The global standard for the good governance of oil, gas and mineral resources

Based on the principle that a country’s natural resources belong to its citizens, the EITI Standard promotes the open and accountable management of oil, gas and mineral resources.

As a multi-stakeholder organisation, the EITI builds trust between governments, companies and civil society. The EITI requires the disclosure of information along the extractive industry value chain, from licensing to extraction, to how revenue makes its way through to government, to how it contributes to the economy and wider society. In doing so, the EITI strengthens public and corporate governance, promotes transparent and accountable natural resource management, and provides data that informs debate and reform in the extractive sector.

52 countries implement the EITI Standard

3.5 billion people live in countries rich in oil, gas or minerals. With good governance, the revenues from extractive industries can have a significant impact on reducing poverty and boosting shared prosperity.

2.5 trillion USD in revenues have been disclosed in EITI Reports. Estimate from 399 financial years

95% of EITI data is publicly available in open data format

EITI data is used to:

- Foster public debate
- Inform legal and fiscal reforms
- Strengthen tax collection
- Track revenue distribution to communities
- Create financial models
- Monitor contracts
- Clarify investment environment
- Inform credit and ESG ratings
- Identify corruption risks

International Management

The International Secretariat, based in Oslo, supports countries and the international EITI Board, which assesses countries’ progress in meeting the EITI Standard.

Stronger institutions and governance frameworks help reduce the scope for corruption and mobilise domestic resources for sustainable development.

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Chair, International EITI Board
Data disclosed under the EITI

THE EITI STANDARD COVERS

- Natural resources
- Contracts and licences
- Production
- Revenue collection
- Revenue allocation
- Social and economic spending
- Public benefit

- Contracts and licences
- Exploration activities
- Production figures
- Export data
- Tax revenues
- Sales by governments and state-owned enterprises
- Infrastructure and barter agreements
- Revenue management
- Distribution of revenues
- Subnational transfers
- CSR payments
- Quasi-fiscal expenditures
- Contribution to national economy
- Employment figures on gender
- Environmental impact

How the EITI works and how it achieves impact

1. The EITI is implemented at the national level, where local multi-stakeholder groups (MSGs) oversee implementation and ensure it’s aligned with national priorities.

2. MSGs are responsible for publishing, analysing, and communicating data required by the EITI Standard to wider audiences, from ministers and parliamentarians to local communities and civil society groups.

3. Data is leveraged by stakeholders and wider society to curb corruption, strengthen governance and support inclusive development.

Opening data, building trust

As the world becomes more digital, EITI disclosures are increasingly moving online, making data more timely, useful and cost-effective.

Timeline

- **2002** The EITI is launched
- **2003** EITI Principles are agreed
- **2009** EITI Rules are agreed and first EITI countries are assessed
- **2013** The EITI Standard replaces the EITI Rules, moving requirements beyond revenue transparency
- **2016** The EITI Standard is revised to include beneficial ownership disclosure requirements
- **2019** The EITI Standard is revised to include disclosure on contracts, gender, environment and commodity trading

The EITI enables better governance of public finances and expenditures, while providing a forum for stakeholders to debate public policy and development.

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