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## Journalists' Training: using data from EITI Reports

### Front Page: Introduction to the training

#### Brochure summary:

This brochure provides an overview of the objectives and content of the training for journalists on how to use EITI data, highlighting the importance of petroleum taxation for Cameroon's economy. It includes a detailed practical case to help journalists understand how to exploit data from EITI reports to inform the public debate [Requirement 7.1].

#### Training objective:

The training aims to enhance the capacity of journalists to use data from EITI (Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative) reports and shed light on public debate in Cameroon. The goal is to facilitate the use of detailed reports on extractive industries' transparency, alongside simplified summary forms, making the data more accessible to a wider audience.

#### Context and Justification:

Cameroon has been a member of the EITI since 2005 and publishes annual reports detailing payments made by extractive companies and revenues received by the state. These reports are crucial for ensuring transparent management of extractive resources.

### Inside Page: Training Content and Practical Case

#### Training Content:

##### 1. Introduction to EITI Reports:

- How to read and exploit EITI reports and summary data forms.
- Understanding the EITI 2023 Standard: Transparency of contracts, beneficial ownership, energy transition, resource mobilization, gender, environment, etc.

##### 2. Exploiting EITI Data:

- Using digital tools to analyze the data (Excel, Power BI).
- Q&A session to enhance understanding.

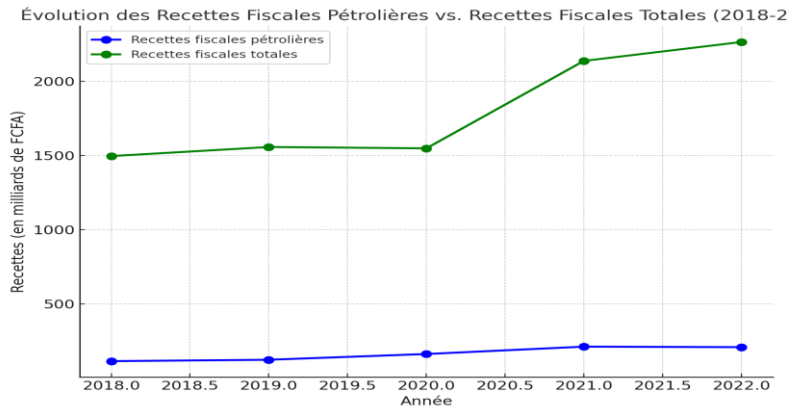
#### Practical Case: Evolution of Petroleum Taxation in Cameroon (2018-2022)

Between 2018 and 2022, EITI reports reveal the importance of petroleum taxation for Cameroon's economy. This sector generated a significant portion of the state's tax revenues, playing a crucial role in public financing.

- **2018:** Petroleum tax revenues reached 120 billion CFA, representing 22% of total fiscal revenues.
- **2019:** A significant increase to 145 billion CFA (24% of total fiscal revenues), due to improvements in collection processes.
- **2020:** The impact of the pandemic caused tax revenues to drop to 321 billion CFA, representing 60% of extractive revenues, despite the decline in oil prices.
- **2021:** A reduction to 139.3 billion CFA, impacted by falling hydrocarbon prices.

- **2022:** A strong recovery to 294.97 billion CFA (26.35% of total revenues), driven by significant growth in corporate petroleum tax.

### Graph illustrating the evolution of petroleum taxation:



### Year Petroleum Tax Revenues (CFA) % of Total Fiscal Revenues

2018	120 billion	22%
2019	145 billion	24%
2020	321 billion	60%
2021	139.3 billion	23.64%
2022	294.97 billion	26.35%

### Other Possible Analyses:

- Evolution of corporate petroleum taxes.
- Contribution of the extractive sector to the national economy.
- Comparison of cash and in-kind payments in the extractive sector.
- Petroleum production and exports.

## Back Page: Practical Tips and Article Submission

### Practical Tips for Journalists:

1. **Choose a Relevant Angle:**
  - Focus on a specific aspect of the EITI reports, such as transparency of contracts or the evolution of fiscal revenues.
2. **Analyze the Data:**
  - Use graphs and tables from the reports to support your analysis.
  - Compare the data with that of previous years or with similar situations in other countries.
3. **Contextualize the Data:**
  - Link the figures to the current economic and social issues in Cameroon.
4. **Objectivity in Analysis:**
  - Present a balanced analysis, highlighting both the strengths and the challenges.

### Article Submission Guidelines:

Articles must be submitted to the EITI Committee's email address: [secretariatitiecmr@gmail.com](mailto:secretariatitiecmr@gmail.com)

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