 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

The following proposed changes will be made 30 days after the date of this email if no objections or requests for further discussion are made:

November 2025 Typographic Updates

The following proposed changes have been previously announced but not made yet:

(none)

The following consultations are currently open:

IATI Standard Change Process Pilot

The following proposed changes have received objections in the last 30 days and are therefore not proceeding:

(none)

The following changes have been made in the last 30 days, or since the last Gazette edition:

(none)

For further information about the IATI Standard and its change control processes, refer to the IATI Standard Website.

1.2 Proposal: November 2025 Typographic Updates

Note

This proposal was circulated in the 2025-11-10 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

No objections were received, and the proposal passed on 2025-12-10. The proposed changes were merged on 2025-12-11.

1.2.1 Current State of Standard

The IATI Standard schema contains a number of typographical errors and inconsistencies.

1.2.2 Proposed Change

To correct these errors and inconsistencies while making the minimum possible change to the text and ensuring no change in meaning.

1.2.3 Rationale

Inconsistencies and typographical errors make it harder for someone to understand the Standard, especially if they are new to working with a data standard such as IATI. When the Standard uses different language in two cases, it should be to indicate that there is some kind of difference in the concept that the text refers to; for example if we refer to a "datetime" in one case and a "date-time stamp" in another, a reader may be confused as to whether this difference in wording means that there should be a difference in the data.

Such issues also make translation harder.

1.2.4 Impact

No data will change validation status as a result of this change. These changes have no impact on how data is validated by the IATI schema and rulesets.

No published (or to be published) data will be affected by these changes, as they are centred on fixing typographies in the schema. This will not mean any change to published data.

These changes do not affect any data publication or tooling. Others that use the IATI schema directly in their systems or processes may choose to bring in the latest version of the schema, but this is not required.

The IATI Standard documentation will update when these changes are implemented. Any other documentation that uses text from the Standard may need to be updated, but if this doesn't happen then there are no adverse effects; the benefit is just not felt as widely.

New and existing users of the Standard will find it easier to understand the requirements of the Standard.

This allows the Secretariat to proceed with engaging translators for the Standard.

1.2.5 Principles Assessment

Principle	Assessment
Increase Simplicity to ensure ease of use	Reducing variance and clarifying text makes the Standard simpler
Improve Conceptual Alignment to ensure intuitive understanding.	No changes to conceptual modelling or meanings of descriptions
Increase Modularity so that concepts can be separated	No changes that affect modularity
Increase the Precision of the Standard	Replacement language is more precise
Improve the Integrity & coherence of the Standard	Unnecessary differences are removed
Integrate the expectation of Change so that the Standard can continue to evolve	No changes that affect the expectation of change

1.2.6 Source Materials & Evidence

A number of inconsistencies were identified by IATI Secretariat staff during a review of the schema. These are detailed in GitHub Issues.

1.2.7 Change Details

A number of terms that were previously inconsistent will be made consistent. Specifically:

- "IATI Specification" and "IATI Standard" become "IATI Standard" in all cases
- When referring to a date-time, using the phrase "date/time"
- Where a boolean is used as a flag, it is referred to consistently as a "flag" without any modifiers. Other booleans have their descriptions clarified.

Where psuedocode is used to demonstrate logic in the Standard, its formatting has been changed to include more line breaks to improve clarity.

A typo in the description of provider-activity-id has been resolved

The descriptions of the @vocabulary-uri and @version attributes have been improved for clarity.

Full details of the proposed changes to the schema can be found at https://github.com/IATI/IATI-Schemas/pull/527

1.2.8 Participation

You can contribute in English, French or Spanish. The Secretariat and the IATI community will use machine translation to read your contribution and respond.

If you have a GitHub account, you can comment on the pull request. Please start your comment with the words:

SUPPORT - if this proposal is something that you wish to see proceed

QUESTION - if you require more information to form a view on the proposal

CONCERN - if this proposal concerns you and you would like to see a revision or amendment

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CHAPTER

TWO

2026 ARCHIVE

This page contains all gazette entries and proposals from 2026.

