

5. Implementation of an ECOWAS Regional Internet Exchange Points

Project description and objectives

The project is to set up a regional internet exchange point (RIXP) where traffic between countries within the West Africa region can be exchanged by public peering.

The Project involves interconnection with IXPs within ECOWAS Member States in order to create a regional Hub for digital services. Among others, the main **project objectives** are to:

- **Ensure that internet traffic** which has source and destination within the West Africa region does not have to be routed through transit hubs of which most are located outside the region
- **Increase efficiency and improve quality of experience and reduce the cost of transit-to-transit hubs** located outside the region.

Project Image



Link: <https://pp2.au-pida.org/approved-project/entry/5qqd5/>

Project status

The project is in **Project Definition** stage (S1)

Financial needs

Project Cost Estimate : USD 0.3 Million

Key parties



Private sector opportunities

This is a small sum of money and service providers can provide the financing.