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“We have meanwhile set up a process and there are also independent institutions monitoring which objectives of our G7 meetings we actually achieve. When it comes to these goals we have a compliance rate of about 80%, according to the University of Toronto. Germany, with its 87%, comes off pretty well. That means that next year too, under the Japanese G7 presidency, we are going to check where we stand in comparison to what we have discussed with each other now. So a lot of what we have resolved to do here together is something that we are going to have to work very hard at over the next few months. But I think that it has become apparent that we, as the G7, want to assume responsibility far beyond the prosperity in our own countries. That’s why today’s outreach meetings, that is the meetings with our guests, were also of great importance.”

Chancellor Angela Merkel, Schloss Elmau, 8 June 2015

G7 summits are a moment for people to judge whether aspirational intent is met by concrete commitments. The G7 Research Group provides a report card on the implementation of G7 and G20 commitments. It is a good moment for the public to interact with leaders and say, you took a leadership position on these issues — a year later, or three years later, what have you accomplished?

Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme,
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8. Development: International Development Partnerships and Private Sector Investments

“Fostering new international development partnerships, and capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.”

Charlevoix Commitment on Innovative Financing for Development

Assessment

Country	Lack of Compliance	Work in Progress	Full Compliance
Canada			+1
France			+1
Germany			+1
Italy		0	
Japan			+1
United Kingdom			+1
United States			+1
European Union			+1
Average		+0.88	

Background

This commitment is a collective pledge by G7 members to advance innovative forms of development finance. The commitment was made in response to the identified gap in traditional development financing, and reliance on public sector support in the status quo.¹²⁶⁰ In order to address infrastructural and investment-related deficits in global development projects, the G7 has explored policies, regulatory frameworks, and subsidies to attract private investment in sustainable development projects.¹²⁶¹ This sentiment to catalyze private sector contributions to development initiatives has also been welcomed by other international organizations, namely the United Nations and World Bank.

The two parts of this commitment, international development partnerships, and private sector investments have respectively had a diverse and substantial history in G7 summitry. Below are a few notable examples.

On 8 June 2015, the Elmau Leaders' Declaration referenced the topic of “growth for all.” Specifically, it states the G7's collective will to achieve “effective resource mobilization in partnership with the private sector.”¹²⁶² This document also acknowledges the role of the private sector in implementing human rights, developing low-carbon technologies to build climate resilience, improving food security and nutrition, and creating a gender-equal work environment and job market — all of which are issue areas in the field of international sustainable development.¹²⁶³

¹²⁶⁰ Canada Leads in Bringing Together G7 Private Sector Investment for International Development, Department of Finance Canada (Toronto) 6 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.fin.gc.ca/n18/18-046-eng.asp>

¹²⁶¹ Facilitating private-sector investment, The Global Governance Project (Toronto) Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.g7g20summits.org/opinions/facilitating-private-sector-investment/>

¹²⁶² 2015 Elmau Summit — Leaders' Declaration: G7 Summit, G7 Information Centre (Schloss Elmau) 8 June 2015. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2015elmau/2015-G7-declaration-en.html>

¹²⁶³ 2015 Elmau Summit — Leaders' Declaration: G7 Summit, G7 Information Centre (Schloss Elmau) 8 June 2015. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2015elmau/2015-G7-declaration-en.html>

On 17 May 2016, the G7 Environment Ministers communiqué was adopted in Toyama during Japan's G7 presidency.¹²⁶⁴ The outcomes of this meeting emphasize the role of partnerships and working with the private sector to transition to a low-carbon society, foster green financial systems, and reach the objectives outlined in the Paris Agreement.¹²⁶⁵

A notable example of the spirit of this commitment is evident in the Charlevoix summit's hallmark pledge to empower girls and women with education, poverty alleviation, and gender equality in underserved communities around the world. On 25 May 2018, prior to the Charlevoix summit, the Canadian Minister for International Development and La Francophonie Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau called upon investors, philanthropists, and the private sector to contribute to this cause.¹²⁶⁶ The summit resulted in a pledge by G7 "development finance institutions and their private sector partners" to contribute CAD 3 billion over the course of the next two years.¹²⁶⁷ This ambitious commitment seeks to foster development partnerships among G7 members, and specifically to finance development projects through inter-sectoral collaboration.

On 26-27 May 2017, the President of the African Development Bank (ADB), Akinwumi A. Adesina, attended the Taormina summit in Italy.¹²⁶⁸ In his remarks, he referenced the wish of the ADB to "help advance private sector investment from G7 countries in Africa."¹²⁶⁹ Development in Africa has been a recurring topic in the G7's outreach programme and summit outcomes over the past several years. Both the Taormina and Charlevoix summits in 2017 and 2018 committed to partnering with the African continent to realize African Union Agenda 2063, serving as one notable example of the G7's international development partnerships.¹²⁷⁰

On 1 June 2018, the G7 development and finance ministers published a news release after their ministerial meeting in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada.¹²⁷¹ The meeting centered around the Charlevoix summit priority of inclusive growth, and discussed "innovative financing approaches to

¹²⁶⁴ G7 Environment Ministers Communiqué, Toyama Meeting, United Nations Climate Change (Toyoma) 17 May 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://unfccc.int/news/g7-environment-ministers-communique-toyama-meeting>

¹²⁶⁵ G7 Environment Ministers Communiqué, Toyama Meeting, United Nations Climate Change (Toyoma) 17 May 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://unfccc.int/news/g7-environment-ministers-communique-toyama-meeting>

¹²⁶⁶ Canada announces new partnership to fund gender equality and empower women and girls in developing countries, Government of Canada — Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 25 May 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/05/canada-announces-new-partnership-to-fund-gender-equality-and-empower-women-and-girls-in-developing-countries.html>

¹²⁶⁷ The G7's significant substantive success at the 2018 Charlevoix Summit, The Global Governance Project (Toronto) Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.g7g20summits.org/opinions/the-g7s-significant-substantive-success-at-the-2018-charlevoix-summit/>

¹²⁶⁸ Remarks by Akinwumi A. Adesina, President of the African Development Bank, at the G7 Summit, May 26-27, 2017, Taormina, Italy, African Development Bank Group (Taormina) 29 May 2017. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/remarks-by-akinwumi-a-adesina-president-of-the-african-development-bank-at-the-g7-summit-may-26-27-2017-taormina-italy-17054/>

¹²⁶⁹ Remarks by Akinwumi A. Adesina, President of the African Development Bank, at the G7 Summit, May 26-27, 2017, Taormina, Italy, African Development Bank Group (Taormina) 29 May 2017. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/remarks-by-akinwumi-a-adesina-president-of-the-african-development-bank-at-the-g7-summit-may-26-27-2017-taormina-italy-17054/>

¹²⁷⁰ The Charlevoix G7 Summit Communiqué, G7 Information Centre (La Malbaie) 9 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2018charlevoix/communique.html>

¹²⁷¹ G7 Development and Finance Ministers Discuss Investing in Growth that Works for Everyone, G7 2018 Charlevoix (Whistler) 1 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://g7.gc.ca/en/g7-development-finance-ministers-discuss-investing-growth-that-works-everyone/>

mobilize private capital for sustainable development, including supporting new partnerships to connect the public sector and private investment communities.”¹²⁷²

International sustainable development is a concept spearheaded by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals or 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.¹²⁷³ This G7 commitment to foster inclusive growth through international partnerships and private sector investment echo the 2030 blueprint for global action.

