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Introduction to the OECD and the DAC

- OECD – Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
 - Established in 1960, 38 members countries, headquarters in Paris.
 - Mission – promote policies that improve economic and social well-being.
- DAC – Development Assistance Committee
 - Created in 1960, 32 members (including the EU) and 8 Participants (Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Croatia, Kuwait, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates)
 - Leading platform for bilateral providers of development co-operation.
 - Chair: Carsten Staur
 - More information on the DAC [webpage](#)



Introduction to DAC statistics

- **Short history:**
 - The DAC has measured resource flows to developing countries since 1961.
 - The “Creditor Reporting System (CRS)” was initially established in 1967.
 - Special attention has been given to the official and concessional part of these flows, defined as “Official Development Assistance” (ODA).
 - The DAC first defined ODA in 1969 and tightened the definition in 1972.
 - Starting with 2018 data, the new grant equivalent measure of ODA became the standard for reporting, with the headline ODA figures published on that basis.
- *Who reports data in DAC statistics ?*
 - 155 reporters including countries, multilateral organisations and private foundations: 110 official providers (32 DAC members, 18 countries beyond the DAC, 61 multilateral organisations) as well as 45 foundations report their developing finance statistics to the OECD.
- *What do they report?*
 - The OECD is seeking activity-level reporting from all countries.
- *Why do they report?*
 - This increases transparency at the international level, gives greater visibility to the development co-operation projects of these reporters and allows analysis through comparable data on data on development co-operation.



Concept of Official Development Assistance

ODA is a measure of donor effort.

ODA flows are grants and concessional finance to **ODA recipients** (countries/territories and international organisations).

O

“Official”: Provided by **official agencies**, including state and local governments

D

“Development”: Main objective is **economic development and welfare of developing countries**

A

“Assistance”: **Concessional in character**. Provided in the form of grants or soft loans.

View online data: [OECD Data Explorer](#)



Broader resource flows in OECD DAC statistics

	Concessional	Non-concessional
Official	Official development assistance (ODA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Grants (financial, in-kind)- Concessional loans- Technical assistance	Other official flows (OOF) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-concessional loans (e.g., by DFIs)• Grants for commercial or representational purposes Private sector instruments Officially supported export credits
Private	NGO, foundation and other charitable flows	Private flows at market terms <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FDI and portfolio investment• Private Bonds



Amounts mobilised by official development finance

	Flows	Amounts mobilised
Donor countries	Official flows from countries	Amounts mobilised from the private sector through official development finance interventions
Multilateral agencies	Flows from multilateral agencies	



Examples of ODA

- Water and sanitation: Digging of drinking water wells, and the installation of pumps and water storage tanks
- Social Services: Support and care for orphans and orphanages
- Health: Medical training to nurses and doctors on malaria treatment or provision of medical equipment
- Humanitarian Assistance: Provision of in-kind donations during emergency (Humanitarian assistance) e.g. drinking water, clothing
- Education: building of schools
- Rural Development: Integrated rural development project
- Energy: Solar power plants



What is excluded from ODA?

- Primarily **commercial** objectives (e.g., export credits)
- **Military** aid and promotion of donor's **security** interests
- **Foreign policy** objectives
- Promotion of **language or culture of provider country** (including support to the diaspora)
- **Religious** objectives
- **Counter-terrorism**
- **Private** grants



