

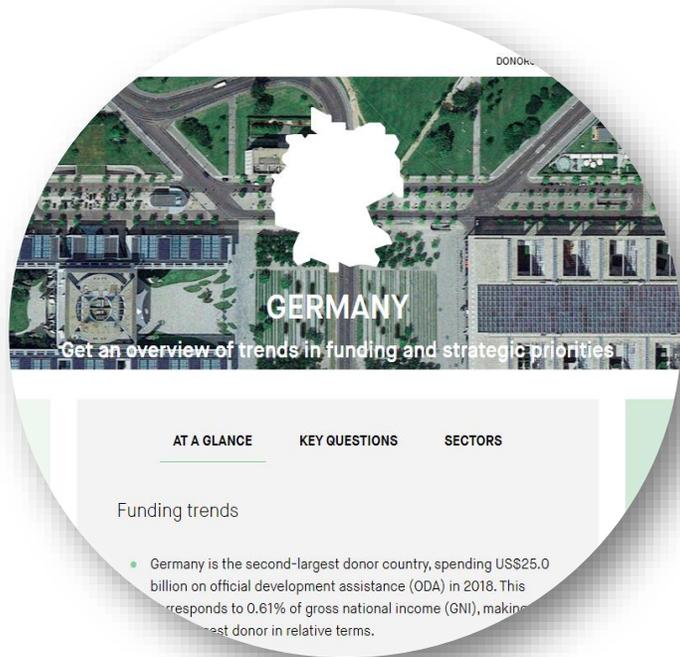


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Early analyses and trends to watch



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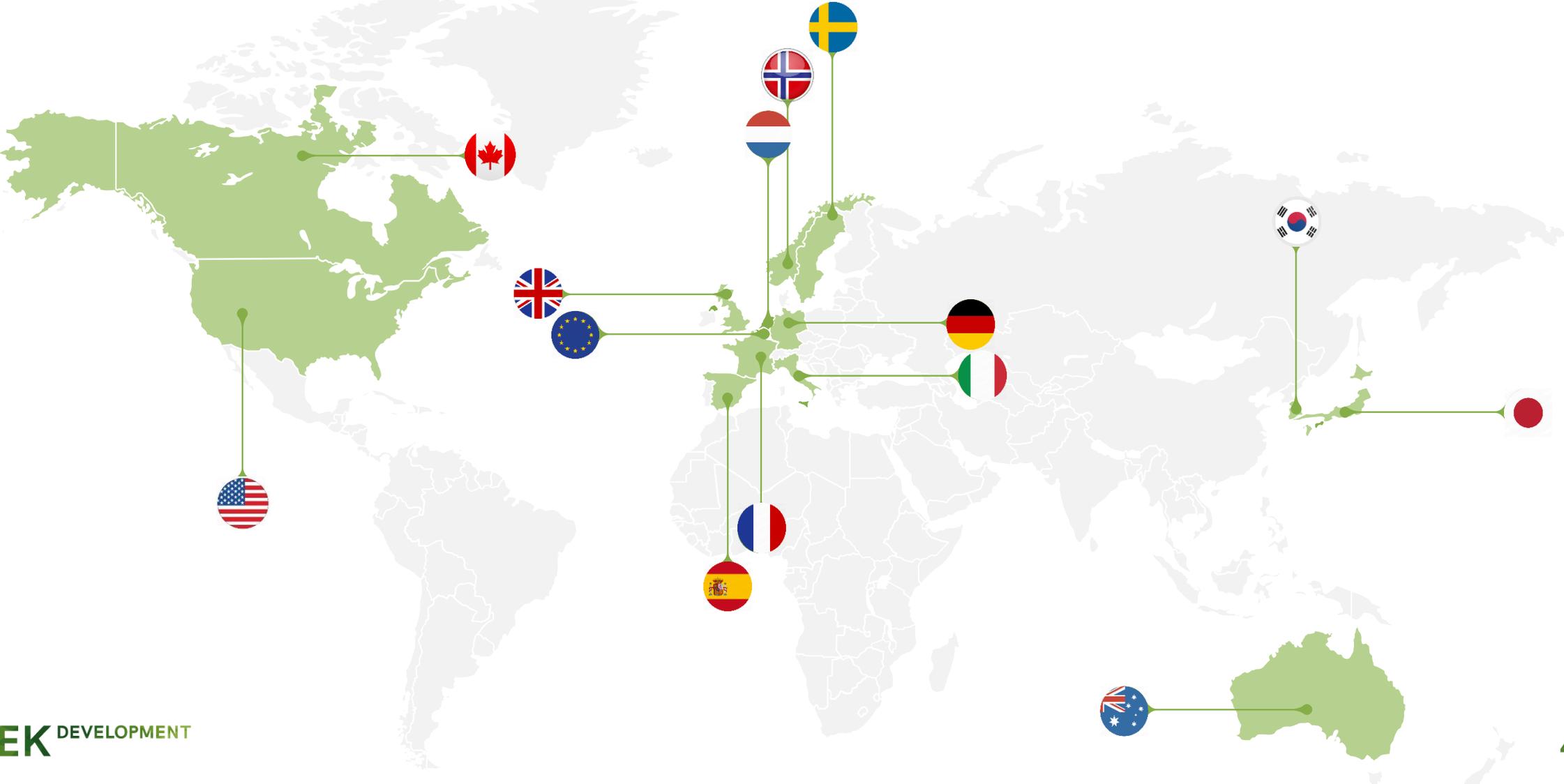
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How are donor countries responding to the COVID-19 crisis?

