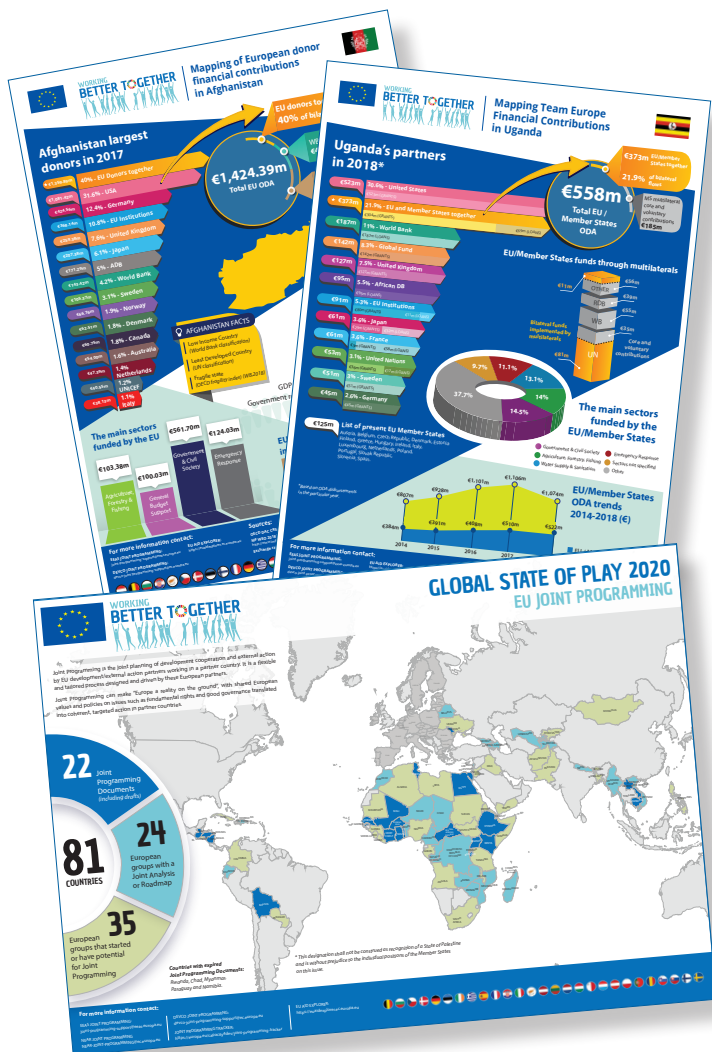




OUR APPROACH

The EU's Global Strategy and the new European Consensus on Development make a strong case for 'working better together' at partner country level through joint programming and joint implementation by the EU and its Member States.

The EU and its Member States, as **Team Europe**, 'working better together' are more and more using *joint programming* and *joint implementation* as their basis for external action approaches at partner country level, bearing in mind their comparative advantages. Europe acting as one, as **Team Europe**, is about working hand-in-hand with our partner countries and demonstrating the EU's support for multilateralism.



In practice, by defining common/joint objectives at country level through joint programming, opportunities for joint implementation can emerge as the European group reflects on how best to achieve these joint objectives and related results. A 'working better together' approach can also contribute to reducing fragmentation and expanding the visibility of European partners and their approaches, while it remains open to like-minded partners that share the values of the Union.

#TeamEurope

#JointImplementation

#WorkingBetterTogether

#JointProgramming



WHAT 'WORKING BETTER TOGETHER' OFFERS IN PRACTICE!

Joint implementation places our collective country assistance in a more strategic framework. The EU and Member States, by bringing together their respective knowledge and resources, can explore concrete ways to pool them efficiently at country level.

In times of increasing international competition and uncertainty over a rules-based, multilateral system, the EU and Member States need to work more coordinated and coherently to complement their traditional development cooperation with a wider set of policies that are relevant for our partner countries.

Thinking jointly about implementation

A response to a changing global context

Increasing European visibility and influence

A flexible and country-tailored process

Joint programming's flexibility makes it the ideal tool for bringing all European policy commitments (global, European and bilateral) together in a single framework at country level.

Policy coherence and effective communications can raise the visibility of the European presence, supporting our influence in policy dialogue.

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