

Partnership Instrument/NDICI – Foreign Policy Needs

Core indicators monitor the results achieved in a specific sector or area of FPI intervention. This list is neither fixed nor exhaustive, and is updated continuously as further feedback from intervention/action implementation is gathered.

Impact indicators

- Number of approaches and/or practices beneficial to the achievement of EU interests, values and standards which have been taken up in third countries¹
- Number of regulations and standards relating to trade, investment and business in partner countries which have been aligned to EU / international standards²
- Number of barriers to market access, investment and business development which have been removed³
- Number of EU regional, inter-regional, bi-lateral and multi-lateral cooperation partnership strategies (incl. strategies to address challenges of global concern) which have been developed, adopted or implemented⁴
- Number of articles on the EU in the partner country⁵
- Percentage of actions (programmes/projects) that score 'High' or 'Medium' on the gender sensitivity index ⁶
- Number of EU bilateral, regional, inter-regional and multi-lateral cooperation partnership strategies which have been enhanced⁷
- Number of approaches and/or practices related to challenges of global/mutual concern which have been influenced⁸
- Number of approaches and/or practices beneficial to the achievement of the EU2020 strategy which have been taken up in partner countries⁹

¹ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

² Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

³ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

 $^{^{\}rm 4}$ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

⁵ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

⁶ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

⁷ Only relevant for PI-funded Actions (Actions funded under 2014-20 MFF)

⁸ Only relevant for PI-funded Actions (Actions funded under 2014-20 MFF)

Outcome indicators

- Number of processes related to state-level and sub-state level (bilateral, regional, multi-lateral)
 partnership strategies and policy dialogues, which have been influenced¹⁰
- Number of processes related to non-state level partnerships / agreements, which have been influenced¹¹
- Number of processes related to partner country approaches to challenges of global concern, which have been influenced.¹²
- Number of processes related to partner country practices on challenges of global concern, which have been influenced ¹³
- Number of processes related to the positions partner countries take in the run-up or during, regional/international for a, which have been influenced¹⁴
- Number of processes related to partner country practices on trade, investment and business, which have been influenced¹⁵
- Number of processes related to the removal of barriers to market access, investment and business, which have been influenced¹⁶.
- Number of processes related to the negotiation, implementation or enforcement of EU trade and investment agreements with partner countries which have been influenced¹⁷
- Percentage of EU companies' which acknowledge a positive change in their perceptions of the business, trade and investment climate in partner countries¹⁸
- Number of processes related to partner country approaches contributing to the implementation of the international dimension of internal Union policies¹⁹
- Number of processes related to partner country practices contributing to the implementation of the international dimension of internal Union policies²⁰

⁹ Only relevant for PI-funded Actions (Actions funded under the 2014- 20 MFF)

¹⁰ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹¹ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹² Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹³ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹⁴ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹⁵ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹⁶ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹⁷ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹⁸ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

¹⁹ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

²⁰ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

- Number of processes related to partner country approaches beneficial to the achievement of the Europe 2020 strategy, which have been influenced.²¹
- Number of processes related to partner country practices beneficial to the achievement of Europe 2020 strategy, which have been influenced.²²
- Percentage of participants targeted by outreach and advocacy events who acknowledge a
 positive change in their perception of the EU and/or international policies and standard²³
- Percentage of participants targeted by outreach and advocacy events who acknowledge having engaged further on the topic on their own initiative as a result of their exposure to an event²⁴
- Number of articles published in print and/or digital media about an event²⁵
- Number of processes related to bilateral, regional or multilateral practices / approaches that include gender equality objectives which have been influenced²⁶

Output Indicators

- Number of events organised or supported
- Number of participants in the events organised or supported
- Percentage of participants in the events who report having benefited from the events organised/supported
- Number of EU companies that participated in the events organised/supported
- Percentage of EU companies which report having benefited from the events organised/supported
- Number of non-EU companies that participated in the events organised/supported
- Percentage of non-EU companies which report having benefited from the events organised/supported
- Number of knowledge-based products developed
- Number of outcome statements emanating from the events

²¹ Only relevant for PI-funded Actions (Actions funded under 2014-20 MFF)

²² Only relevant for PI-funded Actions (Actions funded under 2014-20 MFF)

²³ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

²⁴Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

²⁵Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

²⁶ Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)

The same information is provided below in tabular form and in more technical detail.