Commitment Features

The first part of this commitment reflects the G7’s collective commitment to foster new international development partnerships. “Foster” is defined as “encourag[ing] the development of something.”¹²⁷⁴ Partnerships in the field of development can refer to inter-sectoral, inter-state, or inter-regional collaboration. Partnered actors include but are not limited to the private sector, educational partners, civil society organizations, public sector and government institutions at various levels, internal institutions created by the G7, external inter-governmental organizations and more. Cooperation can include actions such as sharing best practices, resource pooling, institutional learning, international standard coordination, stakeholder consultations, and meetings etc. Notably, such international development partnerships must be “new.” This means that initiatives that count towards compliance should be newly created programs that involve actors in multiple states, rather than actions reinforcing pre-existing channels of cooperation or fundraising.

The second part of this commitment is dedicated to developing the “capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development.” Specifically, this commits G7 governments to develop its ability to engage the private sector and fund sustainable international development. Examples of actions in this regard include working with business entities for development financing, building public-private partnerships, etc. As indicated by the word “more,” G7 members must demonstrate capacity-building attempts to liaise and generate additional financial contributions in tandem with private sector actors, in order to achieve compliance in this part of the commitment.

The text of the commitment ends by referencing one of the summit priorities set by the Canadian G7 presidency in 2018 — inclusive growth.¹²⁷⁵ Thus, to achieve compliance in either part of the commitment, G7 members must demonstrate efforts to strive for equitable and accessible distribution of resources, as well as shared benefit from economic growth. Actions that count toward compliance in this regard may demonstrate explicit or special attention to vulnerable and underserved communities, historically disadvantaged demographics, hard-to-reach populations, or any groups excluded from conventional development financing. This emphasis on inclusive growth must be realized in a way simultaneous to fostering “new international developmental partnerships and the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international

¹²⁷² G7 Development and Finance Ministers Discuss Investing in Growth that Works for Everyone, G7 2018 Charlevoix (Whistler) 1 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://g7.gc.ca/en/g7-development-finance-ministers-discuss-investing-growth-that-works-everyone/>

¹²⁷³ Sustainable Development Goals, Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform (New York) Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/?menu=1300>

¹²⁷⁴ Compliance Coding Manual for International Institutional Commitments, G7 and G20 Research Groups (Toronto) 7 May 2018. Access Date: 23 September 2018.

¹²⁷⁵ Canada’s G7 Themes, G7 2018 Charlevoix (Ottawa) 14 December 2017. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://g7.gc.ca/en/g7-presidency/themes/>

development.” For further context on the concept of inclusive growth, please refer to the outcomes and documents of the G7 Ministerial Meeting in Whistler on 31 May–2 June 2018.¹²⁷⁶

To achieve full compliance, the G7 member must foster new international development partnerships, while fostering its capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development; and foster both with an emphasis on inclusive growth.

If the G7 member only meets the threshold of action for the former or latter half of the commitment, it will be assigned a score of 0 or partial compliance. If the G7 member does not comply with either part of the commitment, it will be scored for non-compliance, or –1.

Scoring Guidelines

–1	The G7 member does NOT foster new international development partnerships NOR the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with NO particular attention to inclusive growth.
0	The G7 member fosters new international development partnerships OR the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.
+1	The G7 member fosters new international development partnerships AND the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

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Canada: +1

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 10 June 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced a CAD3.8 billion investment alongside the European Union, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank to “support quality education for women and girls living in crisis, conflict-affected and fragile states.”¹²⁷⁷

On 24 September 2018, the Government of Canada announced a CAD20 million contribution to the Global Infrastructure Hub (GI Hub) in Toronto, Ontario. The goal of the GI Hub is to bring together public and private investors and develop critical infrastructure projects that “benefit people, strengthen communities, and connect global markets.”¹²⁷⁸ The projects are aimed at addressing key challenges around sustainable economic growth, gender representation, and infrastructure in mitigating the threats posed by climate change.¹²⁷⁹

¹²⁷⁶ G7 Ministerial Meeting: Investing in Growth that Works For Everyone, G7 2018 Charlevoix (Ottawa) Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://g7.gc.ca/en/g7-presidency/themes/investing-growth-works-everyone/g7-ministerial-meeting/>

¹²⁷⁷ Prime Minister concludes successful G7 Summit focused on creating economic growth that benefits everyone, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 10 June 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/prime-minister-concludes-successful-g7-summit-focused-on-creating-economic-growth-that-benefits-everyone-685080361.html>

¹²⁷⁸ Canada supports global infrastructure with new hub in Toronto, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 24 September 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/canada-supports-global-infrastructure-with-new-hub-in-toronto-694179751.html>

¹²⁷⁹ Prime Minister concludes successful week at United Nations General Assembly, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 28 August 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/09/26/prime-minister-concludes-successful-week-united-nations-general-assembly>

On 23 September 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez approved the Canada-Spain Cooperation Agenda, a collaborative agreement to “closely create economic growth that benefits everyone, combat climate change, advance gender equality, and build a safer, more peaceful world.”¹²⁸⁰

On 25 October 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Prime Minister of the Netherlands Mark Rutte welcomed increased partnership between the two countries in fighting climate change and explored how to better leverage the Canada-EU Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement at the Canada-Netherlands roundtable on climate adaptation. Canada further announced the investment of CAD7.5 million in financial support towards the Global Commission on Adaptation, which is spearheaded by the Netherlands.¹²⁸¹

On 13 November 2018, the Government of Canada announced CAD 19.5 million of funding for a Right to Play project and CAD 750 000 for a World Food Programme project.¹²⁸² The Right to Play project operates in Ghana, Mozambique, and Rwanda to improve primary education and eliminate barriers to gender equality.¹²⁸³ The World Food Programme project provides nutrition-related humanitarian support for refugees in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Burundi through food distribution programs.¹²⁸⁴

On 18 November 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau attended the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Leaders’ Meeting in Papua New Guinea. In addition to reaffirming Canada’s commitment to expanding trade and global investment within the Asia-Pacific region and creating new economic opportunities, the Prime Minister also announced a CAD20 million investment in increased technological assistance and capacity development in public financial management, financial sector supervisory, and fostering inclusive growth.¹²⁸⁵

Canada has improved its capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development and has fostered new international development partnerships.

Thus, Canada receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Sunny Wang

¹²⁸⁰ Prime Minister announce increased collaboration with Spain, Prime Minister’s Office, (Ottawa) 23 September 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/09/23/prime-minister-announces-increased-collaboration-spain>

¹²⁸¹ Prime Minister welcomes increased partnership with Netherlands, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 25 October 2018. Access Date: 9 December 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/10/25/prime-minister-welcomes-increased-partnership-netherlands>

¹²⁸² Canada announces funding for projects in Rwanda, Government of Canada (Ottawa) 13 November 2018. Access Date: 20 November 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-rwanda.html>

¹²⁸³ Canada announces funding for projects in Rwanda, Government of Canada (Ottawa) 13 November 2018. Access Date: 20 November 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-rwanda.html>

¹²⁸⁴ Canada announces funding for projects in Rwanda, Government of Canada (Ottawa) 13 November 2018. Access Date: 20 November 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-rwanda.html>

¹²⁸⁵ Prime Minister Concludes Successful APEC Meeting, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 18 November 2018. Access Date: 9 December 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/11/18/prime-minister-concludes-productive-apec-leaders-meeting>

France: +1

France has fully complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 3 September 2018, the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs announced that its financial contributions towards poor and fragile countries through the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) will be increased by EUR1 billion in 2019.¹²⁸⁶ Two of the AFD's five foundational commitments made for the 2018-2022 period are non-sovereign first and partnership by design. Non-sovereign first is the recognition that non-sovereign entities such as foundations, companies, and financial institutions have a role to play in development. The AFD will make it an objective to dedicate more funding to non-sovereign entities. Partnership by design is a commitment to working with partners, and the AFD will ensure systematic openness to all potential partners.¹²⁸⁷

