

# Development flows to agriculture

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#### Highlights of 2017

- 18 billion USD were committed in 2017 globally as Development flow to Agriculture (DFA), accounting for 5.3
  percent of total Development flows. In the same period, donors disbursed 11 billion USD to agriculture, or 4.4
  percent of the total disbursed flows.
- Leading donors were the International Development Association (IDA) of the World Bank, United States of America, the European Union (EU) Institutions, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and Japan.
- Africa received 41 percent, while Asia & the Pacific received 37 percent.
- The top 5 recipient countries were India, China, Morocco, Ethiopia and Turkey.
- The Agriculture Orientation Index (AOI) in terms of disbursement was 0.54 in 2017, up by 0.05 from 0.49 in 2016. This level is still far from 1.00, indicating that agriculture received a portion of development flows that is smaller than its relative contribution to GDP.

#### **Global Trends**

In 2017, donors disbursed funds for 11 billion USD for development assistance to agriculture, or 4.4 percent of total ODA disbursements. Whilst the commitments to agriculture increased by 4 billion USD from 2016, the disbursements to agriculture increased only by 0.6 billion USD. The share of commitments and disbursements to agriculture increased from in 2016 by 4.8 percent to 5.3 percent and from 4.2 percent to 4.4 percent, respectively. [Chart 1].

(billion 2016 USD) Development Flows and Agriculture Share (%) 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 Commitment Total Disbursement Total —— Share of Commitment —— Share of Disbursement

Chart 1. Development Flows and Agriculture Share: 2002-2017

Source: FAOSTAT, based on OECD-CRS data.

### Regional shares in Development Flows to Agriculture (DFA)

Between 2002 and 2017, donors disbursed to Africa and the Asia & Pacific together more than 70 percent of the total DFA. Asia and Pacific received relatively more than Africa until 2010, but Africa saw a continuous increase of its portion, which reached 42 percent of total DFA in 2017. [Chart 2].

Share of Total Oceania Europe (percent) 100 90 80 Asia & Pacific 70 60 50 America 40 30 Africa 20 10 0 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017

Chart 2. Development Flows disbursed to Agriculture in regions: 2002-2017

Source: FAOSTAT, based on OECD-CRS data.

\*The unspecified includes aid flows to more than two regions and support to global activities, such as research and development

# Top 10 Recipients and Donors of DFA: 2002-2017

Asian countries such as India, China, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Vietnam ranked among the highest recipients between 2002 and 2017. Some Latin American countries, such as Colombia, Mexico, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), have also absorbed substantive shares in 2005 and 2010; but they were no longer among the most important recipients in 2015 and 2017. [Table 1].

Table 1. Top 10 Recipient Countries of Commitment to Agri	iculture (2005-2017)
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	2005	2010	2015	2017
1	India	India	Ethiopia	Indonesia
2	China, mainland	Afghanistan China, mainland Ind		India
3	Afghanistan	China, mainland	Viet Nam	China, mainland
4	Pakistan	Indonesia	India	Morocco
	United Republic of			
5	Tanzania	Turkey	Morocco	Pakistan
6	Egypt	Senegal	Pakistan	Ethiopia
7	Colombia	Egypt	Kazakhstan	Malawi

8	Indonesia	Morocco	Uganda	Kenya
9	Mexico	Kenya	Egypt	Uzbekistan
10	Mozambique	Mali	Afghanistan	Viet Nam

In the same period, IDA, USA, EU, IBDA, Japan and Germany were among the most important donors, while the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation ranked 8th in 2015 and 10th in 2017 [Table 2].

Table 2. Top 10 Donors (2005-2017)

	2005	2010	2015	2017
1	IDA	USA	USA	IDA
2	IBRD	IDA	IDA	USA
3	Japan	Japan	EU	EU
4	USA	IBRD	IBRD	IBRD
5	EU	IDB	Germany	Japan
6	Germany	EU	Japan	Germany
7	AfDF	Spain	UK	UK
			Bill & Melinda	
8	France	Canada	Gates Foundation	AsDB
9	UK	AfDF	AsDB	France
				Bill & Melinda
10	Netherlands	Germany	France	Gates Foundation

Source: FAOSTAT, based on OECD-CRS data.

AsDB: Asian Development Bank

IsDB: Islamic Development Bank

IBRD: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

EU: European Union (EU) Institutions

IFAD: International Fund for Agricultural Development

IDA: International Development Association

AfDF: African Development Fund

IDB: Inter-American Development Bank

## The Agriculture Orientation Index (AOI)

The AOI measures the share of flows to agriculture relative to the contribution of Agriculture to total GDP.

Globally, between 2002 and 2017, the share of development flows received by agriculture was lower compared to the contribution of the sector to GDP. The AOI, computed on disbursements of assistance to agriculture, increased from 0.49 in 2002 to 0.54 in 2017; but it presented significant reductions in 2006 and 2015, to 0.31 and 0.46, respectively. [Chart 3].

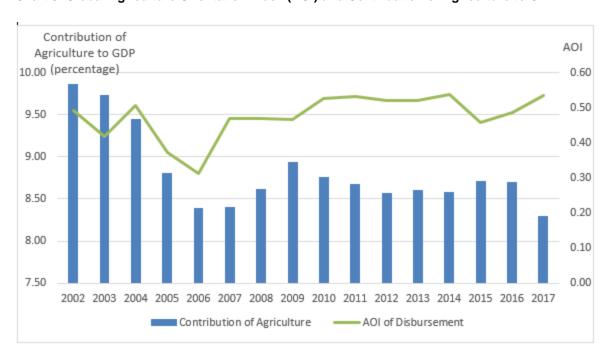


Chart 3. Global Agriculture Orientation Index (AOI) and Contribution of Agriculture to GDP

Source: FAOSTAT, based on OECD-CRS data.

## The 2013-2017 average Agriculture Orientation Index\* (AOI)

Only few countries reported an average 2013-17 AOI larger than 1, indicating that in most cases the share of assistance devoted to agriculture is smaller than the contribution of the sector to GDP. This is especially the case where the size of agricultural Value Added relative to GDP is large. There are seventeen countries showing an average AOI larger than 1 in the 2013-17 period: Antigua and Barbuda, Saint Lucia, Botswana, Seychelles, Montserrat, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Cuba, Palau, Zambia, Peru, Argentina, Eswatini,

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