Output Indicators

Title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
OP1 Number of events	Number	By type of event ²⁷ :
organised or supported	Narrative description of the topics	a) Visits, exchanges, study tours
		b) Business missions
		c) Technical meetings (to discuss a specific technical subject)
		d) Group events (conferences, debates, workshops, seminars)
		e) Training
		f) Outreach and advocacy (including networking events, cultural collaboration activities)
OP2 Number of participants	Number	By gender
in the events organised/supported		By sector of participants
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		i. Academia and students
		ii. Government
		iii. Business/private sector
		iv. Media
		v. Civil society

_

²⁷ It is important to keep in mind the disaggregated information needed when doing the data collection. Implementing partners will select the most suitable category under which they will report: e.g. is the event organised a business mission or a technical meeting? Even when an event has multiple purposes (e.g. if it combines a technical meeting and a training on ICT standards), only one category can be selected to avoid double counting. The most suitable type is to be chosen, but there is no golden rule for this.

Title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
		vi. Other By type of event a) Visits, exchanges, study tours b) Business missions c) Technical meetings d) Group events e) Training f) Outreach and advocacy
OP3 Percentage of participants in the events who report having benefited from the events organised/supported	Percentage	By gender
OP4 Number of EU companies that participated in the events organised/supported	Number Narrative description of business focus of the participating companies	By type of event a) Business missions b) Group events c) Trainings
OP5 Percentage of EU companies which report having benefited from the events organised/supported	Percentage	By type of event a) Business missions b) Group events c) Trainings
OP6 Number of non-EU companies that participated in the events organised/supported	Number Narrative description of business focus of the participating companies	By type of event a) Business missions b) Group events c) Trainings
OP7 Percentage of non-EU companies which report having benefited from the	Percentage	By type of event a) Business missions

Title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
events organised/supported		b) Group events
		c) Trainings
OP8 Number of knowledge-based products developed	Narrative description of product type (e.g. study, report, publication, assessment, database, roadmap, guidelines, etc.). The description is important to ensure there is no double counting throughout the implementation of the Action: longer and complex Actions might be implemented over several years and there is a risk that the same product is reported under OP8, OP9 and/or OP10. An accurate description will prevent this from happening. If there are several versions of the same product (e.g. draft, final), please only report and count as one the final version of the report. Narrative description of the subject covered (e.g. climate change, trade barriers, migration, etc.). There might be several products dealing with the same subject/topic, in which case all products should be counted/reported.	n/a

Title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
OP9 Number of outcome statements emanating from the events	Narrative description of the subject(s) covered by the official statement(s). There might be several products dealing with the same subject/topic. The description is important to ensure there is no double counting throughout the implementation of the Action: longer and complex Actions might be implemented over several years and there is a risk that the same product is reported under OP8, OP9 and/or OP10. An accurate description will prevent this from happening.	n/a
OP10 Number of communication products developed	Number Narrative description of communication product (e.g. article, opinion piece, press release, video interview, leaflet, etc.). The description is important to ensure there is no double counting throughout the implementation of the Action: longer and complex Actions might be implemented over several years and there is a risk that the same product is reported under OP8, OP9 and/or OP10. An accurate	n/a

Title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
	description will prevent this from happening.	
	If there are several versions of the same product (e.g. draft, final), please only report and count as one the final version of the report.	
	Narrative description of the subject covered (e.g. climate change, trade barriers, migration, etc.). There might be several products dealing with the same subject/topic, in which case all products should be counted/reported.	
OP11 Number of public/media/communication campaigns designed and implemented	Number Narrative description of the topic. There might be several products dealing	n/a
	with the same subject/topic.	
OP12 Level of engagement online and on social media	Number	By channel:
	N.B.: The disaggregation categories are expected to be established in OPSYS. If	a) Number of visitors and/or signed-up users on a project website/webpage
	there are not there yet at the time of reporting, please report on the different categories in the narrative.	b) number of followers on any social media account (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)
		c) number of likes / shares / re-tweets of content prepared by

Title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
		the project team and published on any social media account d) number of times a hashtag promoted by a project is used on social media e) other (specify)

Outcome indicators

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
	Relevant for all Actions funde	d, irrespective of the source of funding	(PI or NDICI-GE)
Support the Union's bilateral, regional and inter-regional cooperation strategies, promoting policy dialogue and developing collective approaches and responses to	OC1 Number of processes related to state-level and sub-state level (bilateral, regional, multi-lateral) partnership strategies and policy dialogues which have been influenced	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the subject of the process (for example "developing a strategic partnership on urbanisation"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
challenges of global concern, such as migration and forced displacement, climate change and security issues, including mediation, and exploiting windows of opportunity in this regard	OC2 Number of processes related to non-state level partnerships / agreements which have been influenced.	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the subject of the process (for example "developing the Covenant of Mayors"). A non-state partnership / agreement involves non-state actors (e.g. businesses, civil society organisations) and can take multiple forms such as a formal agreement signed by multiple businesses to develop a R&D solution in common, an informal understanding that businesses will join up forces to promote a particular policy agenda or the creation of a consensus among civil society organisations on the position they will take ahead of a global conference on the protection of biodiversity.	n/a