On 3 October 2018, French development finance institution Proparco and German development finance institution DEG signed a USD150 million credit facility to the Mauritius Commercial Bank Limited. This action will finance long-term corporate and infrastructure projects in Mauritius and sub-Saharan Africa.¹²⁸⁸

On 8 November 2018, Proparco signed a EUR150 million loan to Nachtigal Hydro Power Company, which will be used to finance the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of a 420 MW run-of-river hydropower plant in Cameroon.¹²⁸⁹

On 22 November 2018, Proparco announced a USD18 million credit line granted to Fransabank. Fransabank, a leading Lebanese bank, will use the credit line to support Lebanese small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and corporations in difficulty.¹²⁹⁰

On 27 November 2018, Proparco signed three credit facilities that will contribute to the development of renewable energies and small agri-business in Central America. Proparco granted a USD20 million loan to the Latin American Agribusiness Development Corporation. Around 40 agricultural SMEs in Mexico will benefit from this new funding.¹²⁹¹ Proparco also granted a USD28 million loan to the French solar and wind energy specialist Neoen to construct a 140MTWp solar

¹²⁸⁶ Development aid set to increase by EUR1bn in 2019, Gouvernement.fr (Paris) 3 September 2018. Access Date: 2 November 2018. <https://www.gouvernement.fr/en/development-aid-set-to-increase-by-eu1bn-in-2019>

¹²⁸⁷ Factsheet: Strategy AFD 2018-2022 synthesis, Agence Française de Développement (Paris) 3 September 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. <https://www.afd.fr/en/afd-group-2018-2022-strategy>

¹²⁸⁸ Proparco and DEG sign a US\$150 Million Loan to the Mauritius Commercial Bank Limited to Support Corporate and Infrastructure Projects in Africa, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 3 October 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-and-deg-sign-us150-million-loan-mauritius-commercial-bank-limited-support-corporate-and>

¹²⁸⁹ Cameroon: AFD Group Signs a ERU 150M Financing Agreement for the Construction of the Nachtigal Hydropower Plant, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 8 November 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/cameroon-afd-group-signs-eur-150m-financing-agreement-construction-nachtigal-hydropower-plant>

¹²⁹⁰ Proparco and Fransabank Strengthen Their Collaboration in Favor of Lebanese Companies, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 22 November 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-and-fransabank-strengthen-their-collaboration-favor-lebanese-companies>

¹²⁹¹ Proparco Grants \$83M to Support Renewable Energies and Small Agri-Businesses in Central America, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 27 November 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-grants-83m-support-renewable-energies-and-small-agri-businesses-central-america>

power plant in El Salvador.¹²⁹² Finally, Proparco provided a 35 million loan to Banco Ficohsa, Honduras' largest bank. This amount will provide loans to renewable energy projects in the country.¹²⁹³

On 28 November 2018, President Emmanuel Macron and Romanian President Klaus Iohannis signed a strategic partnership agreement on the development of economic cooperation, transport and energy efficiency, culture, and education by 2022. Both countries committed to stepping up their bilateral dialogue on European affairs and fostering international cooperation in areas such as defense, security, and technological innovation.¹²⁹⁴

On 6 December 2018, the Government of France pledged EUR400 million in development funding, aid, and security to the European Union's EUR1.3 billion project on G5 Sahel priorities in Africa.¹²⁹⁵ As part of France's commitment to the Priority Investment Programme, this investment aims to improve living conditions, build resilience in agricultural production, and foster economic development within states that are currently under conditions of insecurity and impoverishment.¹²⁹⁶

On 9 December 2018, Proparco signed a USD5.8 million investment in the first closing for the Sawari Ventures North Africa Fund I. This fund will invest in around 25 fast-growing start-ups in Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia.¹²⁹⁷

On 12 December 2018, Proparco arranged a USD30 million senior debt facility to support Uganda's second largest bank, DFCU Bank. The funds will be used to bridge long-term financing gaps for SMEs.¹²⁹⁸

France has improved its capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development through the AFD and has fostered new international development partnerships.

Thus, France receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Sunny Wang

¹²⁹² Proparco Grants \$83M to Support Renewable Energies and Small Agri-Businesses in Central America, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 27 November 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-grants-83m-support-renewable-energies-and-small-agri-businesses-central-america>

¹²⁹³ Proparco Grants \$83M to Support Renewable Energies and Small Agri-Businesses in Central America, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 27 November 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-grants-83m-support-renewable-energies-and-small-agri-businesses-central-america>

¹²⁹⁴ Iohannis, Macron sign political statement on Strategic Partnership, Act Media (Romania) 28 November 2018. Access Date: 10 December 2018. <https://www.actmedia.eu/daily/iohannis-macron-sign-political-statement-on-strategic-partnership/78570>

¹²⁹⁵ The European Union's partnership with the G5 Sahel countries, European Commission (Brussels) 6 December 2018. Access Date: 9 December 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_MEMO-18-6670_en.htm

¹²⁹⁶ EU, France announce \$1.5bn in aid for African Sahel, Aljazeera (Qatar) 6 December 2018. Access Date: 9 December 2018. <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/12/eu-france-announce-15bn-aid-african-sahel-181206120109665.html>

¹²⁹⁷ Proparco Invests in the Development of Start-Ups in North Africa, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 9 December 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-Sawari>

¹²⁹⁸ USD 30 Million Granted to dfcu Bank to Support SMEs in Uganda, Groupe l'agence française de développement (Paris) 12 December 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/usd-30-million-granted-dfcu-bank-support-smes-uganda>

Germany: +1

Germany has partially complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 10 June 2018, Germany contributed to a Canadian-led CAD3.8 billion investment alongside Canada, the European Union, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank to “support quality education for women and girls living in crisis, conflict-affected and fragile states.”¹²⁹⁹

On 16 September 2018, Germany announced that it will provide EUR1.1 million for the implementation of the Support to Community Stabilisation and Resilience project in Ukhia and Teknaf upazilas of Cox’s Bazar. The project will be a joint effort between the United Nations Development Programme and the UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women. This project will establish community security and gender-responsive policing in a district under pressure from the Rohingya crisis.¹³⁰⁰

On 3 October 2018, German development finance institution DEG and French development finance institution Proparco signed a USD150 million credit facility to the Mauritius Commercial Bank Limited. This action will finance long-term corporate and infrastructure projects in Mauritius and sub-Saharan Africa.¹³⁰¹

On 12 October 2018, the World Bank, Germany, and the United Kingdom announced a USD145 million Global Risk Financing Facility, which will “help government access risk financing and insurance solutions to mobilize effective response and prepare better for climate and disaster shocks.”¹³⁰²

On 16 October 2018, the German Development Bank KfW launched the Clean Oceans Initiative, supported by the German Government, the European Investment Bank and the French Development Bank.¹³⁰³ The EUR 2 billion initiative will reduce marine pollution by providing support and financial structures to waste management projects and market development for recycling plastics. Its operations will focus on areas in developing regions in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.¹³⁰⁴

¹²⁹⁹ Prime Minister concludes successful G7 Summit focused on creating economic growth that benefits everyone, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 10 June 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/prime-minister-concludes-successful-g7-summit-focused-on-creating-economic-growth-that-benefits-everyone-685080361.html>

¹³⁰⁰ Germany to support UNDP and UN Women efforts for community stabilization and resilience in Cox’s Bazar, United Nations Development Programme Bangladesh (Dhaka) 16 September 2018. Access Date: 12 October 2018. http://www.bd.undp.org/content/bangladesh/en/home/presscenter/pressreleases/2018/09/16/Germany_UNDP_signs_community_stabilization_resilience_Cox_deal.html

