



New International Development Policy

Submission Guidelines

DFAT welcomes submissions from interested individuals, government partners, multilateral and non-government organisations, research and academia, private sector representatives and other interested stakeholders to inform Australia's new International Development Policy.

Written submissions of up to 5 pages in length, addressing the Terms of Reference, are invited until 30 November 2022.

In developing submissions, stakeholders are asked to consider the immediate challenges and longer-term trends in our region, as well as risks and opportunities for Australia's international development engagement.

Stakeholders are invited to consider and comment on the following key questions:

- What key trends or challenges will shape Australia's engagement in our region and globally over the next five to 10 years? What risks and opportunities does this present for Australia's development assistance?
- What development capabilities will Australia need to respond to these challenges?
- How can Australia best utilise its national strengths to enhance the impact of our development program and address multidimensional vulnerabilities?
- How should the new policy reflect the Government's commitments to build stronger and more meaningful partnerships in our region, founded on mutual trust and respect and shared values of fairness and equality?
- What lessons from Australia's past development efforts should inform the policy? What is Australia seen to be doing comparatively well?
- How should the performance and delivery systems be designed to promote transparency and accountability, as well as effectiveness and learning in Australia's development assistance?
- How should the new policy address the role of ODA and non-ODA in supporting the development of our regional partners?

In your submission, you may wish to focus on specific thematic priorities, ways of working or geographic areas, noting the scope of the policy laid out in the [Terms of Reference](#).

DFAT is committed to listening to and respecting the priorities of our partners. Consultation will be critical to the development an effective policy.

Submissions and confidentiality

All submissions will be treated as public and may be published on this website unless the author specifically requests that the submission, or part thereof, be handled in-confidence. Unless otherwise requested, DFAT will publish the submission and the name of the submitting organisation or individual on its website.

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