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
		It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	
	OC3 Number of processes related to partner country approaches to challenges of global concern which have been influenced.	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the approach the Action aims to influence (for example "approach related to emission standards"). An approach relates to what a country says it will do or would like to do, in terms of readiness to negotiate an international agreement for instance (as opposed to practice, see next indicator). The narrative provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
	OC4 Number of processes related to partner country practices on challenges of global concern which have been influenced	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the <u>process</u> being influenced and the <u>practice</u> the Action aims to influence (for example "assisting with the drafting	n/a

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
		of low carbon legislation" or "bringing emissions standards in line with EU interests"). A practice relates to what the country actually does, in terms of adopting energy efficient technologies for instance (as opposed to approach, see previous indicator). The narrative provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	
	OC5 Number of processes related to the positions partner countries take in the run-up or during, regional/international fora which have been influenced	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the subject of the process (for example "influencing the position to be taken at the UN Conference on Climate Change"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
Support Union	Relevant for all Actions funde	d, irrespective of the source of funding	(PI or NDICI-GE)

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
trade policy and the negotiation, implementation and enforcement of trade agreements; and for improving access to partner country markets and boosting trade, investment and business opportunities for companies from the Union, in particular SMEs, while eliminating	OC6 Number of processes related to partner country practices on trade, investment and business which have been influenced.	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the practice the Action aims to influence (for example "developing legislation on trade in green goods"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
while eliminating barriers to market access and investment and protecting intellectual property rights, by means of economic diplomacy, business and regulatory cooperation, with the adaptations necessary for the specific situation	OC7 Number of processes related to the removal of barriers to market access, investment and business which have been influenced.	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the barrier(s) the Action targets (for example "removal of barriers to trade in renewables"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
of the partner country, taking into account the principle of policy coherence for development as laid down in	OC8 Number of processes related to the negotiation, implementation or enforcement of EU trade and investment agreements with partner countries which have been	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the <u>process</u> being influenced and the <u>subject of the process</u> (for example "removal of restrictions on foreign direct investment"). It provides a narrative	n/a

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
Articles 208 and 212 TFEU and the international commitments referred to in Article 3(1) of this Regulation	influenced	explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	
	OC9 Percentage of EU companies' which acknowledge a positive change in their perceptions of the business, trade and investment climate in partner countries	Percentage	n/a
Contribute to the	Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI-GE)		
implementation of the international dimension of internal Union policies such as, inter alia, environment, climate change, energy, science and education and cooperation on management and governance of the oceans as well as supporting regulatory	OC10 Number of processes related to partner country approaches contributing to the implementation of the international dimension of internal Union policies	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the approach the Action aims to influence (for example "securing the commitment to the development of a national circular economy strategy in line with the EU Green Deal"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation	
convergence				
	OC11 Number of processes related to partner country practices contributing to the implementation of the international dimension of internal Union policies	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the practice the Action aims to influence (for example "implementing an action plan for the transition to low carbon energy in line with the climate neutrality objective of the EU Green Deal"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a	
	Only relevant for PI-funded Actions (Actions funded from the 2014-2020 MFF)			
	OC12 Number of processes related to partner country approaches beneficial to the achievement of the Europe 2020 strategy which have been influenced.	Number and narrative. he narrative specifies the <u>process</u> being influenced and the <u>approach</u> <u>the Action aims to influence</u> (for example "supporting the opening of the ICT sector in partner country x" which in turn contributes to deliver the EU's digital agenda). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported.	n/a	
		If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed		

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
		in the narrative.	
	OC13 Number of processes related to partner country practices beneficial to the achievement of Europe 2020 strategy which have been influenced.	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the process being influenced and the practice the Action aims to influence (for example "contributing to the development of a regulatory framework in partner country x to support collaboration between EU and partner country x businesses in the field of ICT"). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
Promote	Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)		
widespread understanding and visibility of the Union and of its role on the world scene, by means of strategic communication,	OC14 Percentage of participants targeted by outreach and advocacy events who acknowledge a positive change in their perception of the EU and/or international policies and standards	Percentage	By gender
public diplomacy, people-to-people contacts, cultural diplomacy, cooperation in	OC15 Percentage of participants targeted by outreach and advocacy events who acknowledge having engaged further on	Percentage	By gender