¹³⁰¹ Proparco and DEG sign a US\$150 Million Loan to the Mauritius Commercial Bank Limited to Support Corporate and Infrastructure Projects in Africa, Groupe l’agence française de développement (Paris) 3 October 2018. Access Date: 28 December 2018. <https://www.proparco.fr/en/proparco-and-deg-sign-us150-million-loan-mauritius-commercial-bank-limited-support-corporate-and>

¹³⁰² World Bank Group, Germany and UK Launch \$145 Million Financing Facility to Support Earlier Action on Climate and Disaster Shocks, The World Bank (Washington/Bali) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 14 October 2018. <https://www.worldbank.org/en/news/press-release/2018/10/12/world-bank-group-germany-and-uk-launch-145-million-financing-facility-to-support-earlier-action-on-climate-and-disaster-shocks>

¹³⁰³ The world’s major climate financiers launch two billion Euro initiative, Germany Information Centre (Berlin) 16 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://germanyinafrica.diplo.de/zadz-en/-/2148850>

¹³⁰⁴ The world’s major climate financiers launch two billion Euro initiative, Germany Information Centre (Berlin) 16 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://germanyinafrica.diplo.de/zadz-en/-/2148850>

On 29 November 2018, the Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) launched an initiative for sustainable cobalt mining in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, in cooperation with several private firms.¹³⁰⁵ This project aims to improve working conditions for employees of local mining sites and foster sustainable supply chains.¹³⁰⁶

Germany has fostered new international development partnerships with particular attention to inclusive growth, and it has fostered the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development.

Thus, Germany receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Jawad Ramal

Italy: 0

Italy has partially complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 25 June 2018, the Ambassador to Ethiopia Arthoro Luzzi and Ethiopian Minister of Finance and Economic Cooperation Admasu Nebebe signed a EUR 30 million loan agreement. The loan will support the implementation of the Inclusive and Sustainable Development of Agricultural Value Chain project.¹³⁰⁷ This capital will also be used to advance inclusive and sustainable agricultural value chains of industrial tomato and wheat production in Oromia, as well as avocado and pineapple in the Southern Nation, Nationalities, and Peoples Region. Next year, Italy will provide an additional EUR 22 million in loans to finance the development of industrial parks in these two regions.¹³⁰⁸

From 20 August 2018 to 7 September 2018, an Italian Carabinieri delegation organized two training courses for the Uganda Police Force in Masindi, Uganda.¹³⁰⁹ These courses provided instruction on counter-terrorism and environmental crime, including anti-poaching and international trafficking.¹³¹⁰

On 28 September 2018, Minister of Foreign Affairs Enzo Moavero Milanesi met with the Foreign Minister of Ethiopia Workneh Gebeyehu and the Foreign Minister of Eritrea Osman Saleh. Minister Milanesi affirmed Italy's active support of the 16 September 2017 peace agreement between Ethiopia

¹³⁰⁵ BMW Group, BASF SE, Samsung SDI and Samsung Electronics launch cross-industry project to enhance sustainable cobalt mining, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH (Berlin) 29 November 2018. Access Date: 2 December 2018. <https://www.giz.de/en/press/72347.html>

¹³⁰⁶ BMW Group, BASF SE, Samsung SDI and Samsung Electronics launch cross-industry project to enhance sustainable cobalt mining, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH (Berlin) 29 November 2018. Access Date: 2 December 2018. <https://www.giz.de/en/press/72347.html>

¹³⁰⁷ Ethiopia, Italy sign €30 million loan agreement, Africanews (Pointe-Noire) 23 June 2018. Access Date: 15 October 2018. <http://www.africanews.com/2018/06/23/ethiopia-italy-sign-30-million-loan-agreement/>

¹³⁰⁸ Ethiopia, Italy sign €30 million loan agreement, Africanews (Pointe-Noire) 23 June 2018. Access Date: 15 October 2018. <http://www.africanews.com/2018/06/23/ethiopia-italy-sign-30-million-loan-agreement/>

¹³⁰⁹ Cooperation of the Italian Carabinieri with Uganda Police Force, Farnesina (Rome) 7 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. https://ambkampala.esteri.it/ambasciata_kampala/en/ambasciata/news/dall_ambasciata/2018/09/cooperazione-dell-arma-dei-carabinieri.html

¹³¹⁰ Cooperation of the Italian Carabinieri with Uganda Police Force, Farnesina (Rome) 7 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. https://ambkampala.esteri.it/ambasciata_kampala/en/ambasciata/news/dall_ambasciata/2018/09/cooperazione-dell-arma-dei-carabinieri.html

and Eritrea.¹³¹¹ He also announced Italy's interest in supporting cooperation and stimulating economic growth, sustainable development, and human capital through educational and vocational training programs.¹³¹² On 11 October 2018, Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte visited Ethiopia to reaffirm Italian support for the peace process.¹³¹³ This assurance was reiterated by Prime Minister Conte to Eritrea on 12 October 2018.¹³¹⁴

On 25 October 2018, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation signed a Letter of Intent with the African Union Commission and RES4Africa to reinforce their partnership in implementing the "Renewable Energy Capacity Building Programme: A Proposal for Africa."¹³¹⁵ The partnership aims to facilitate the implementation of renewable energy in Africa through investment in infrastructure, integration with development objectives, and regional training and knowledge-building.¹³¹⁶

Italy has continued its active involvement and fostered new international development partnerships, but it has not increased its capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable development.

Thus, Italy receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Jawad Ramal

Japan: +1

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 10 June 2018, Japan contributed to a Canadian-led CAD3.8 billion investment alongside Canada, the European Union, Germany, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank to "support quality education for women and girls living in crisis, conflict-affected and fragile states."¹³¹⁷

On 20 June 2018, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) signed a memorandum of cooperation with the Pratham Education Foundation and the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab

¹³¹¹ Minister Moavero meets with the Foreign Ministers of Ethiopia and Eritrea, Farnesina (Rome) 28 September 2018. Access Date: 16 October 2018. https://www.esteri.it/mae/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/incontro-del-ministro-moavero-con-i-ministri-degli-esteri-di-etioopia-e-eritrea.html

¹³¹² Minister Moavero meets with the Foreign Ministers of Ethiopia and Eritrea, Farnesina (Rome) 28 September 2018. Access Date: 16 October 2018. https://www.esteri.it/mae/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/incontro-del-ministro-moavero-con-i-ministri-degli-esteri-di-etioopia-e-eritrea.html

¹³¹³ Ethiopia: Migration On Agenda As Italy PM Visits Ethiopia, Eritrea, AllAfrica (Cape Town) 11 October 2018. Access Date: 15 October 2018. <https://allafrica.com/stories/201810120387.html>

¹³¹⁴ Italy's PM Visits Eritrea to Pursue 'Rapport' With Leader, The New York Times (New York) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 15 October 2018. <https://www.nytimes.com/aponline/2018/10/12/world/africa/ap-af-eritrea-italy.html>

¹³¹⁵ Africa Union Commission, Italy and RES4Africa sign Letter of Intent on Energy Cooperation, African Union (Addis Adaba) 31 October 201. Access Date: 1 December 2018. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20181031/african-union-commission-italy-and-res4africa-sign-letter-intent-energy>

¹³¹⁶ Africa Union Commission, Italy and RES4Africa sign Letter of Intent on Energy Cooperation, African Union (Addis Adaba) 31 October 201. Access Date: 1 December 2018. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20181031/african-union-commission-italy-and-res4africa-sign-letter-intent-energy>

