

#IBELONG progress in ECOWAS

Highlights as of 30.04.2019

Parties to the 1954 & 1961 Conventions



Cabo Verde, Ghana and Togo: Not party

Statelessness Government Focal Points nominated



Cabo Verde: Pending

National Action Plans



Guinea-Bissau (2018) and Togo (2019): Newly adopted

Benin, Burkina Faso, Gambia, Guinea and Mali: Adopted

Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Liberia, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal and Sierra Leone: In progress

Cabo Verde: Not started

Legal reforms

Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Gambia, Guinea, Liberia, Senegal and Togo: Ongoing

Guinea-Bissau

A special regime to naturalise protracted refugees adopted in 2018.

Sierra Leone

A mother can transmit her nationality to her children since 2017.

Côte d'Ivoire

A special procedure on late birth registration and a law on civil status adopted in 2018.

Niger

Restrictions on dual nationality removed and discrimination with regard to transmission of nationality between spouses ended in 2014.

Birth Registration

Benin, Burkina Faso, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau and Senegal:

Delivrance of birth certificates to populations at risk of statelessness since 2018: 3,789 in Benin, 37,250 in Burkina Faso, 444 in Gambia, 1,955 in Guinea-Bissau and 1,316 in Senegal.

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During mobile court sessions 4,707,514 late births registered in 2018.

Nigeria

Since 2017, 167,991 birth certificates issued to IDP and returnee children.

Côte d'Ivoire

More than 400,000 children and persons at risk of statelessness received late birth certificates in 2018.

Naturalisation/ confirmation of nationality

4 Mauritanian refugees were naturalised and 1,171 refugees born in Mali had Malian nationality confirmed since 2018.

Burkina Faso

15,000 nationality certificates delivered to persons at risk of statelessness in 2018.

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Liberia

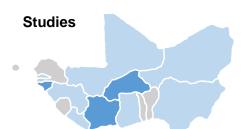
300 former Sierra Leonean refugees received naturalisation certificates in 2018.

Côte d'Ivoire

161 persons at risk of statelessness obtained nationality certificates in 2018. For the first time in 2018, nationality granted to 11 foundlings.

Nigeria

Since 2017, at least 100,000 IDPs were issued a National Identity Number.



Côte d'Ivoire and Niger (Diffa region): Published

Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire (mapping exercise) and Guinea-Bissau: Finished, yet to be published

Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Liberia, Mali, Niger and Nigeria: Ongoing

Done
Ongoing
Not accomplished