Reporting data cycle

April:
Preliminary
ODA release



June-November:
Data collections and
quality assurance

December:
Final ODA
release

Deadline March: Advance questionnaire

Deadline July: CRS/TOSSD reporting template



18 Non-DAC reporters to CRS-TOSSD

EUROPE

Bulgaria
Croatia
Cyprus¹
Latvia
Liechtenstein
Malta
Monaco
Romania
Türkiye

CENTRAL ASIA

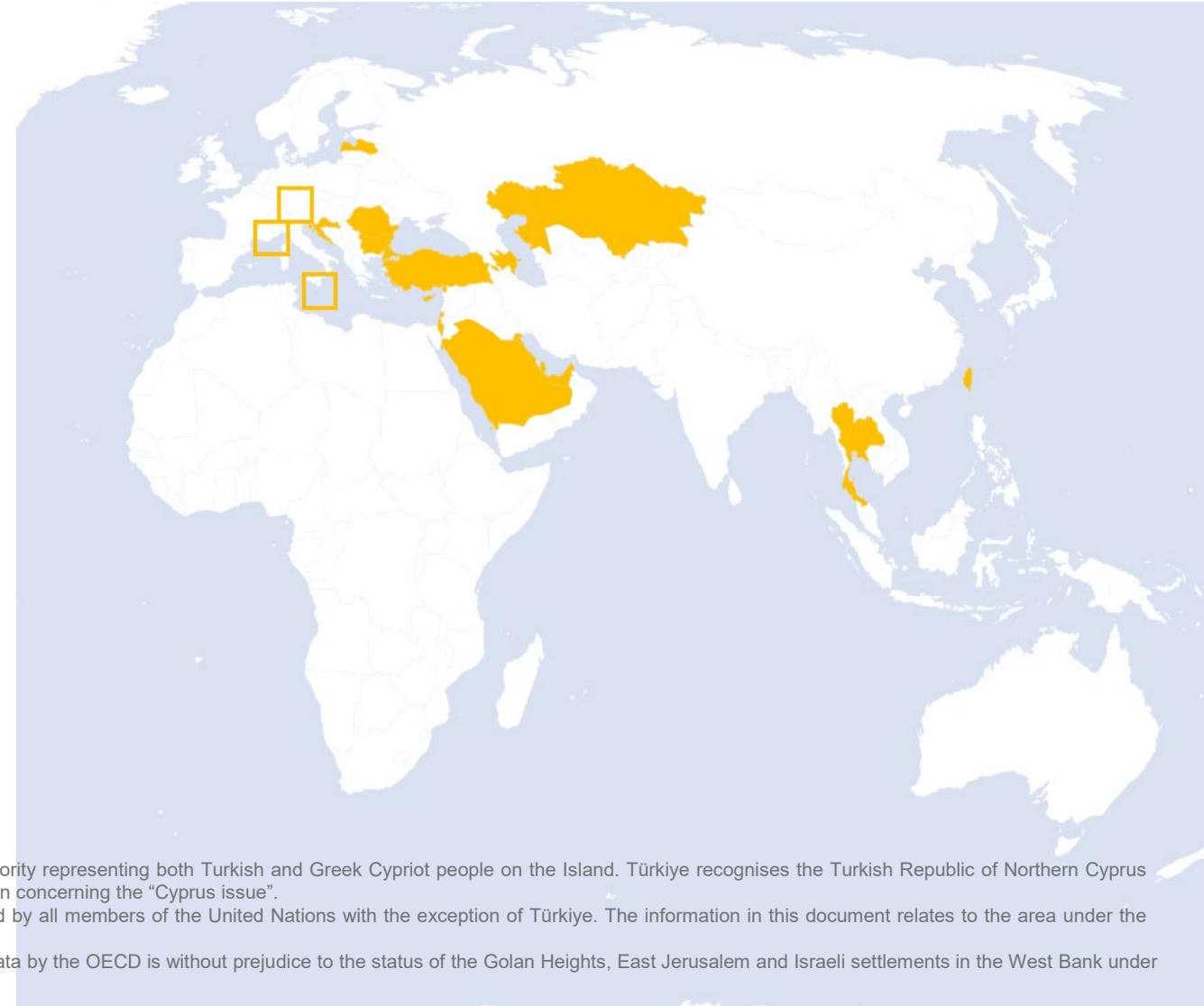
Azerbaijan
Kazakhstan

MIDDLE EAST

Israel²
Kuwait
Qatar
Saudi Arabia
United Arab Emirates

OTHER ASIA

Chinese Taipei
Thailand



¹ Note by the Republic of Türkiye:

The information in this document with reference to "Cyprus" relates to the southern part of the Island. There is no single authority representing both Turkish and Greek Cypriot people on the Island. Türkiye recognises the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). Until a lasting and equitable solution is found within the context of the United Nations, Türkiye shall preserve its position concerning the "Cyprus issue".

Note by all the European Union Member States of the OECD and the European Union: The Republic of Cyprus is recognised by all members of the United Nations with the exception of Türkiye. The information in this document relates to the area under the effective control of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus.