¹³¹⁷ Prime Minister concludes successful G7 Summit focused on creating economic growth that benefits everyone, Prime Minister's Office (Ottawa) 10 June 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/prime-minister-concludes-successful-g7-summit-focused-on-creating-economic-growth-that-benefits-everyone-685080361.html>

(J-PAL). JICA, Pratham and J-PAL will work coordinately to “improve literacy and numeracy abilities among children in developing countries.”¹³¹⁸

On 12 July 2018, the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) signed loan agreements with the Government of Turkmenistan on buyer’s credit (export loan) totalling up to approximately JPY 7.8 billion and USD 91 million (JBIC portion), respectively. Co-financed with Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation and ING Bank N.V., Tokyo Branch, these loans reached a total of “approximately JPY 13.1 billion and USD 152 million, with Nippon Export and Investment Insurance (NEXI) providing insurance for the portion co-financed by the two private-sector banks.”¹³¹⁹

On 27 July 2018, JBIC signed a loan agreement amounting to approximately USD 467 million (JBIC portion) to finance long-term floating production storage and offloading (FPSO) vessel chartering services of Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. (Petrobras), a state-owned oil company in Brazil. The loan is co-financed with several private companies, and the total co-financing amount reached approximately USD 995 million. “This loan will lead to the strengthening of the international competitiveness of Japanese companies in offshore resource development by helping them acquire and improve technologies, management practices, and know-how regarding the operation of FPSO systems.”¹³²⁰

On 30 July 2018, at the Indo-Pacific Business Forum, leaders from JBIC, the American’s Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), and the Australian government announced a trilateral partnership to invest in infrastructure projects in the Indo-Pacific region. JBIC committed to mobilizing investment in infrastructure, and “attract more private capital to achieve greater results” through this partnership.¹³²¹

On 27 September 2018, JICA signed a “memorandum of cooperation with OPIC, agreeing to promote mutual co-financing of the private sector in developing countries.” Given that OPIC has been a development finance institution with extensive operations, JICA sought to expand financial support for the private sector in project formation in developing countries.¹³²²

On 6-7 October 2018, the Government of Japan, the United Nations, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank and the African Union Commission co-organized the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) Ministerial Meeting.¹³²³ Throughout the meeting, Minister for Foreign Affairs Taro Kono emphasized the importance of “strong partnership between governments, private sector, financial institutions, civil society

¹³¹⁸ Bringing Learning to the Children of the World: Memorandum of cooperation signed with an Indian non-governmental organization and a research center based at MIT, Japan International Cooperation Agency (Tokyo) 21 June 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. https://www.jica.go.jp/english/low/news/press/2018/180621_02.html

¹³¹⁹ Buyer’s Credit for Government of Turkmenistan Supporting Export of Gas-Fired Power Plant Facility to Turkmen State Power Corporation by Japanese Companies, Japan Bank For International Cooperation (Tokyo) 13 July 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/press/press-2018/0713-011158.html>

¹³²⁰ Project Financing for FPSO Operation Project of the Mero Oil Field in the Libra Block, Brazil, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (Tokyo) 30 July 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/press/press-2018/0730-011246.html>

¹³²¹ US-JAPAN-AUSTRALIA ANNOUNCE TRILATERAL PARTNERSHIP FOR INDO-PACIFIC INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT, OPIC (Washington) 30 July 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://www.opic.gov/press-releases/2018/us-japan-australia-announce-trilateral-partnership-indo-pacific-infrastructure-investment>

¹³²² Signing of Memorandum of Cooperation with OPIC: Promoting Japan-US bilateral DFI cofinancing for the private sector, Japan International Cooperation Agency (Tokyo) 27 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.jica.go.jp/english/news/press/2018/180927_01.html

¹³²³ Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) Ministerial Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 2 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/press4e_002180.html

organizations [civil society organizations], and development partners,” and reaffirmed Japan’s determination to continue promoting sustainable development in Africa through TICAD.¹³²⁴

On 16 October 2018, JICA launched a new program titled the Development Studies Program with the goal of sharing Japan’s experience in modernization with young leaders from developing countries. This program aims to host 2,000 participants, primarily through master’s degree programs in the next five years, in order to “encourage them to apply their knowledge to the development of their own countries.”¹³²⁵

On 18 October 2018, JBIC signed a loan agreement with Indonesian companies PT Jawa Satu Power and PT Jawa Satu Regas for the Jawa 1 Gas-to-Power Project in Indonesia. The loan is co-financed by Mizuho Bank, Ltd., MUFG Bank, Ltd. and other banks. The co-financed amount totals USD1.312 billion. This agreement is a part of the JBIC’s newly launched Global Facility to Promote Quality Infrastructure Investment for Environmental Preservation and Sustainable Growth.¹³²⁶

On 9 November 2018, JICA signed a grant agreement with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in Bangkok to provide aid totalling JPY1.095 billion for the Project for Enhancing Rural Livelihoods through Improved Irrigation Facilities in Bamyan, Kabul, and the Kapisa provinces. This project aims to improve agricultural productivity and access to agricultural water by rehabilitating and expanding irrigation facilities.¹³²⁷

On 28 November 2018, JBIC signed a loan agreement with British corporation Moray Offshore Windfarm (East) Limited, providing a total of GBP743 million for the Moray East offshore wind power generation project in the United Kingdom. This financial support is part of JBIC’s policy towards promoting quality infrastructure investment for environmental preservation and sustainable growth.¹³²⁸

On 29 November 2018, JBIC signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Corporación Andina de Fomento, a regional development finance institution consisting of 19 shareholder countries primarily from Latin America and the Caribbean. The MOU aimed to promote the development of natural resources and infrastructure in Argentina, and it was signed during Prime Minister Shinzo Abe’s participation in the G20 summit in Buenos Aires, Argentina.¹³²⁹

On 29 November 2018, JBIC signed a general agreement with the Banco de la Nación Argentina, the largest commercial bank in Argentina, to finance the provision of an export credit line totalling USD36 million (JBIC portion). Private sector financial institutions will co-finance the loan through

¹³²⁴ Remarks by H.E. Taro KONO, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, at the Closing Session of the TICAD Ministerial Meeting, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 7 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.mofa.go.jp/af/af1/page4e_000922.html

¹³²⁵ 'Japan's Modernization Experience as a Legacy for the World' Part 1: 'JICA Development Studies Program' Launched, Japan International Cooperation Agency (Tokyo) 16 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.jica.go.jp/english/news/field/2018/181016_01.html

¹³²⁶ Project Financing for Jawa 1 Gas-to-Power Project in Indonesia, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (Tokyo) 22 October 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/press/press-2018/1022-011485.html>

¹³²⁷ Signing of Grant Agreement with FAO for Afghanistan: Contributing to improvements in agricultural productivity by constructing and rehabilitating irrigation infrastructure, Japan International Cooperation Agency (Tokyo) 12 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. https://www.jica.go.jp/english/low/news/press/2018/181112_01.html

¹³²⁸ Project Financing for Moray East Offshore Wind Power Generation Project in the U.K., Japan Bank for International Cooperation (Tokyo) 29 November 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/press/press-2018/1129-011637.html>

¹³²⁹ JBIC Signs MOU on Business Cooperation with CAF, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (Tokyo) 3 December 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/press/press-2018/1203-011647.html>

Nippon Export and Investment Insurance, and the total co-financing amount will reach USD60 million.¹³³⁰

On 4 December 2018, JICA signed a grant agreement with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to provide aid totalling JPY 1.009 billion for the Project for Infectious Diseases Prevention for Children. This project aims to provide "vaccines needed for routine immunization against various infectious diseases and for polio vaccination campaigns planned in Afghanistan in 2019."¹³³¹

