

Over 100 countries

have committed to beneficial ownership transparency

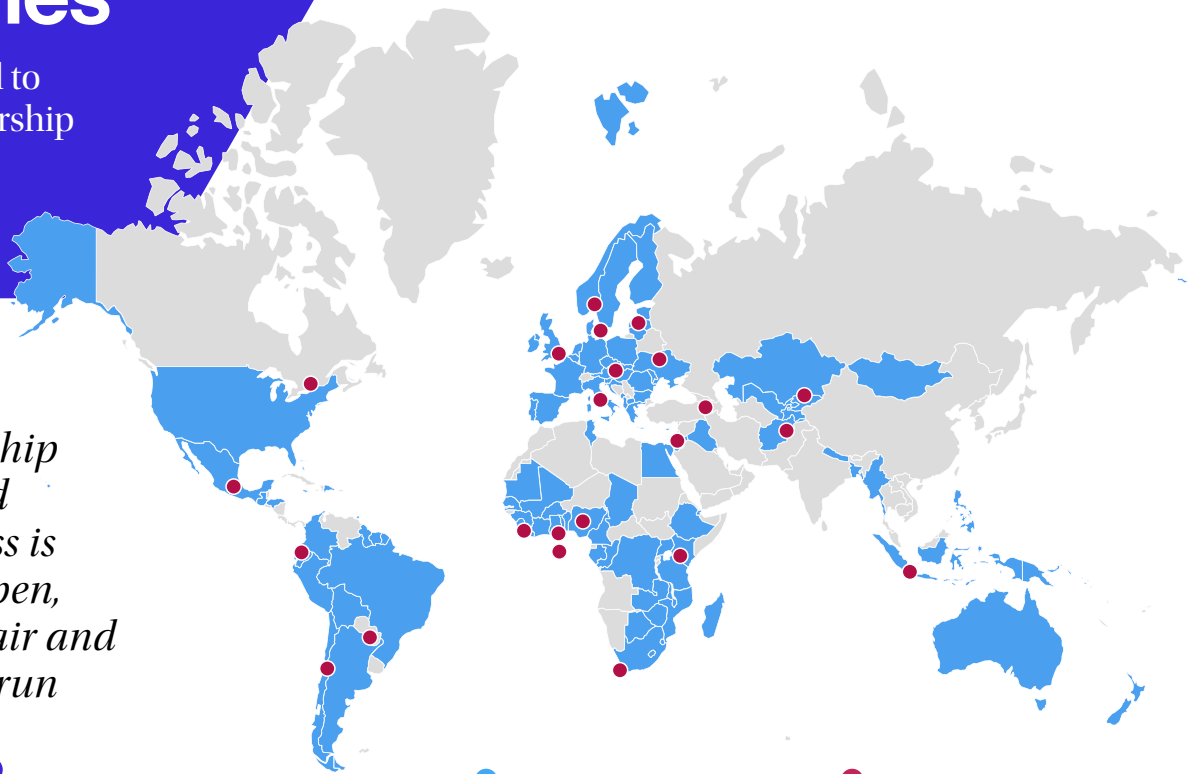
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Open Ownership



Open Ownership wants a world where business is done in the open, markets are fair and governments run effectively.

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● Countries which have committed to beneficial ownership transparency

● Countries where Open Ownership is currently working

Governments want to bring the real owners of companies into the open

Public registers of beneficial owners give access to high-quality data about who owns, controls, and benefits from companies and their profits. This information – known as beneficial ownership transparency (BOT) – helps tackle corruption, reduce investment risk, and improve national and global governance. But BOT is new to many countries that stand to benefit, and support is needed to realise its impact.

Open Ownership (OO) helps make this happen through:

- providing technical assistance and guidance to reform policies, laws and systems;
- regional peer learning programmes;
- upgrading technical capacity so agencies can use data at scale for real impact;
- working with journalists and governments to show how data can be used;
- advancing globally-shareable systems so that data from around the world can be connected and used;
- growing international buy-in for BOT by providing robust evidence.

The benefits include:

- building business and market confidence;
- tackling corruption and criminal activities;
- improving government procurement and spending;
- running effective tax systems;
- supporting sustainable, equitable development.

OO is the global expert in this work, and involved at every stage of the process to make reforms work and to deliver results for citizens. The benefits are already being seen: over USD 1 billion has been recovered by governments using beneficial ownership data. This is just the beginning and we hope you will join us as we drive the global shift towards transparency over who owns and controls companies worldwide.

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