

AFRICA/ECOWAS REGION: ECT ACCESSION OUTLOOK

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MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

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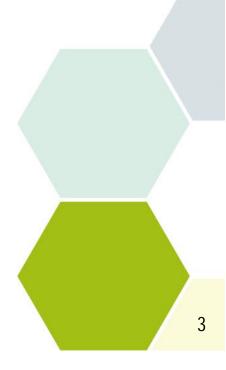
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Observers/Signatories to the International Energy Charter Conference – ECOWAS Countries/Regional Bodies

- 1. Benin
- 2. Burkina Faso
- 3. Gambia
- 4. Mali
- 5. Mauritania
- 6. Niger
- 7. Nigeria
- 8. Senegal
- 9. Sierra Leone
- 10. ECOWAS Commission
- 11. G5 Sahel





Ratification stage countries (invitations to accede to the ECT received)

- Eswatini Has completed and approved all accession reports. Invited by the Conference to accede to the ECT. Secretariat liaising closely with the government in an effort to assess prospects for ratification.
- Mauritania Has completed and approved all accession reports. Invited by the Conference to accede to the ECT. Secretariat liaising with the government in an effort to assess prospects for ratification.
- Burundi Has completed and approved all accession reports. Invited to accede to the ECT. Secretariat liaising with the government in an effort to assess prospects for ratification.



Countries which have completed accession reports but yet to be invited to accede to the Treaty (invitation to accede to the Treaty Not received)

Uganda – All accession reports have been completed in 2018 and the Energy Charter Secretariat has received written confirmation of the government's acknowledgement of the reports and its intention to accede to the ECT but has not yet been invited by the Conference to accede to the Treaty





Countries which have completed accession reports but yet to notify intention to accede

Morocco. All accession reports completed but not yet confirmed by the government.
 Objective now to receive written confirmation of the government's acknowledgement of
 completion of the reports and thereby of intention to accede to the ECT. An invitation
 from the Conference for Morocco to accede to the Treaty should follow.



Countries which have completed accession reports but yet to notify of intention to accede (Cont.)

- Niger has completed all accession reports, but has not confirmed them and has not indicated request for accession.
- Chad has completed all accession reports, but has not confirmed them and has not indicated request for accession.
- Nigeria has completed all accession reports, but has not confirmed them yet and has not indicated request for accession.
- The Gambia and Senegal has completed all accession reports, but has not confirmed them and has not indicated request for accession.



Anticipated accession reports

- **Benin** was invited to nominate secondees and responded positively to the request in August 2019, and sent a secondee to ECS in Brussels in March 2020 who worked on Energy Efficiency Report (A Technical Report and not yet an accession report)
- Sierra Leone was invited to nominate secondees in May 2019, and responded positively to the request in June 2019
- Kenya was invited to nominate secondees in December 2018 and responded positively to the request in early March 2019
- All ECOWAS Countries were invited by the Conference in 2016 to sign the International Energy Charter political declaration as observers/signatories to the Energy Charter Conference



Possible further accession reports in the future

- **Tanzania.** Agreement in principle with the government for a secondee to wok on an investment report (pre-accession investment report on Tanzania completed in 2015)
- Mozambique have partially completed pre-accession reports on investment



Countries working on accession reports

• **Morocco:** Started preparation of the accession reports, having signed the European Energy Charter in 2012 and becoming an observer to the Conference in that year

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