Japan has fostered new international development partnerships and the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

Thus, Japan receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Minghan Sun

United Kingdom: +1

The United Kingdom has fully complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 10 June 2018, the UK contributed to a Canadian-led CAD3.8 billion investment alongside Canada, the European Union, Japan, Germany, and the World Bank to "support quality education for women and girls living in crisis, conflict-affected and fragile states."¹³³²

On 17 July 2018, the Department for International Development (DFID) awarded Welsh charity Bees for Development with GBP 50,000 through the Small Charities Challenge Fund, which supports and celebrates the work of small UK-based charities in some of the world's poorest countries. Bees for Development will use this fund to train and initiate new businesses for beekeepers in the Amhara region of Ethiopia, offering young people without access to land a viable income-earning opportunity at very low start-up costs.¹³³³

On 30 July 2018, the Minister for International Development, Alistair Burt, announced a fund of GBP 2.7 million to Mercy Corps, an Edinburgh charity, to support life-saving work in Yemen. This fund aims to help Yemenis gain access to food, water, medicine, and other essential needs.¹³³⁴

On 28 August 2018, Minister for Africa at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Department for International Development Harriet Baldwin announced in Ghana that the UK's GBP20 million Jobs and Economic Transformation Programme will help create over 15,000 jobs for

¹³³⁰ Export Credit Line for Banco de la Nación Argentina, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (Tokyo) 3 December 2018. Access Date: 5 December 2018. <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/press/press-2018/1203-011643.html>

¹³³¹ Signing of Grant Agreement with UNICEF for Afghanistan: Contributing to stronger infectious diseases prevention through a partnership with UNICEF, Japan International Cooperation Agency (Tokyo) 4 December 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. https://www.jica.go.jp/english/low/news/press/2018/181204_02.html

¹³³² Prime Minister concludes successful G7 Summit focused on creating economic growth that benefits everyone, Prime Minister's Office (Ottawa) 10 June 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/prime-minister-concludes-successful-g7-summit-focused-on-creating-economic-growth-that-benefits-everyone-685080361.html>

¹³³³ UK aid helps Welsh charity to train Ethiopian beekeepers, United Kingdom Government (London) 27 July 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-helps-welsh-charity-to-train-ethiopian-beekeepers>

¹³³⁴ Funding boost for Scottish charity working in Yemen, United Kingdom Government (London) 30 July 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/funding-boost-for-scottish-charity-working-in-yemen>

Ghanaians. JET is expected to facilitate over GBP 50 million of additional private sector investment.¹³³⁵

On 28 August 2018, Prime Minister Theresa May announced in Cape Town an additional GBP 4 billion of direct UK government investment, which is expected to be matched by the private sector.¹³³⁶

On 29 August 2018, Minister Baldwin announced a new aid program through the Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund to support the growth of innovative solar technology companies that are providing clean energy to off-grid households in Africa.¹³³⁷

On 29 August 2018, Prime Minister May announced in Lagos that the new “LINKS” program of GBP 70 million will support the growth of innovative companies in Nigeria’s northern states, and attract investment and create 100,000 new jobs.¹³³⁸

On 30 August 2018, Prime Minister May announced a new aid program through DFID. The new program will support family planning services and vocational skills training across Africa. The aid program includes support for girls who have dropped out of school due to early marriage or gender-based violence and supports their efforts to regain education and access safe contraception.¹³³⁹

On 22 September 2018, the International Development Secretary Priti Patel announced at the United Nations General Assembly that the Work and Opportunities for Women program, a new partnership between the government and private sector, will help the world’s poorest and most marginalized women gain access to better job opportunities and improved working conditions.¹³⁴⁰

On 25 September 2018, Prime Minister May joined the United Nations General Assembly in New York to convene investors, businesses and young African business leaders. May called on attendees to invest in Africa for job creation and to unlock the potential of the private sector.¹³⁴¹

On 12 October 2018, the World Bank, Germany, and the United Kingdom announced a USD145 million Global Risk Financing Facility (GRiF). GRiF will “help government access risk financing and

¹³³⁵ UK Minister for Africa visits Ghana to show support for Ghana’s vision to move beyond aid. United Kingdom (London) 29 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-minister-for-africa-visits-ghana-to-show-support-for-ghanas-vision-to-move-beyond-aid>

¹³³⁶ Theresa May pledges Africa investment boost after Brexit, BBC (Cape Town) 28 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-politics-45325701>

¹³³⁷ British expertise boosts innovative solar technologies across Africa, United Kingdom Government (London) 29 August 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/british-expertise-boosts-innovative-solar-technologies-across-africa>

¹³³⁸ UK boosts innovative business in Nigeria’s poorest states to improve incomes for 3 million people. United Kingdom Government (London) 29 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-boosts-innovative-business-in-nigerias-poorest-states-to-improve-incomes-for-3-million-people>

¹³³⁹ UK announces major investments in future of African youth through education and voluntary family planning United Kingdom Government (London) 30 August 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-announces-major-investments-in-future-of-african-youth-through-education-and-voluntary-family-planning>

¹³⁴⁰ UK and private sector to help the world’s poorest women into better jobs. United Kingdom Government (London) 22 September 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-and-private-sector-to-help-the-worlds-poorest-women-into-better-jobs>

¹³⁴¹ Prime Minister takes message on investment in Africa to the UN. United Kingdom Government (London) 25 September 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/prime-minister-takes-message-on-investment-in-africa-to-the-un>

insurance solutions to mobilize effective response and prepare better for climate and disaster shocks.”¹³⁴²

On 9 November 2018, Minister of State for Trade and Export Promotion Baroness Fairhead announced EUR 450 million in UK Export Finance (UKEF) funding for British firms. This fund will support the construction of three new hospitals and upgrade two power stations, in order to improve the healthcare and power provision in Angola. EUR380 million of the funding will support a contract between Angola’s Ministry of Health and the construction firm ASGC UK. UKEF also provided a EUR70 million loan to the Angolan Ministry of Finance for the project contract with IQA Group, which will update the two aforementioned power stations.¹³⁴³

The United Kingdom has fostered new international development partnerships, and capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

Thus, the United Kingdom receive a score of +1.

Analyst: Jamie Huiyi Chen

United States: +1

The United States has fully complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 19 June 2018, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) signed a formal partnership with Malteser International. This new partnership will seek to provide medical assistance and resources to countries in the Americas, the Middle East, and Africa affected by conflict or natural disasters. The US will work to familiarize itself with these communities through regional-level activities to reinforce the capacity of the medical sector.¹³⁴⁴

On 27 June 2018, Power Africa, a U.S. government-led partnership coordinated by USAID, announced its new Gas Roadmap to 2030 strategy. This roadmap outlines a plan to implement 16,000 megawatts of gas-fired power generation in nine countries in Sub-Saharan Africa by 2030. The plan expects and estimates the investments of U.S. private companies to amount to USD 175 billion, which will serve to help fund the initiative.¹³⁴⁵

On 6 July 2018, the Department of Commerce, in partnership with the President’s Advisory Council on Doing Business in Africa, released a memorandum announcing over USD 1 billion in private

¹³⁴² World Bank Group, Germany and UK Launch \$145 Million Financing Facility to Support Earlier Action on Climate and Disaster Shocks, The World Bank (Washington/Bali) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 14 October 2018. <https://www.worldbank.org/en/news/press-release/2018/10/12/world-bank-group-germany-and-uk-launch-145-million-financing-facility-to-support-earlier-action-on-climate-and-disaster-shocks>