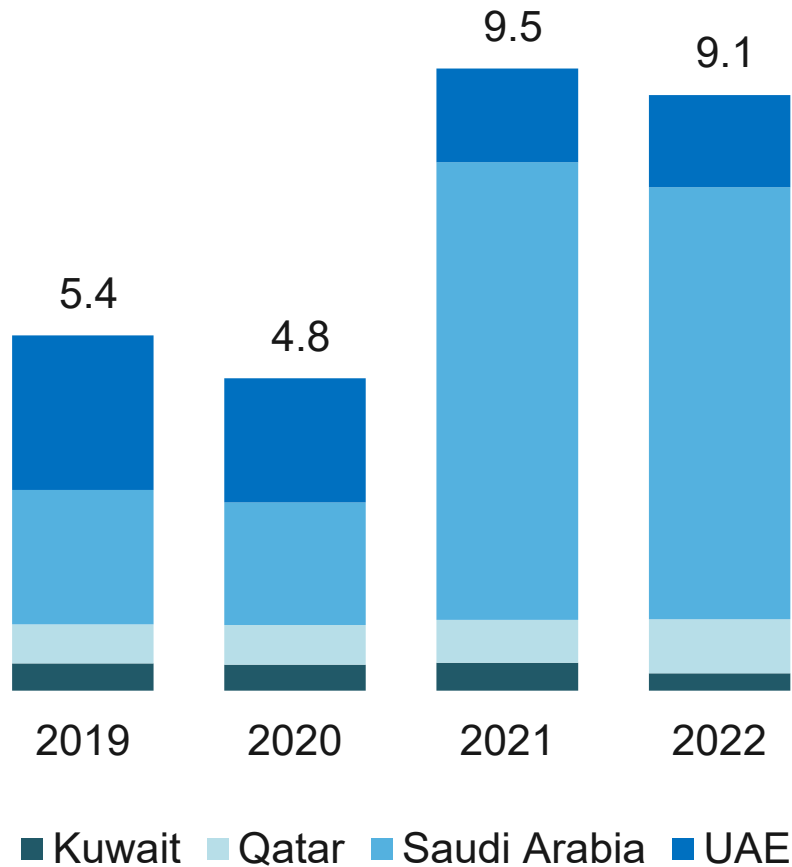
² The statistical data for Israel are supplied by and under the responsibility of the relevant Israeli authorities. The use of such data by the OECD is without prejudice to the status of the Golan Heights, East Jerusalem and Israeli settlements in the West Bank under the terms of international law.