2.1 Gazette Edition: 2026-02-09

This is the 2026-02-09 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

The following proposed changes will be made 30 days after the date of this email if no objections or requests for further discussion are made:

GFNS Tag Vocabulary

The following proposed changes have been previously announced but not made yet:

<none>

The following consultations are currently open:

<none>

The following proposed changes have received objections in the last 45 days and are therefore not proceeding:

<none>

The following changes have been made in the last 45 days, or since the last Gazette edition:

November 2025 Typographic Updates

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2.2 Gazette Edition: 2026-03-18

This is the 2026-03-18 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

The following proposed changes will be made 30 days after the date of this email if no objections or requests for further discussion are made:

Add FTS Flow ID to other-identifier-code

The following proposed changes have been previously announced but not made yet:

<none>

The following consultations are currently open:

What is the scope of the IATI Standard?

The following proposed changes have received objections in the last 45 days and are therefore not proceeding:

<none>

The following changes have been made in the last 45 days, or since the last Gazette edition:

GFNS Tag Vocabulary

For further information about the IATI Standard and its change control processes, refer to the IATI Standard Website.

2.3 Gazette Edition: 2026-06-30

This is the 2026-06-30 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

The following proposed changes will be made 30 days after the date of this email if no objections or requests for further discussion are made:

Synchronisation with OECD DAC codelists

The following proposed changes have been previously announced but not made yet:

<none>

The following consultations are currently open:

What is the scope of the IATI Standard?

The following proposed changes have received objections in the last 45 days and are therefore not proceeding:

<none>

The following changes have been made in the last 45 days, or since the last Gazette edition:

Add FTS Flow ID to other-identifier-code

For further information about the IATI Standard and its change control processes, refer to the IATI Standard Website.

2.4 Proposal: Add FTS Flow ID to other-identifier-code

Note

This proposal was circulated in the 2026-03-18 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

No objections were received, and the proposal passed on 2026-04-17. The proposed changes were merged on 2026-04-20.

Attention

IATI reporting does not replace commitments to report to FTS, even with this new code.

See this IATI Connect post for more details on IATI - FTS interoperability following this proposal passing.

2.4.1 Current Rule

The Other Identifier Type codelist contains three codes to describe different kinds of identifier that may refer to the same activity: one for a reporting org's internal ID, one for a CRS ID, and one for a previous IATI activity-id. There is also one catch-all code, for any other identifier.

2.4.2 Proposed Change

That a fourth code be added to the list, for an FTS Flow ID that refers to the same activity as the IATI activity.

2.4.3 Rationale

Many organisations that support humanitarian work report to both UN-OCHA's Financial Tracking Service (FTS) and IATI; providing a way to link between the two means that a data user can be assured that an FTS flow and an IATI activity do, in fact, refer to the same funding. FTS and IATI have different scopes; combining data from both allows for a more well-rounded analysis to be conducted.

2.4.4 Impact

Adding a new code to an existing non-core codelist has no impact on validation status. IATI tools will not need to be updated except to support the new code in filters.

Neither publishers nor data users will need to change existing routines as a direct result of this change.

Organisations that publish to both IATI and FTS will be able to publish a new value that creates a connection between the publicly available data across IATI and FTS. Organisations whose IATI data is suitably structured may be able automate their FTS reporting from their IATI data using this new value.

Users of IATI, in particular creators of dashboards and data analysis tools, will be able to incorporate IATI and FTS data more easily into their analysis.

Approximately 1/3 IATI activities are flagged as humanitarian, so the potential value is substantial.

