



# SIREXE REVIEW FIRST EDITION

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### **GENERAL INTRODUCTION**

Africa is rich in extractive and energy resources, but remains poorly integrated into the value chain, often limiting itself to the export of raw materials. Furthermore, nearly 600 million Africans still do not have access to electricity. To reverse this trend, African countries must adopt an exploitation model focused on local processing, economic inclusion and sustainability, in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the requirements of the energy transition.

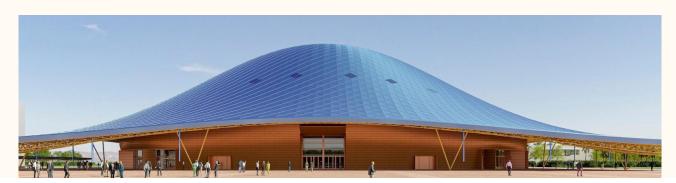
With this in mind, the Ministry of Mines, Petroleum and Energy organised, under the High Patronage of the President of the Republic, the first edition of the International Exhibition of Extractive and Energy Resources (SIREXE), held from 27 November to 2 December 2024 at the Abidjan Exhibition Centre.

Organised around the theme: 'Sustainable development of extractive and energy industries: what policies and strategies?', the exhibition brought together national, regional and international players to discuss the major challenges facing the sector.

Its specific objectives included:

- · Promoting sectoral policies and strategies;
- · Highlighting current challenges;
- · Promoting national resources;
- Presenting structural projects;
- · Promoting local content;
- Strengthening cooperation and mobilising funding.

This report presents an overview of SIREXE 2024, its impact and the prospects for the future following this first edition.





### PREPARATION OF THE SIREXE

### A. Organizational Framework

To achieve the objectives of SIREXE 2024, a major organisational structure has been put in place, comprising an Organising Committee made up of the following bodies: the Scientific Committee and the Operational Committee, under the aegis of the Steering Committee, which is responsible for guiding and supervising the organisation of SIREXE. The Ministry has also enlisted the services of an agency specialising in events: 2A Consulting. This structure has been responsible for site development, logistical and technical deployment, sponsor recruitment and marketing of the exhibition, the event's promotional campaign and relations with the national and international press.

### **B.** Preparatory activities

As part of the preparations for SIREXE, a series of sectoral, diplomatic and commercial meetings was initiated by the Minister, the General Commission and the agency 2A Consulting.

### Official launch ceremony

The SIREXE launch ceremony was held on 1July 2024 at the Palais des Congrès of the Sofitel Abidjan Hotel Ivoire, under the patronage of His Excellency Mr Robert Beugré MAMBÉ, Prime Minister, Head of Government, Minister of Sports and Living Environment. This event provided an opportunity to present details of this first edition to industry stakeholders and the media. It brought together 2,500 participants.

### **Promotional trips (roadshows)**

To promote the first edition of SIREXE and draw inspiration from similar trade shows, several missions were carried out abroad between July and October 2024: in France, during Mining on Top Africa (MOTA); in Australia, during Africa Down Under (ADU); in Ghana, for the West African Energy Summit

(WAES); in Burkina Faso, during West African Mining Activities Week (SAMAO); in Angola, host of the 5th annual oil and gas conference and exhibition (AOG); in South Africa, during Africa Oil Week (AOW); and in Gabon, which hosted the Central Africa Business Energy Forum (CABEF).



### **SUCCESS IN NUMBERS**

COUNTRIES INVITED

2 200 REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPANTS

HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCES AND PANELS SPONSORS AND PARTNERS

50 000 **VISITORS** 

+100 000

FOLLOWERS ON SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORKS

+4000 BILLION

**CONTRACTS**SIGNED

+2000000

THROUGH NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEDIA







# **STRONG INTERNATIONAL MOBILISATION**



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MINISTRY OF MINIERAL AND
PETROLEUM RESOURCES



ANGOLA

DIAMANTINO
PEDRO AZEVEDO

MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES,
PETROLEUM AND GAS











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PETROLEUM AND MINES



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MEISSA
DIAKHATE
CHIEF OF STAFF, MINISTRY
OF ENERGY, PETROLEUM
AND MINES, HEAD OF DELEGATION













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### A VERY BUSY PROGRAMME

- Opening ceremony attended by His Excellency Alassane Ouattara, President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, and His Excellency Kashim Shettima, Vice-President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
- · High-level inaugural conferences
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- 6 days of exhibitions bringing together players from the 3 sectors
- · Scientific activities: conferences, panels and round tables
- · Audiences with Minister Mamadou SANGAFOWA-COULIBALY
- · Signing of contracts, MoUs and partnership agreements
- ESEF Forum
- Side events: SIREXE Hackathon, KAYDAN Entrepreneur Caravan, SIREXE By Night, Golf Competition, ABIDJAN MINING DRINKS
- · Closing ceremony









### CONFERENCES AND PANELS

The programme of conferences, panels and round tables provided an opportunity to review strategic issues for the development of the extractive and energy sector in Africa.

- Strategies for developing and intensifying mineral exploration
- Negotiating mining contracts
- The circular economy in mining waste recycling
- · Integrated strategies for environmentally responsible mining, particularly for EMAPEs
- · The regional electricity market and securing cross-border energy exchanges
- · Electricity for all in Côte d'Ivoire
- · The introduction of nuclear power into the West African energy mix
- The digitalisation of energy systems
- · The tariff structure to ensure the financial balance of the electricity sector
- Arbitration situations in turnkey contracts and the development of electricity generation capacity
- The sustainability of the hydrocarbon production and processing value chain
- The role of national companies and oil companies in industrial and socio-economic development
- The long-term monetisation of African gas resources
- The contribution of artificial intelligence and new technologies to the development of the extractive and energy industries
- · The future of cleaner fuels











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# **OVERALL CONCLUSION**

The first edition of SIREXE demonstrated Côte d'Ivoire's strategic importance in Africa's extractive and energy ecosystem.

It facilitated structured dialogue between public and private stakeholders, increased visibility for major projects, and generated strong momentum around sustainability. Feedback from participants and the results achieved call for consolidating the gains made and innovating even further for future editions. SIREXE now aims to become a key event in West Africa for the extractive and energy industries.



# GET A HEAD START! GET READY FOR SIREXE 2026

Reserve your place today to secure your participation and choose the best location at SIREXE 2026.

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