Financing of COVID-19 vaccines, diagnostics, and therapeutics

- **Multilateral organizations and partnerships are currently at the forefront** of this effort and are major recipients of donor country funding
- Focus is also **Gavi** to support its efforts on vaccine distribution; UK-hosted pledging conference on 4 June seeks at least \$7.4 bn for 2021-25 period
- There is significant emphasis on **ensuring the equitable distribution** of medical developments to diagnose, treat, and prevent COVID-19
- Many donor countries are also **funding domestic research institutions** working on R&D related to COVID-19



Funding to mitigate health and wider economic and social impacts in LICs and MICs

- Donor countries are **funding new initiatives** as well as **contributing directly to UN-led funds**
- Countries are making investments in **accordance with their broader priorities for development assistance**
- Donors are starting to directly fund efforts to improve **economic stability in low-income countries**; but much more is needed
- Several donors are announcing **more comprehensive international response packages** which address multiple dimensions (e.g. Germany, Netherlands)





What are trends to watch?

Trends to watch and things to consider (1/2)

- A rare **window of opportunity** to push for massive ODA increases is opening — but may close again once public interest fades
- **Donors are shifting priorities** towards COVID-19; ‘zero sum’ funding competition between sectors is likely unless funding pie gets bigger
- **Controversies over ODA volumes**, including COVID-19 response, will be particularly fierce in countries that link ODA to national economic growth
- Debates over appropriate budgets will **continue at least until 2021, but likely longer**; parliamentary negotiations in fall 2020 will be key milestone
- **Some policy reviews and strategy updates have been put on hold** to focus on urgent COVID-19 response



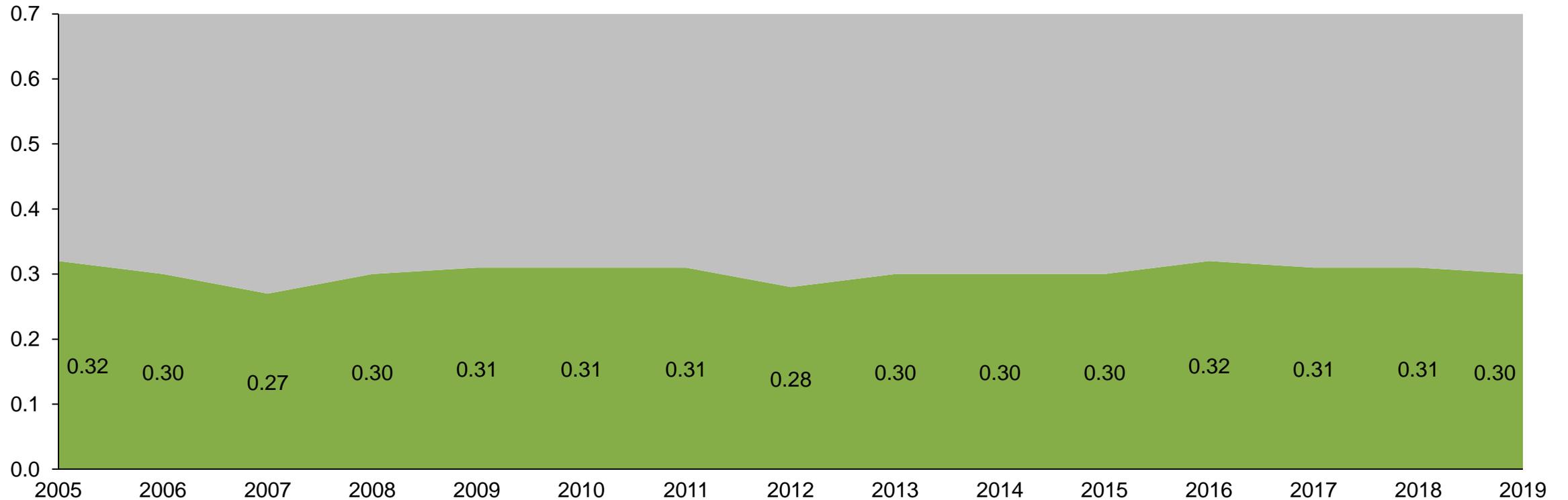
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- Implementers are benefiting from **more flexibility in programming when using government funds** to respond to COVID-19
- International COVID-19 response will **dominate the agendas of key global development fora** over the next months, including the EU and G20
- As US government largely shirks the coordinated international response, **other actors are stepping up to lead**; but US funding remains key
- **Tracking donor response to COVID-19 will remain tricky** due to uncertainty around impact, funding needs, and 'rebranding' efforts



With all eyes on COVID-19 response, let us not forget global development issues have been structurally underfunded for a long time; this must change

ODA as % of GNI - all OECD DAC countries
ODA as % of GNI - missing % to reach 0.7 target



Source: OECD DAC.

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