2.4.5 Principles Assessment

Principle	Assessment
Increase Simplicity to ensure ease of use	Using an existing codelist to add new functionality
Improve Conceptual Alignment to ensure intuitive understanding.	Ensures that organisations that report to FTS as well can more richly describe their work
Increase Modularity so that concepts can be separated	No change
Increase the Precision of the Standard	Where an organisation's humanitarian work is aligned with FTS definitions this can be communicated
Improve the Integrity & coherence of the Standard	No change
Integrate the expectation of Change so that the Standard can continue to evolve	A potentially impactful change with minimal external effects

2.4.6 Source Materials & Evidence

During 2025, Denmark's Ministry of Foreign Affairs carried out a pilot project using their IATI publication to create their FTS reporting submissions. This was successful, and this proposal supports wider adoption of this practice.

2.4.7 Change Details

A new code, A4, will be added to the Other Identifier Type codelist with name "FTS Flow ID" and description "Identifier assigned by UN-OCHA once the flow has been curated and published in FTS"

See this GitHub Pull Request for details.

2.4.8 Implementation

The IATI Standard will be updated on GitHub immediately after the 30 day proposal period ends; the IATI website will be updated within a few days.

IATI Secretariat-maintained tools will be updated during their usual maintenance cycles, which are over several months.

2.4.9 Participation

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2.5 Proposal: Synchronisation with OECD DAC codelists

> **Note**
>
> This proposal was circulated in the 2026-06-30 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette. No objections were received, and the proposal passed on 2026-07-30. The proposed changes were merged on 2026-08-03.

2.5.1 Current Rule

Several IATI codelists are derived from the OECD DAC codelists. These were last updated on 2023-08-29. Subsequent updates have been delayed because of the work required to update the synchronisation code following changes to the DAC's systems.

2.5.2 Proposed Change

Update the relevant IATI codelists to the latest OECD DAC version available as of 4 June 2026.

IATI codelists now use the authoritative OECD source (Development finance classifications) rather than the previously agreed IATI XML version, which is now broadly in line with the IATI XML structure.

The IATI codelist for Sector to include a flag for CRS or TOSSD.

The following codelists will be updated, in line with the OECD DAC source:

- Aid Type
- CRS Channel
- Finance Type
- Flow Type

- Sector (Purpose Code in source)

Additionally, two IATI codelists which act as category lists will be updated:

- Aid Type category
- Sector category

2.5.3 Rationale

Keeping IATI and OECD DAC codelists in close synchronisation ensures cross-compatibility between IATI, CRS and TOSSD datasets, and enables better harmonisation. Minimising the delay in this synchronisation also reduces possible validation errors and other feedback for publishers.

2.5.4 Impact

No data will see its validation status downgraded because of this change; IATI's approach to withdrawn codes is to keep them in the codelist with `status="withdrawn"` to ensure that validation is not affected.

Any data that currently uses the codes added by this update will currently have Error status; this update will resolve that.

Many of the changes are to the descriptions of codes, or are updates to category codes. Organisations should review the new descriptions to ensure that they are still using the correct codes: some description changes narrow the scope of codes, or advise the use of alternative codes for specific cases.

For each codelist, a full analysis has been prepared, which details:

- where each codelist is used in the IATI Standard;
- the number of reporting organisations using the values that will be updated;
- changed, new and withdrawn codes, where relevant;
- a summary box of the changes.

The same analysis is also provided for the two category lists.

2.5.5 Principles Assessment

Principle	Assessment
Increase Simplicity to ensure ease of use	Uses the authoritative OECD source directly
Improve Conceptual Alignment to ensure intuitive understanding.	Brings IATI codes back in line with OECD DAC
Increase Modularity so that concepts can be separated	No change
Increase the Precision of the Standard	No change
Improve the Integrity & coherence of the Standard	No change
Integrate the expectation of Change so that the Standard can continue to evolve	Restores regular synchronisation with OECD updates

2.5.6 Source Materials & Evidence

Codelist change analysis (IATI Secretariat) Development finance codelists (OECD DAC)

2.5.7 Change Details

See this GitHub Pull Request for the specific changes proposed.