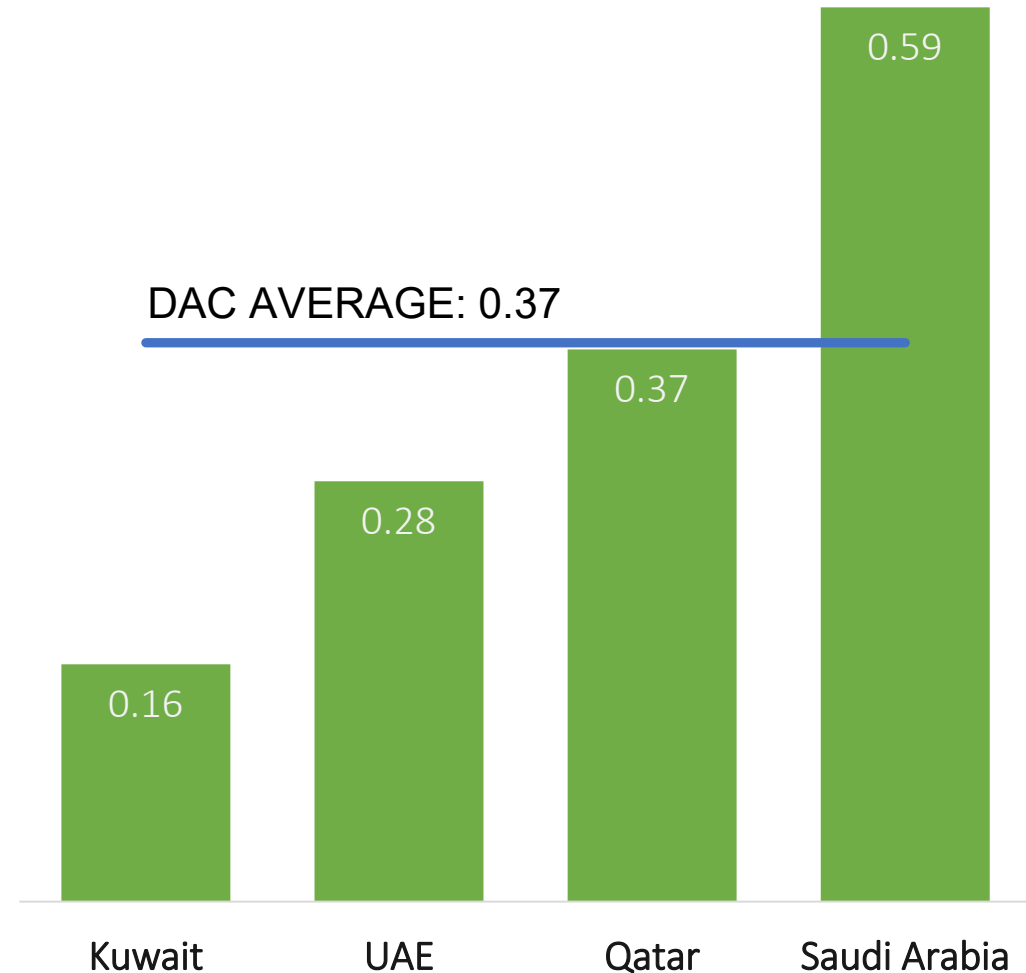
ODA by Arab reporters grew over 2019-22

2 reporters match or exceed DAC average

ODA USD billion, 2022 prices



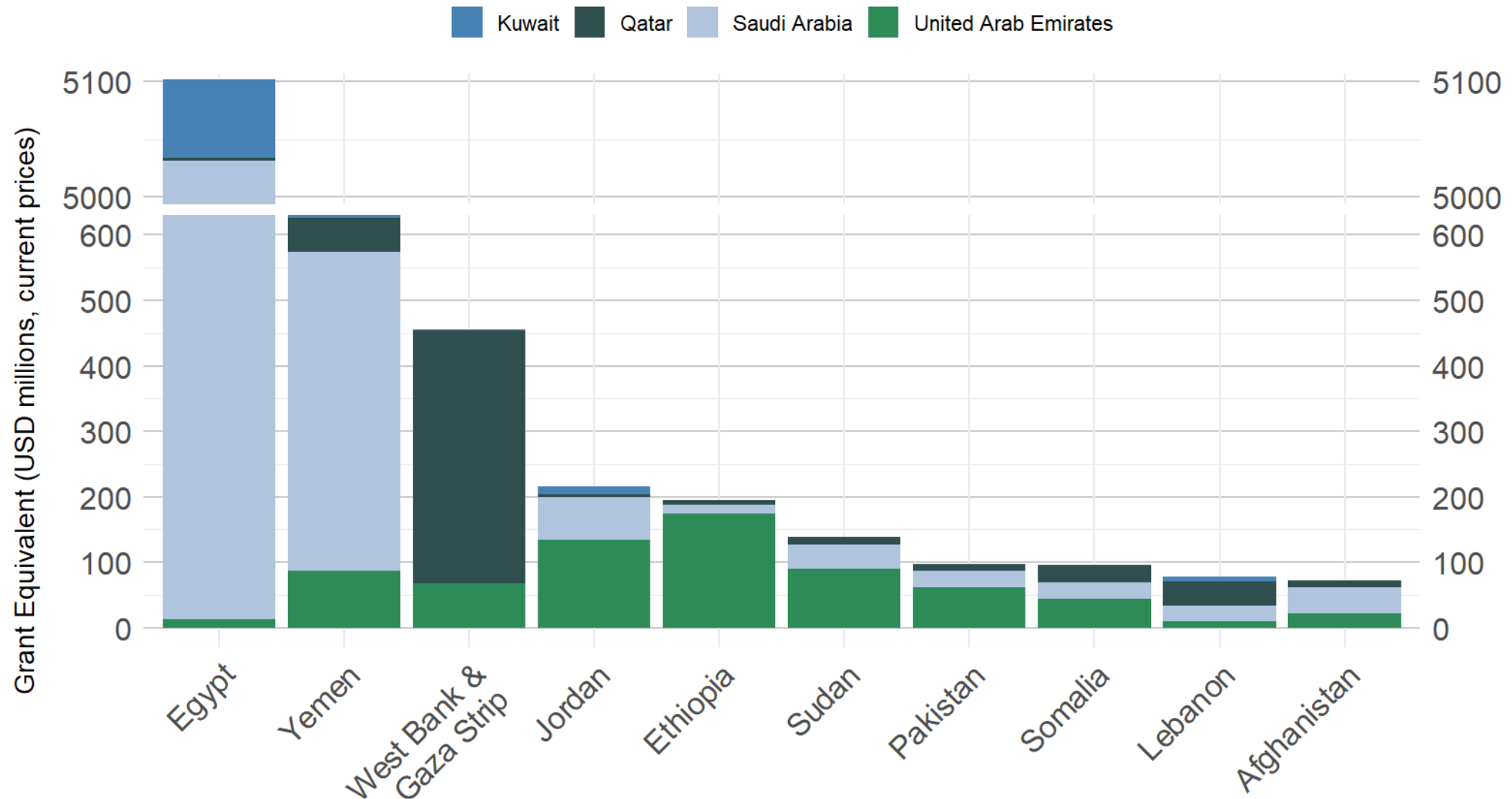
ODA as % of GNI, 2022





Top 10 ODA recipients from Arab reporters in 2022

Egypt by far largest recipient (~5.1 USD billion)





