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### **IFAC Update**

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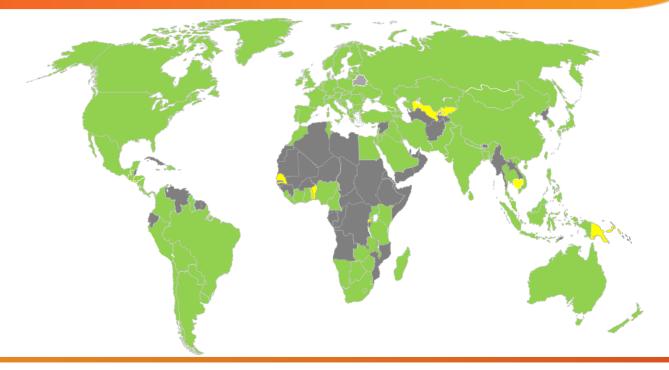
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#### **IFAC Overview**

Contribute to strong and sustainable organizations, financial markets, and economies





### **IFAC Operating Lines**

Develop and represent the profession; and enhance economic stability



- Quality and capacity
- Knowledge and support
- Speaking out
- Facilitating international standards



## Improve Quality and Capacity Support high-quality PAOs and strengthen the profession



- Member Body Compliance Program
- Professional Accountancy Organization (PAO)
   Development

## Support Accountants Worldwide Provide thought leadership, resources, and insights; enhance visibility and voice

- IFAC Global Knowledge Gateway
- PAIB and SMP Committees
- Regional training events





### **Speaking Out**

Leverage IFAC's position as an independent public interest voice for the profession



- Promote profession's interests
- Stimulate discussion
- Convene interested stakeholders



## Speaking Out Themes Represent the profession and the public interest

- Government transparency and accountability
- Enhancing organizational reporting
- Credibility and usability of financial reporting
- Accountants in civil society





## Support Standard Setting Facilitate the development of high-quality international standards



- Foster high-quality financial information
- Promote confidence in markets
- Enhance public resource management
- Facilitate regional and international economic integration





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