2.5.8 Implementation

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IATI Secretariat-maintained tools will be updated during their usual maintenance cycles, which are over several months.

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2.6 Proposal: GFNS Tag Vocabulary

> **Note**
>
> This proposal was circulated in the 2026-02-09 edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.
>
> No objections were received, and the proposal passed on 2026-03-16. The proposed changes were merged on 2026-03-16.

2.6.1 Current Rule

The Tag Vocabulary codelist has 4 named values and a single “meta” value

2.6.2 Proposed Change

Add a new code to the Tag Vocabulary codelist: 5 for Global Food and Nutrition Security (GFNS).

Use of an ISO 2-letter country code alongside this vocabulary indicates that the activity relates to a GFNS Preparedness Plan.

2.6.3 Rationale

Activation by a country's government of a Global Food and Nutrition Security (GFNS) Preparedness Plan (PP) results in the rapid deployment of resources in a pre-agreed manner to address a situation quickly and efficiently.

When a PP is activated, it is important that the response from donors can be quickly identified, and distinguished from unrelated Food & Nutrition Security (FNS) activity.

IATI data contains much of the necessary information for tracking response to PP activation, and can be published and updated quickly.

However, the IATI Standard lacks a way of differentiating between a specific PP activation response and other work to address FNS issues that may be ongoing.

The addition of a specific vocabulary enables activities that are wholly or partly associated with a PP activation to be consistently and unambiguously identified.

By adding this vocabulary to IATI, existing data infrastructure can be leveraged for this new and impactful application as well as contributing valuable data to the wider IATI corpus.

2.6.4 Impact

Those responding to Global Food and Nutrition Security (GFNS) Preparedness Plan activations will be able to use IATI data to annotate and flag relevant activities.

No data will become invalid as a result of this change.

Data publication and use systems will need to add the new code only if required to publish or use data that includes it. Other systems should be unaffected.

Tools that use the tag vocabulary codelist (eg d-portal, IATI Datastore) will update, to enable users to filter IATI data for this.

As of 18th January 2026, no published data uses the proposed new code, so the risk of accidental use of the new code is negligible.

2.6.5 Principles Assessment

Principle	Assessment
Increase Simplicity to ensure ease of use	No change
Improve Conceptual Alignment to ensure intuitive understanding.	No change
Increase Modularity so that concepts can be separated	No change
Increase the Precision of the Standard	Creates a new application of the Standard without introducing new data structures.
Improve the Integrity & coherence of the Standard	No change
Integrate the expectation of Change so that the Standard can continue to evolve	Demonstrates IATI's responsiveness to changing requirements

2.6.6 Source Materials & Evidence

IATI has a long-running strategic partnership with GFNS in order to advance our shared mission. This change has been developed through collaboration between both organisations and in consultation with organisations that will be responding to PP activations.

To support usage of this code, implementation documentation has been prepared.

2.6.7 Change Details

See this GitHub Pull Request for the specific changes proposed.

2.6.8 Implementation

The IATI Standard will be updated on GitHub immediately after the 30 day proposal period ends; the IATI website will be updated within a few days.

IATI Secretariat-maintained tools will be updated during their usual maintenance cycles, which are over several months.

2.6.9 Participation

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CHAPTER

THREE

PROPOSAL TEMPLATE

All proposals follow this format.

3.1 Current Rule

Describe the current rule in accessible language, while still being precise. This would typically be 20-50 words.

3.2 Proposed Change

Describe the proposed change in accessible language, while still being precise. This would typically be 10-20 words.

3.3 Rationale

Describe one or more reasons why this change is worthwhile. These should be compelling but not overstated; if they are based on supposition or "common sense" then say so.

This would typically be 50-100 words.

3.4 Impact

Describe the effect of the change, as far as it can be determined. This should be concise without omitting important information. This would typically be 50-100 words.

Describe the effect of the change on individual data items or datasets: will validation status change? What will we see in IATI's tooling as a result of this change? Do existing publishers or data users need to do anything as a direct result of this change?