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
educational and academic matters, and outreach activities to promote the Union's values and interests	the topic on their own initiative as a result of their exposure to an event		
	OC16 Number of articles published in print and/or digital media about an event	Narrative description of the tone (positive, neutral – factual, negative) of the article(s) Narrative description of the subject(s) covered by the article(s) Name of the print and/or digital media Note that this indicator does not count "direct products" of an Action (as opposed to the output indicator related to the number of communication products developed) as the articles are not produced by the activities or paid for. From its onset, a project might define a list of media they will monitor: that will help to set up the appropriate data collection tool (in this case a media monitoring).	n/a
Promote the mainstreaming of gender equality in bilateral, regional and multilateral projects	Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI): the gender-related indicator does not apply to projects focused on gender issues only. All EU-funded Actions are contributing to gender mainstreaming and the gender equality objective. This indicator captures this contribution and should be used systematically by as many actions as possible.		
	OC17 Number of processes related to bilateral, regional or multilateral practices / approaches that include gender equality objectives	Number and narrative The narrative specifies the <u>process</u> being influenced and the <u>subject of</u> <u>the process</u> (for example "updating	n/a

EU foreign policy objective	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
	which have been influenced	the labour legislation" which then could also cover the incorporation of the principle that girls and women participate as equals in the economic life and have access to all economic resources and social services). It provides a narrative explanation of how the processes have been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	

Impact indicators

EU foreign policy objectives	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
	Relevant for all Actions funded, irrespective of the source of funding (PI or NDICI)		
EU interests, values and standards have a positive impact on decision making processes in third countries	IMP1 Number of approaches and/or practices beneficial to the achievement of EU interests, values and standards which have been taken up in third countries	Number and narrative The narrative specifies the approach/practice being influenced in the partner country and beneficial to the EU (such as the development of a right-based digital sector in a partner country to take into account EU position / interests) and provides a narrative explanation of how the strategy has been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every approach/practice targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
	IMP2 Number of regulations and standards relating to trade, investment and business in partner countries which have been aligned to EU / international standards	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the regulations and standards which have been aligned to EU / international standards and provides a narrative explanation of how the alignment has been achieved in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every regulation/standard targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
	IMP3 Number of barriers to market access, investment and business development which have been removed	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies which barriers have been removed and provides a narrative explanation of how it was made possible in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every barrier targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
Reinforced political partnerships and new alliances contributing to strengthening the rules-based multilateral global order	IMP4 Number of EU regional, inter-regional, bi-lateral and multi-lateral cooperation partnership strategies (incl. strategies to address challenges of global concern) which have been developed, adopted or implemented	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies partnership strategy being enhanced (such as EU-[country] framework agreement or EU-[country] strategic partnership) and provides a narrative explanation of how the strategy has been enhanced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every strategy targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
Strengthened knowledge and image of the EU abroad as an influential global player and reliable partner	IMP5 Number of articles on the EU in the partner country	Number and narrative The narrative describes the tone (positive, neutral - factual, negative) of the article(s) of the coverage of EU affairs, the subject(s) covered by the article(s) and name of the print and/or digital media. From its onset, a project might define a sample of media which will be monitored. This will help define the appropriate data collection tool (in this case, media monitoring).	n/a

EU foreign policy objectives	Indicator title	Unit of measurement & guidance for use	Disaggregation
Gender equality promoted in EU foreign policy	IMP6 Percentage of actions (programmes/projects) that score 'High' or 'Medium' on the gender sensitivity index	Percentage	n/a
	Only relevant for PI-funded Actions	(Actions funded from the 2014-2020 MFF)	
	IMP7 Number of EU bilateral, regional, inter-regional and multi- lateral cooperation partnership strategies which have been enhanced	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the partnership strategy being enhanced (such as EU-[country] framework agreement or EU-[country] strategic partnership) and provides a narrative explanation of how the strategy has been enhanced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every strategy targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
	IMP8 Number of approaches and/or practices related to challenges of global/mutual concern which have been influenced	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the challenges being addressed jointly by the EU and the partner country in global and/or their mutual interest (e.g. adoption of binding methane emissions reduction targets) and provides a narrative explanation of how the approaches and/or practices have been developed/adopted/implemented in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every approach/practice targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a
	IMP9 Number of approaches and/or practices beneficial to the achievement of the EU2020 strategy which have been taken up in partner countries	Number and narrative. The narrative specifies the approach/strategy being influenced in the partner country and beneficial to the EU (such as the development by a partner country of an approach towards illegal migration) and provides a narrative explanation of how the strategy has been influenced in line with the objectives of the Action to justify the quantitative value reported. If your target is more than 1, every process targeted should be detailed in the narrative.	n/a