DFI’s research and analytical work has covered bilateral concessional financing issues, especially the relative effectiveness of different donors’ programmes, and how developing countries can get the best quality aid for development. Among examples of this work are:

- Key Analytical issues for Government External Financing
- Guide to Donors
- The Effectiveness of Aid to Africa Since the HIPC Initiative: Issues, Evidence and Possible Areas for Action

DFI’s research work on the quality and effectiveness of bilateral aid has also been cited in the

- DATA/One Campaign Reports (2009 and 2008)
- European Aid Watch Report (2009)