Describe the benefits of the change: what becomes easier or possible as a result of the change? Are there any actions required to see the benefit of the change?

Describe the scale of the impact: how much published data is affected by the change - how many activities, by how many reporting orgs? Does it affect a certain type of reporting org more than others?

3.5 Principles Assessment

The IATI Standard Change Principles provide a framework of criteria that any proposed change should respect. Assess the proposed change against the principles.

Principle	Assessment
Increase Simplicity to ensure ease of use	*5-10 word assessment*
Improve Conceptual Alignment to ensure intuitive understanding.	*5-10 word assessment*
Increase Modularity so that concepts can be separated	*5-10 word assessment*
Increase the Precision of the Standard	*5-10 word assessment*
Improve the Integrity & coherence of the Standard	*5-10 word assessment*
Integrate the expectation of Change so that the Standard can continue to evolve	*5-10 word assessment*

3.6 Source Materials & Evidence

50-100 words to describe the the evidence that supports this change, or any source materials that have led to this proposal being made such as reports from the community

3.7 Change Details

50-100 words to describe the changes & link to GitHub PR(s) with the proposed changes.

3.8 Implementation

25-100 words describing how the implementation will proceed after the 45 day notification period has ended

3.9 Participation

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Add any further means of participation as appropriate

CHAPTER

FOUR

GAZETTE TEMPLATE

Each edition of the IATI Standard Gazette follows this format.

When linking to proposal pages, use the Sphinx `:doc:` role rather than hardcoded URLs so that links work correctly in PR preview builds as well as on the live site. Use a path relative to the current file's directory for proposals in the same year, or an absolute path (from the docs root) for proposals in other years:

