Laos
Summary
This profile showcases different dimensions of performance and the distribution of development finance in Laos. The information below was compiled from two sources: AidData’s 2014 Reform Efforts Survey and 2004-2013 Core Database. The 2014 Reform Efforts Survey asked public, private, and civil society leaders in 126 low- and middle-income countries questions about the most pressing problems they face, their top policy priorities, and how aid agencies can partner with them most effectively. Respondents working in Laos evaluated the degree to which Laos’ development partners influenced the policy agenda (n=19), provided useful advice (n=8), and how helpful the development partners were in implementation (n=5). The 2004-2013 Core Database represents the most comprehensive dataset tracking international development finance.

Who are Laos’ top development partners?

Total financial contributions by donor type* (USD $5 billion total)

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<th>Donor Type</th>
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* When a donor type’s contributions are less than 0.1%, they are not represented in this figure.

Source: AidData’s 2004-2013 Core Database

How are development partners performing in different policy areas in Laos?

Influences the policy agenda (0-5)

Economic
Governance
Social & Environmental

Provides useful advice** (1-5)

Economic
Governance
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Helpful in implementation (0-5)

Economic
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** The usefulness of advice scale ranged from 1 to 5.

Source: AidData’s 2014 Reform Efforts Survey, Q14, Q21, Q25
Which development partners were rated most highly by survey participants in Laos? And how do they compare against the average of all development partners?

**Influences the policy agenda**
(total DPs evaluated = 15)
- China: 4
- Sweden: 3
- Asian Development Bank: 2

**Provides useful advice**
(total DPs evaluated = 11)
- World Bank: 4
- United Nations Development Program: 3
- United Nations: 2

**Helpful in implementation**
(total DPs evaluated = 1)
- Japan: 4

Source: AidData's 2014 Reform Efforts Survey, Q14, Q21, Q25

Which types of problems do development partners influence most?***

- Corruption: 3
- Infrastructure: 3
- Implementation: 3
- Service Delivery: 3
- Human Capital: 3

*** The graph displays the types of problems where development partners were most influential in influencing the policy agenda in Laos. Respondents identified a total of 16 types of problems.

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