

EC/Ghana stepping stone Economic Partnership Agreement

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The European Parliament adopted, by 375 votes to 220 with 46 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the stepping stone Economic Partnership Agreement between Ghana, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part.

The European Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the Agreement.

As a reminder, this stepping stone Agreement **ensures a contractual safety net, warranting a duty-free access to the EU market** until the regional agreement comes into a fruition and it matches market access opportunities with provisions addressing technical barriers to trade.