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:doc:`Proposal Title <proposal-slug>`
:doc:`Proposal Title </2025/proposal-slug>`
```

4.1 IATI Standard Gazette

This is the YYYY-MM-DD edition of the IATI Standard Gazette.

The following proposed changes will be made 45 days after the date of this email if no objections or requests for further discussion are made:

<list>

The following proposed changes have been previously announced but not made yet:

<list>

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<list>

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<list>

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<list>

The following content may be relevant to IATI Gazette readers:

<list>

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CHAPTER

FIVE

POTENTIAL CHANGES: ACTIVITY STANDARD

This table curates known potential changes for the IATI Activity Standard.

It is provided to give context and support to anyone interested in the future direction of the IATI Standard. It should not be interpreted as a backlog of items that will definitely be implemented.

For potential changes to be considered, a proposal is required. A proposal can consist of one or several potential changes, but requires clear rationale and impact assessment before any consideration.

At present, the IATI Secretariat will maintain this log for public access. Discussions, considerations, and ideas around potential changes for the IATI Standard are expected to take place in online and other fora, to ensure relevant stakeholders and use cases are clearly articulated and considered.

Element/Attribute	Proposed Change	Rationale	Source	Status
iati-activity/budget/@type	Add rules for revised budgets. The IATI Standard currently allows multiple versions of a revised budget to be published for the same time period.	Data users should be able to sum the budget figures to get totals for a country or region.	"Evidence for a Major Upgrade" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
iati-activity/budget/@type and @status	Change budget @status and @type to boolean.	Budget type and status are not mandatory, so it can be hard for a data user to know whether a budget is indicative/committed or original/revised. As 2 item codelists, a boolean could meet this need.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
iati-activity/budget/budget line	Add a budget-line element to the Activity Standard, as in the Organisation Standard .	To allow linkage between organisation and activity level budget lines.	Requested by IATI Community Member, Oct 2023	Added Nov 2025
iati-activity/country-budget-items	Remove the country-budget-items element from the Standard.	Element is redundant, superseded by the sector codes .	Initial discussions in 2017. "Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
iati-activity/activity-date and iati-activity/activity-status	Add rules to require that activity status and dates must align.	Tools and data users struggle to categorise activities, as often the status doesn't match the dates.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research State of the Data 3: Timeliness	Added Nov 2025
iati-activity/@default-currency	Clarify Rule 7.8.1: "The activity should specify a default currency OR the currency must be specified for each monetary value."	The transaction example usage specifies that "A Currency code should only be declared if different to @default-currency in the iati-activity element."	Identified via IATI Support queries.	Added Nov 2025

CHAPTER

SIX

POTENTIAL CHANGES: ORGANISATION STANDARD

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Element/Attribute	Proposed Change	Rationale	Source	Status
iati-organisation/organisation-identifier	Change definition from "Machine-readable identification string for the organisation issuing the report." to "Machine-readable identification string for the organisation being reported on."	To correct an error in the Standard. The current definition duplicates the iati-organisation/reporting-org/@ref definition.	Identified via IATI Support queries.	Added Nov 2025
iati-organisation/organisation-identifier	Update the definition to declare that they are case insensitive.	To simplify analysis of IATI data, and avoid mis-matches due to case.	Current secretariat work	Added Nov 2025

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POTENTIAL CHANGES: CODELISTS

This table curates known potential changes to codeslists in the IATI Standard.

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Aid Type	Add missing descriptions.	To ensure that data users and reporting organisations have a shared understanding of the codelist.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Budget not provided	Add missing descriptions.	To ensure that data users and reporting organisations have a shared understanding of the codelist.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Budget Identifier	Remove the codelist.	As of version 2.03 this codelist has been deprecated.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Budget Identifier Sector	Remove the codelist.	Assumed to be deprecated via Budget Identifier deprecation in v2.03.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Budget Identifier Sector (category)	Remove the codelist.	Assumed to be deprecated via Budget Identifier deprecation in v2.03.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Budget Identifier Vocabulary	Remove the codelist.	Assumed to be deprecated via Budget Identifier deprecation in v2.03.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025

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Document Category	Add missing descriptions.	To ensure that data users and reporting organisations have a shared understanding of the codelist.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Document Category	Reformat codelist so that activity and organisation level documents are more clearly defined. Deprecate the Document Category (category) codelist.	Currently, A codes are for activity level documents and B codes are for organisation level documents. This is not clear to data users or publishers.	Identified via IATI Support queries.	Added Nov 2025
Finance Type	Add an alternative codelist	The existing codelist is taken from the DAC/CRS transaction classification. Reporting organisations have become more varied since IATIs inception, and struggle to map to internal codes.	Identified via IATI Support queries.	Added Nov 2025
Gazetteer Agency	Remove the codelist.	Assumed to be deprecated via iati-activity/location/gazetteer-entry deprecation in v1.04.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Geographical Precision	Remove the codelist.	Assumed to be deprecated via iati-activity/location/coordinates deprecation in v1.04.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Humanitarian Scope Type	Add missing descriptions.	To ensure that data users and reporting organisations have a shared understanding of the codelist.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Humanitarian Scope Vocabulary	Replace the values 1-2 and 2-1 with 12 and 21.	Microsoft Excel interprets 1-2 and 2-1 as dates, which makes it hard to work with IATI data that uses this codelist in spreadsheets.	2024 Members Assembly Session	Added Nov 2025
Location Type (category)	Add missing descriptions.	To ensure that data users and reporting organisations have a shared understanding of the codelist.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Organisation Type	Map the codelist to the OECD DAC codes.	To allow easy mapping between systems.	Initial discussions in 2016. Requested by IATI Community Member, Sept 2025	Added Nov 2025
Organisation Type (category)	Add missing descriptions.	To ensure that data users and reporting organisations have a shared understanding of the codelist.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025

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Result Vocabulary	Deprecate the codelist.	This element is required but has one value.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025
Transaction Type	Remove little used transaction types. Form a new codelist to provide this extra "@detail".	Rare transaction types are often excluded from data use queries, so the data is not used.	"Standardising the Standard" Previous secretariat research	Added Nov 2025