Developing Countries 2021

The list of developing countries shown below is adhered to by the ISI, effective from 1 January until 31 December 2021.
(Also see the 2022 list)

- Afghanistan
- Albania
- Algeria
- Angola
- Argentina
- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Belarus
- Belize
- Benin
- Bhutan
- Bolivia
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Botswana
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Burkina Faso
- Burundi
- Cabo Verde
- Cambodia
- Cameroon
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- China (Mainland)
- Colombia
- Comoros
- Congo, Dem. Rep
- Congo, Rep.
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Djibouti
- Dominica
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- Egypt, Arab Rep.
- El Salvador
- Eritrea
- Ethiopia
- Fiji
- Gabon
- Gambia, The
- Georgia
- Ghana
- Grenada
- Guatemala
- Guinea
- Guinea-Bisau
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran, Islamic Rep.
- Iraq
- Ivory Coast
- Jamaica
- Jordan
- Kazakhstan
- Kenya
- Kiribati
- Korea, Dem Rep.
- Kosovo
- Kyrgyz Republic
- Lao PDR
- Lebanon
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Libya
- Macedonia, Rep. of North
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Mali
- Marshall Islands
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Mayotte
- Mexico
- Moldova
- Mongolia
- Montenegro
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Myanmar
- Nauru
- Namibia
- Nepal
- Nicaragua
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Papua New Guinea
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Philippines
- Romania
- Russian Federation
- Rwanda
- Samoa
- São Tomé and Principe
- Senegal
- Serbia
- Sierra Leone
- Solomon Islands
- Somalia
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Sri Lanka
- St. Lucia
- St. Vincent and the Grenadines
- Sudan
- Suriname
- Swaziland
- Syrian Arab Republic
- Tajikistan
- Tanzania
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
World Bank Country Classifications

Developing countries are defined according to their Gross National Income (GNI) per capita per year, as calculated by the World Bank Atlas method, 31 October 2020.

Countries that are slightly over the amount of US$ 12,056 will be considered a developing country for the year 2020, and their situation will be reviewed for 2021.

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