

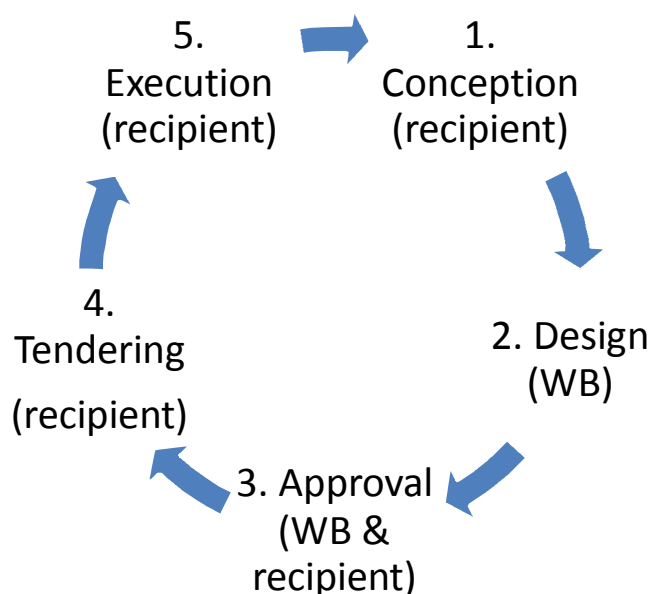
# World Bank Factsheet

## Who we are and what we do

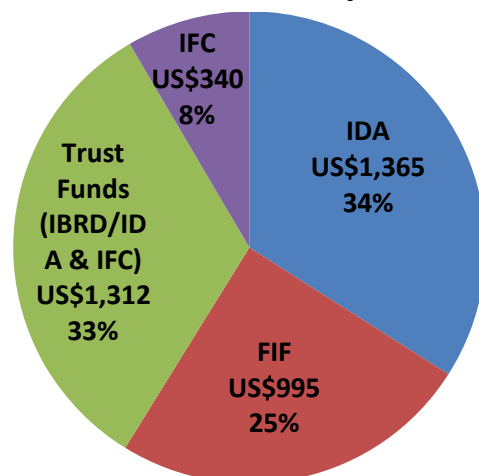
We are the World Bank Group & IDB Liaisons at Netherlands embassy in Washington D.C., working with the World Bank Group (IDA, IBRD, IFC, MIGA, ICSID) and Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

The primary goal of our work is to help Dutch organizations – companies, academic institutes, NGOs, individual consultants, and other organizations – get connected to the World Bank Group (WBG) and IDB. This can be for a specific project they would like to perform work for (consultancy, products, innovations), but it can also be to build up their network, and to share innovative new ideas and products in order to improve development outcomes.

### Stages of a typical WB project cycle



### Netherlands and World Bank Group Contributions FY 09-13 (amounts in million dollars)



**IDA** = International Development Association (grants and low-interest loans to low income countries)  
**FIF** = Financial Intermediary Fund (like Global Fund)  
**IBRD** = International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (loans to medium income countries)  
**IFC** = International Finance Corporation (private investments)

### A World Bank Project Cycle \*

The recipient country proposes an idea for a project or program and signals the need for funds. The recipient and WB (often the country office) then discuss and design the project. It is important to be well connected to the World Bank country offices as external consultants are often needed in the design phase of a project, along with technical expertise, knowledge, and innovations brought in from the WB office in Washington, DC.

Once the Board approves a project, the recipient receives the funds and has to prepare the implementation. The recipient then publishes the tenders, and selects the winner to execute the project.

To increase your chances of success with the World Bank it is important to not only reply to tender notices, but to also start a dialogue with the World Bank country office early on in the project cycle.

### Contact information

Any questions? Contact us!

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