¹³⁴³ UKEF supports Angolan healthcare and power infrastructure development. United Kingdom Government (London) 9 November 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukef-supports-angolan-healthcare-and-power-infrastructure-development>

¹³⁴⁴ U.S. Agency for International Development Administrator Mark Green’s Remarks During a Signing Ceremony for a Memorandum of Understanding with Malteser International Americas, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 19 June 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jun-19-2018-usaid-administrator-mark-green-remarks-signing-ceremony-mou-malteser-international-americas?fbclid=IwAR0_omJZxDkt6V-vp1zxyZQIQ9bypPb-Qg0hHda938Rc5FZhCTQFIMF4bZA

¹³⁴⁵ Power Africa Announces Gas Roadmap to 2030 at World Gas Conference, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 27 June 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jun-27-2018-power-africa-announces-gas-roadmap-2030-world-gas-conference?fbclid=IwAR2-GDml-0HpOFbXPGx_ijEfG0mulcYymb_aSs61xBPSJrGN8WzbPynGUE

sector deals with Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, and Cote D'Ivoire. These cooperation agreements seek to ensure aid-based economies transform into trade-based economies that are capable of long-term and sustainable growth. The U.S. will mobilize its private sector by establishing forums to address and resolve business climate issues and provide these companies with the information necessary to ensure long-term investment and further sustainable economic growth.¹³⁴⁶

On 10 July 2018, Power Africa signed a formal partnership with the Babcock & Wilcox Company (B&W). This new partnership joins over 70 US-based private sector partners and pledges to develop 4,560 megawatts of coal, solar, and biomass power across sub-Saharan Africa through mutually beneficial and sustainable energy-development to continue the Gas Roadmap to 2030 strategy.¹³⁴⁷

On 17 July 2018, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development (BUILD) Act of 2018.¹³⁴⁸ This bill combines the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and other development finance programs to establish the new United States International Development Finance Corporation (USDFC), an institution that will seek to better develop U.S. economic capabilities and ensure growth in emerging markets. The USDFC will work with private sector capital and skills to further the long-term development of low-income international economies.¹³⁴⁹ The BUILD Act of 2018 was passed by the Senate on 3 October 2018.¹³⁵⁰

On 26 July 2018, USAID announced the 2018 Progress Snapshot for Feed the Future, a global strategy working with 48 Feed the Future partner countries to reduce world hunger. USAID will partner with OPIC and 60 US-based companies, in an effort to encourage private sector investment in the agriculture sector of the strategy's target regions to reduce food shortage. The strategy makes clear that investments can be provided in the form of monetary support, technological resources, or information-sharing.¹³⁵¹

On 14 September 2018, USAID released the US Government Strategy on International Basic Education for Fiscal Years 2019-2023. This strategy involves partnerships with 98 countries facing challenges to the growth of their education sector and seeks to share US government data, research, practices, and technical expertise with partner governments. The strategy also outlines a framework

¹³⁴⁶ U.S. Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross, President's Advisory Council on Doing Business in Africa, Announce \$1 Billion in Deals during Africa Mission, Department of Commerce (Washington) 20 July 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. <https://www.commerce.gov/news/press-releases/2018/07/us-secretary-commerce-wilbur-ross-presidents-advisory-council-doing>

¹³⁴⁷ Power Africa Signs New Partner on Midwest Tour, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 13 July 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jul-13-2018-power-africa-signs-new-partner-midwest-tour>

¹³⁴⁸ H.R.5105 — BUILD Act of 2018, Congress (Washington) 17 July 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/5105>

¹³⁴⁹ Statement from the Press Secretary on H.R. 5105/S. 2463, the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development (BUILD) Act of 2018, The White House (Washington) 17 July 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/statement-press-secretary-h-r-5105-s-2463-better-utilization-investments-leading-development-build-act-2018/>

¹³⁵⁰ President and CEO Washburne Statement as BUILD Act Heads to President's Desk, Overseas Private Investment Corporation (Washington) 3 October 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. <https://www.opic.gov/press-releases/2018/opic-president-and-ceo-washburne-statement-build-act-heads-presidents-desk>

¹³⁵¹ Statement by U.S. Agency for International Development Spokesperson Clayton M. McCleskey on the Launch of the 2018 Feed the Future Progress Snapshot, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 26 July 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jul-26-2018-usaid-statement-launch-2018-feed-the-future-progress-snapshot?fbclid=IwAR2IjVPvd3S2ea9A_r_llywqbvq5uyXqMhbKQgKfRAM8HWEle8wGvTbm_Co

to involve public-private partnerships by engaging the private sector, promising to mobilize future private sector capital.¹³⁵²

On 9 October 2018, USAID announced three new partnerships, respectively with Ethical Apparel Africa in the Republic of Ghana, with Junior Achievement Worldwide for activities in the Republic of Ecuador and the Dominican Republic, and with the Conservation Council of Nations. These partnerships will mobilize skilled volunteers to provide long-term and short-term support in the areas of female entrepreneurship and economic training.¹³⁵³

On 11 October 2018, President Donald Trump signed the Global Food Security Reauthorization Act into law, committing government agencies to further the Feed the Future world hunger strategy by providing resources needed to support smallholder farmers and economies suffering from food shortage.¹³⁵⁴

On 11 October 2018, USAID signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Knights of Columbus to foster new partnerships in communities in the Middle East recovering from genocide. USAID will work to continue expanding its partner base, and this MOU outlines measures to seek additional private sector partners to advance recovery initiatives within these regions. This initiative pays particular attention to those who suffered persecution under the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. This partnership also seeks to advance pluralism within these identified populations.¹³⁵⁵

On 14 November 2018, USAID launched the Sustainable Trade Initiative (IDH) Farmfit Fund in the Netherlands, in cooperation with Queen Maxima of the Netherlands, 600 CEOs, ministers, financiers, NGOs, and other experts. The IDH Farmfit fund collaborates with the private sector to co-create and co-invest in smallholder farmer value-chain financing.¹³⁵⁶

On 15 November 2018, USAID announced the 2018 USAID Education Policy, a global strategy to ensure that more youth, particularly girls, have the opportunity to gain an education. The policy pledges direct finances towards the strengthening of local institutional capacity and educational quality in target countries. USAID has made commitments to consider a number of investments in the private sector and will look towards Country Roadmaps to inform their dialogue with multiple private corporations in order to increase their financial capacity.¹³⁵⁷

¹³⁵² U.S. Government Education Strategy, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 14 September 2018. Access Date: 11 October 2018. <https://www.usaid.gov/education/usg-strategy>

¹³⁵³ USAID Announces Partnerships to Mobilize Volunteers to Advance Prosperity, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 9 October 2018. Access Date: 11 October 2018. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/oct-9-2018-usaid-announces-partnerships-mobilize-volunteers-advance-prosperity>

¹³⁵⁴ Statement by Administrator Mark Green on the Reauthorization of the Global Food Security Act, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/oct-12-2018-administrator-green-reauthorization-global-food-security-act?fbclid=IwAR3Ws85CCqmG7kdcWgg3DdPdapSKucl4EgBxkO63ecnUUydc1WfivUkHyE>

¹³⁵⁵ Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding Between USAID and Knights of Columbus, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 10 October 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/oct-12-2018-signing-memorandum-understanding-between-usaid-and-knights-columbus?fbclid=IwAR16YId6gpaWkF6SshN8SYPPAO5vDO2_dQlGQlHdQv_zlIFXfSka7Eg5dY

¹³⁵⁶ USAID Assistant to the Administrator Beth Dunford Travels to the Netherlands to Participate in the Launch of the IDH Farmfit Fund, United States Agency for International Development (Washington), 14 November 2018. Access Date: 24 November 2018. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/nov-14-2018-usaid-assistant-to-administrator-beth-dunford-travels-netherlands>

