



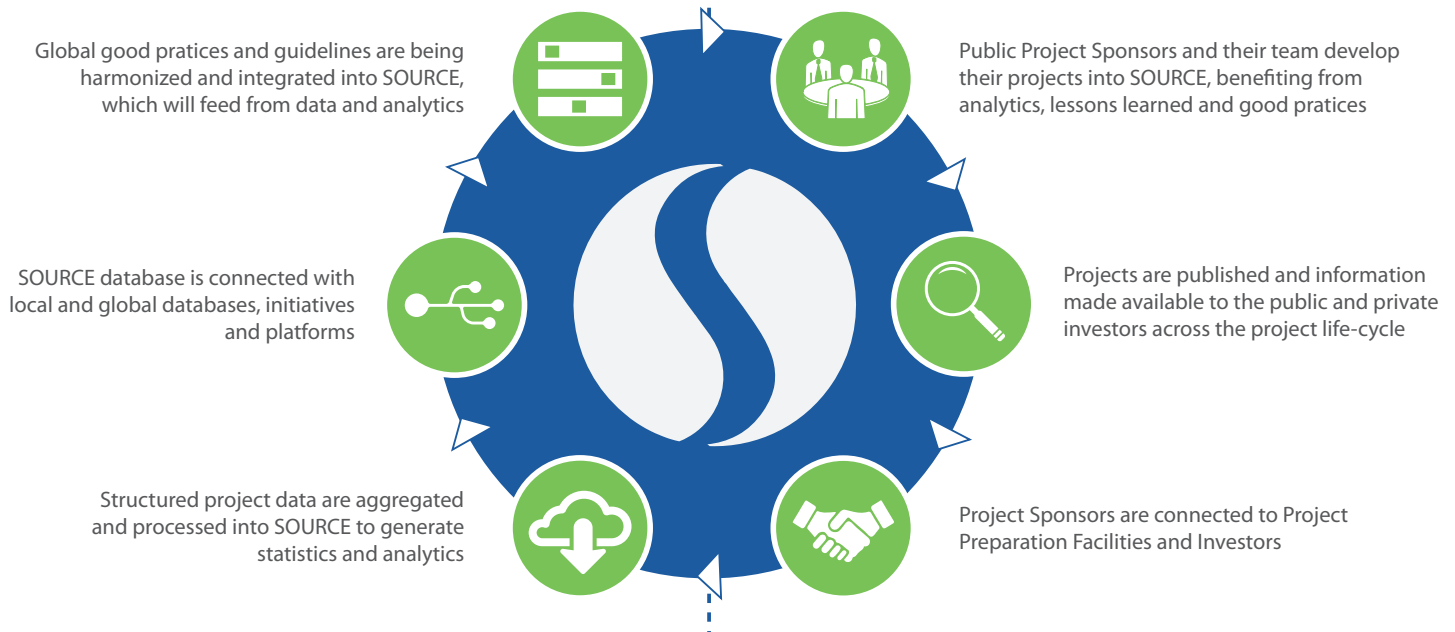
WHAT IS **SOURCE** EXACTLY ?

SOURCE is an online infrastructure project preparation and data management platform, led and funded by multi-lateral development banks (MDBs) in response to the G20 for addressing the global infrastructure gap. Delivering for scale and consistency, SOURCE operates at two different levels:

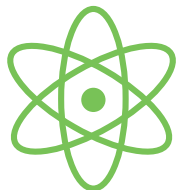
- 1. Project preparation and management software.** At the government level, SOURCE is an online, scalable, collaborative, and secure working software, providing guidance and capacity support for public project teams, from definition to implementation, as well as data and project management tools. SOURCE brings transparency and consistency in the project development cycle and provides an effective communication platform for specific project engagement and information between government preparation agencies, private sector contractors, bidders, financiers and civil society, which eventually reduces project preparation and transaction costs and improves disclosure.
- 2. Global Delivery Platform.** At the global level, SOURCE acts as a trusted, secured collector and repository of government project data across the project cycle, with servers under United Nations jurisdiction to address increasing data sovereignty and security concerns. Its structured yet customizable approach for infrastructure project data allows SOURCE to connect databases, initiatives and platforms, as well as to integrate and harmonize project preparation-related standards and knowledge products. Looking ahead, SOURCE will generate data-based trends for pre-agreed indicators and provide data for analytics in compliance with its legal obligations with all relevant, respective data owners (MDBs and governments).

Global Delivery Platform

Infrastructure Project Management Software



Frequently Asked Questions



“Is SOURCE a tool, a product, a standard?”

SOURCE delivers so-called “best practices”, global standards or public goods integrated and/or harmonized from other bodies and also acts as a repository of project data for preparation teams. It can help connect projects to initiatives or potential preparation partners and therefore it isn’t for comparison to other preparation-related standards, tools, principles or facilities on an “apples to apples” or “apples to oranges” basis, but rather SOURCE is a multilateral-led fruit delivery truck service.

Do I need to have all my project’s information ready before I should start using SOURCE? Is SOURCE a PPF?

No need to wait for all data in hand and teams don’t need external support to start using SOURCE. SOURCE is designed to support teams throughout the project cycle and be used as a guidance from the outset. SOURCE certainly doesn’t replace project preparation facilities’ support nor transaction advisors. SOURCE provides preparation teams and advisors a common, informed, coordinated, connectable, secure and consistent online workspace – helping to guide and highlight on key issues throughout preparation, and informing better decision making.



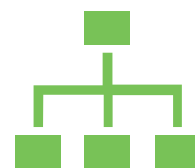
“How much does SOURCE cost?”

The cost of maintaining, developing and promoting SOURCE is primarily funded by MDBs, PPFs and donors, with an increasing financial contribution from private sector infrastructure players. This allows Sustainable Infrastructure Foundation to make the platform available for free to all government agencies from developing and emerging countries



“What is SIF, how does it work?”

SIF is a not-for-profit Swiss foundation headquartered in Geneva, which coordinates the provision of SOURCE. It is led and financed by MDBs which approve the operational strategy and budget of the platform. It is also supported by two Committees representing the public and private sectors, providing support and guidance to its development.



“What about data sovereignty and security?”

SOURCE’s data are under United Nations jurisdiction, with its servers hosted by the UN in Geneva. From an IT perspective, data security and privacy are managed at three different levels to: i) protect against external unauthorized access, ii) keep each project workspace private and iii) manage permissions between team members.



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