2022 ODA from Arab reporters by aid type [\(link\)](#)

Saudi Arabia: 5622.6

Budget support: 5206.9

Core multilateral: 429.2

Other bilateral: 835.5

Projects: 2482.4

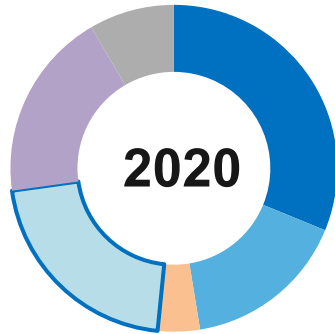
UAE: 1234.3

Qatar: 333.2

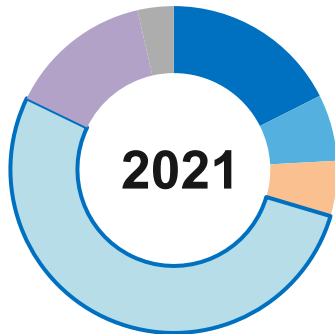
Kuwait: 263.2



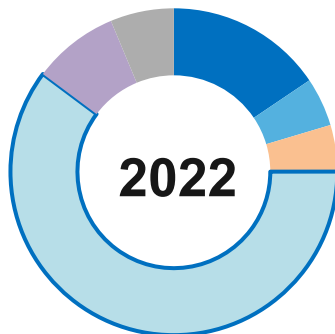
Growing focus on the MENA region through budget support



The share of budget support has been growing...

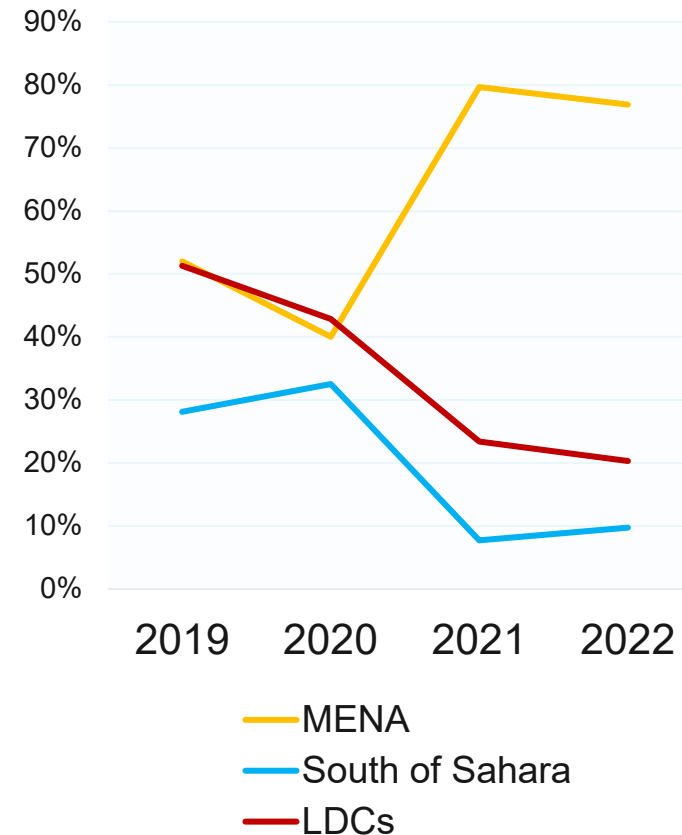


...in contrast to humanitarian aid and social sectors



- Social sectors
- Economic sectors
- Production sectors
- Budget support
- Humanitarian aid
- Other sectors

Support to the MENA region went up, while the share of ODA to LDCs and South of Sahara Africa decreased





AI & MACHINE LEARNING APPLICATIONS

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AI and Machine Learning Projects

- Traditional Machine Learning Algorithms
 - PPR Keyword Assignment
 - Policy Marker Predictor
 - SDG Classifier
 - Purpose Code Classifier
- Large Language Model Based Applications
 - Topic Clustering for Migration
 - PPR Keyword Assignment – Source Generation



Thank you!

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