¹³⁵⁷ USAID Releases New Education Policy, United States Agency for International Development (Washington) 15 November 2018. Access Date: 3 December 2018. <https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/nov-15-2018-usaid-releases-new-education-policy>

On 18 November 2018, Vice President Mike Pence announced the launch of the Papua New Guinea Electrification Partnership between the U.S., Australia, Japan, and Papua New Guinea. This partnership aims to bring electricity to 70 percent of the people of Papua New Guinea by the year 2030.¹³⁵⁸ It involves large-scale investment by both public and private sectors, and the finances will contribute to new energy generation capacity, as well as transmission and distribution lines to connect households, service providers, and businesses to the grid.¹³⁵⁹

On 18 November 2018, in partnership with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Asian-Pacific Economic Cooperation, the White House announced the Indo-Pacific Transparency Initiative. The initiative is intended to help countries attract private sector growth and private investments. The US allocated USD400 million to this initiative, seeking to improve the security of regional institutions.¹³⁶⁰

The United States has taken efforts to foster new international development partnerships, and capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

Thus, the United States receives a score of +1.

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European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to foster new international development partnerships and foster the capacity to mobilize more private sector investments for sustainable international development, with particular attention to inclusive growth.

On 10 June 2018, the EU contributed to a Canadian-led CAD3.8 billion investment alongside Canada, the United Kingdom, Japan, Germany, and the World Bank to “support quality education for women and girls living in crisis, conflict-affected and fragile states.”¹³⁶¹

On 14 June 2018, the European Commission proposed to increase its external action budget to EUR 123 billion. The Commission’s proposal includes an investment framework for external action, first introduced in September 2017, which will “help raise and leverage additional financial resource for sustainable development from the private sector.”¹³⁶² It does so by integrating financial instruments

¹³⁵⁸ Remarks by Vice President Pence at Announcement of the Papua New Guinea Electrification Partnership, The White House (Washington) 18 November 2018. Access Date: 24 November 2018.

https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/remarks-vice-president-pence-announcement-papua-new-guinea-electrification-partnership/?fbclid=IwAR16DV4mNeLfg2a3e_NkYzwe_9O6VBUTuWqZm1wzPecExX0Hj1VZGNHto8U

¹³⁵⁹ The Papua New Guinea Electrification Partnership, United States Embassy in Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu (Port Moresby) 18 November 2018. Access Date: 24 November 2018. <https://pg.usembassy.gov/the-papua-new-guinea-electrification-partnership/>

¹³⁶⁰ President Trump’s Administration is Advancing a Free and Open Indo-Pacific Through Investments and Partnerships in Economics, Security, and Governance, The White House (Washington) 18 November 2018. Access Date: 5 December 2018. https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-trumps-administration-advancing-free-open-indo-pacific-investments-partnerships-economics-security-governance/?fbclid=IwAR3ys_79LAGb5vNTEKUhsi77ZLtBENxoMigIRSL50KJYolhiQI6EuCzAMYc

¹³⁶¹ Prime Minister concludes successful G7 Summit focused on creating economic growth that benefits everyone, Prime Minister’s Office (Ottawa) 10 June 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/prime-minister-concludes-successful-g7-summit-focused-on-creating-economic-growth-that-benefits-everyone-685080361.html>

¹³⁶² EU budget: Making the EU fit for its role as strong global actor, European Commission (Brussels) 14 June 2018. Access Date: 16 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-4086_en.htm

such as guarantees, risk-sharing instruments, and the blending of grants and loans into more traditional forms of assistance.¹³⁶³

On 19 June 2018, the EU extended the EU External Investment Plan to Morocco. This plan will help leverage significant private funds in key sectors of Morocco's economy, which will, in turn, encourage local entrepreneurship and job creation in the country.¹³⁶⁴

On 10 July 2018, the EU mobilized a package of financial guarantee programmes worth EUR 800 million under the External Investment Plan. This package is intended to help leverage EUR 8 to 9 billion in public and private investment in Africa and neighbouring European countries. The guarantee programmes enable affordable loans for small-scale entrepreneurship and access to new technologies, particularly for refugees and migrants. The financial package will also support much-needed investment in sustainable development and job creation, especially in Africa.¹³⁶⁵

On 23 August 2018, the EU announced a EUR 18 million package in support of sustainable economic and social development projects in the Islamic Republic of Iran, including EUR 8 million of assistance to the private sector. The assistance will include technical assistance and support for high-potential Iranian enterprises.¹³⁶⁶

On 12 September 2018, the EU created the Africa-Europe Alliance for Sustainable Investment and Jobs, a new plan to increase investment, strengthen trade, create jobs, and invest in education and skills in Africa. The plan will increase the de-risking of investment projects through blending grants and loans, investing in education and skills, and improving the business environment by strengthening dialogue between African partners. The initiative expects to generate more employment opportunities, skills development, access to electricity, and investment in infrastructure and business.¹³⁶⁷ The new platform will unite public, private and financial operators as well as academia from Africa and Europe to attract and promote sustainable energy in Africa.¹³⁶⁸

On 11 October 2018, the EU pledged to grant EUR 100 million to a new bio-economical investment platform known as Circular Bioeconomy Thematic Investment Platform. This grant aims to strengthen and promote the sustainable use of renewable resources to address global challenges such as climate change and sustainable development, while also implementing an EU-wide monitoring system to track progress towards a sustainable and circular bio-economy.¹³⁶⁹

¹³⁶³ EU-Morocco partnership: first investments in Morocco under the European External Investment Plan to increase business opportunities, enhancing job creation, private sector development and inclusive growth, European Commission (Brussels) 19 June 2018. Access Date: 16 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-4190_en.htm

¹³⁶⁴ EU-Morocco partnership: first investments in Morocco under the European External Investment Plan to increase business opportunities, enhancing job creation, private sector development and inclusive growth, European Commission (Brussels) 19 June 2018. Access Date: 16 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-4190_en.htm

¹³⁶⁵ The EU's External Investment Plan: first projects in Africa and the Neighbourhood, European Commission (Brussels) 11 July 2018. Access Date: 16 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-4385_en.htm

¹³⁶⁶ European Commission adopts support package for Iran, with a focus on the private sector, European Commission (Brussels) 23 August 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-5103_en.htm

¹³⁶⁷ State of the Union 2018: Towards a new 'Africa — Europe Alliance' to deepen economic relations and boost investment and jobs, European Commission (Brussels) 12 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-5702_en.htm

¹³⁶⁸ Africa-Europe Alliance: boosting sustainable energy investments in Africa, European Commission (Brussels) 8 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-6313_en.htm

¹³⁶⁹ A new bioeconomy strategy for a sustainable Europe, European Commission (Brussels) 11 October 2018. Access Date: October 19, 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-6067_en.htm

On 19 October 2018, the EU partnered with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to contribute EUR 54 million to strengthening diagnostic health services in Sub-Saharan Africa under the External Investment Plan. The majority of this fund will be used to leverage private investment aimed at promoting inclusive growth and creating jobs. The fund will also enable private investment in the health sector, where investments are much needed to meet the health needs of the population. The remaining fund will be used to incentivise research and innovation and invest in technical assistance.¹³⁷⁰

The EU has fostered new international development partnerships and the capacity to mobilize sector investments for sustainable development, with a special focus on inclusive growth.

Thus, the European Union receives a score of +1.

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¹³⁷⁰ EU and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation join forces to support health services in Africa, European Commission (Brussels) 18 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-6135_en.htm