



## Scoring of the Rio markers and the policy markers for Aid to Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction

### Compilation of guidance material

*The European Commission uses OECD DAC policy markers and Rio markers to keep track of development assistance to a number of policy areas, as well as to calculate financial contributions. Each marker receives a score between 0 and 2, depending on whether the policy area is 'not targeted' by the action, is a 'significant objective' or a 'principal objective'. Scoring of the markers is based on eligibility criteria defined by the OECD DAC. The Environment & Climate Change Mainstreaming Facility has also prepared guidance material useful to correctly score the policy markers for Aid to Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction, as well as the four Rio markers: Biological Diversity, Combating Desertification, Climate Change Mitigation and Climate Change Adaptation.*

1. [Tutorial video on Rio markers](#)
2. [OECD DAC Converged Statistical Reporting Directives for the Creditor Reporting System \(CRS\) and the Annual DAC Questionnaire. Annexes – modules D and E](#)

This document presents the criteria for the scoring of policy markers (Annex 18) and Rio markers (Annex 19). It is complemented by the document [Revision of the Reporting Directive: sections relating to the approved SDG focus field and changes to policy markers and type of aid](#), which defines the criteria for the scoring of the DRR marker.

3. **OECD DAC guidance on the use of Rio markers:**
  - [Rio Markers for Climate Handbook](#). This document presents the scoring system for the climate markers and includes an Indicative Table to guide Rio marking by sector/sub-sector.
  - [Indicative Table for the Rio marker for Biodiversity](#). This document provides a table with activities under different sectors that would typically qualify for a biodiversity Rio marker.
4. [Guidance note on the scoring of the DRR marker in the context of COVID-related actions.](#)

This note provides criteria for the correct use of the DRR marker for COVID-response actions in DG INTPA and DG NEAR.

5. [Quick Tips](#)

These documents present practical guidance for the “greening” of a number of sectors. Each of the Quick Tips documents is accompanied by a guidance on activities that typically qualify for a Rio marker in that specific sector. These tables draw largely from the OECD DAC guidance, but provide further elements, especially in relation to the marker on desertification.