

DAC GLOBAL RELATIONS

Becoming a Participant in the Development Assistance Committee

What is the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC)?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The leading international forum for providers of development co-operation. • Promotes sustainability through development co-operation and other related policies. • Currently has 29 members.
What does the DAC do?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collects, compiles and publishes data on development co-operation. • Reviews its members' development co-operation programmes periodically. • Provides analysis, guidance and good practice on development cooperation.
Who can become a DAC Participant?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countries that are not members of the OECD, wanting to contribute to discussions on key development issues and benefit from DAC members' experiences.
What are the rights of a Participant in the DAC?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can take part in all non-confidential meetings of the DAC, including its High-Level and Senior-Level Meetings and the meetings of its subsidiary bodies on development finance statistics, evaluation, gender equality, environment, governance, conflict and fragility, and investment. • Not entitled to take part in formal decision-making processes or to serve as Chair or Vice Chair of the DAC or its subsidiary bodies.
What are the advantages of becoming a Participant in the DAC?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share development experiences through policy dialogue and exchange. • Gain visibility and legitimacy for the country's development co-operation activities. • Confirm the country's commitment to promoting international development. • Learn from other countries' experience in managing development co-operation.
What are the criteria for becoming a DAC Participant?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no specific conditions for becoming a Participant in the DAC. • The partnership should serve the interests of both the country concerned and the DAC and should not impact on the efficient functioning of the Committee.
What are the obligations of a Participant in the DAC?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate actively in the DAC. • Pay an annual fee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ EUR 10 800 (in 2016) to participate in the DAC and its subsidiary bodies. ➢ EUR 3 600 (in 2016) to participate in a single subsidiary body, up to a maximum of EUR 10 800 (in 2016) for three or more subsidiary bodies.
How does a country become a Participant in the DAC?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An applicant country sends a brief letter to the Chair of the OECD Development Assistance Committee announcing its interest in becoming a DAC Participant. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The OECD Secretariat will then prepare a proposal for consideration by the DAC. ➢ If the Committee's decision is positive, the final approval will be given by the OECD Council, the OECD's governing body. ➢ The Secretary-General invites the country to become a DAC Participant. ➢ The country formalises the arrangement by accepting the invitation in writing.