

**Countries that Guarantee a Right of Access to Information  
in National/Federal Laws or Decrees + Dates of Adoption & Significant Amendments –  
121 countries as of October 2017, inc. 3 not recognized by the UN,**

**Africa (21)**

Angola 2002, 2006  
Burkina Faso 2015  
Cote d'Ivoire 2013  
Ethiopia 2008  
Guinea Conakry 2010  
Kenya, 2016  
Liberia 2010  
Malawi 2017  
Mozambique 2015  
^Niger 2011  
Nigeria 2011  
Rwanda 2013  
Sierra Leone 2013  
South Africa 2000  
Sudan 2015  
Sudan, South 2013  
Tanzania 2016  
Togo 2016  
Tunisia 2011, 2016  
Uganda 2005  
Zimbabwe 2002, 2007

**Latin America (16)**

Argentina 2003, 2016  
^Bolivia 2005  
Brazil 2011  
Chile 2008  
Colombia 1985, 2014  
Dominican Republic 2004  
Ecuador 2004  
El Salvador 2011  
Guatemala 2008  
Honduras 2006  
\*Mexico 2002, 2006, 2016  
Nicaragua 2007  
Panama 2002  
Paraguay 2014  
Peru 2002  
Uruguay 2008

**English America (9)**

Antigua & Barbuda 2004  
Bahamas 2017  
Belize 1994, 2000  
\*Canada 1983, 2001, 2016  
Guyana 2011  
Jamaica 2002

St. Vinc. & Grenadines 2003  
Trinidad & Tobago 1999  
\*USA 1966, 1976, 2009

**Asia & Pacific (21)**

Afghanistan 2014  
\*Australia 1982, '04, '09  
Bangladesh 2008, 2009  
^China 2007  
† Cook Islands 2008  
\*India 2005  
Indonesia 2008  
Japan 1999, 2003  
Korea, South 1996, 2004  
Maldives, 2014  
Mongolia, 2011  
New Zealand 1982, 2003  
Nepal 2007  
^Pakistan 2002  
Palau 2014  
^Philippines 2016  
Sri Lanka 2016  
†Taiwan 2005  
Thailand 1997  
^Timor-Leste 2016  
Vanuatu 2013  
Vietnam 2016

**Central Asia (4)**

Kazakhstan 2015  
Kyrgyz Republic 2006  
Tajikistan 2002  
Uzbekistan 2002

**European Union (26)±**

Austria 1987, 2005  
Belgium 1994, 2000  
Bulgaria 2000  
Croatia 2003, 2013  
Czech Republic 1999, 2006  
Denmark 1985, 2000  
Estonia 2000, 2009  
Finland 1951, 1999, 2009  
France 1978, 2005  
\*Germany 2005  
Greece 1986, 1999  
Hungary 1992, 2003  
Ireland 1997, 2003, 2005

Italy 1990, 1997, 2016  
Latvia 1998  
Lithuania 2000, 2005  
Malta 2009  
Netherlands 1978, 2005  
Poland 2001  
Romania 2001, 2007  
Portugal 1993, 1999  
Slovakia 2000, 2008  
Slovenia 2003, 2005  
Spain, 2013  
Sweden 1766, 1976  
\*United Kingdom 2000

**Europe: Non-EU (19)**

Albania 1999, 2014  
Armenia 2003  
Azerbaijan 2005  
\*Bosnia Herzegovina 2000  
Georgia 1998, 2001  
Iceland 1996, 2003  
†Kosovo 2003  
Liechtenstein 1999  
Macedonia 2006, 2008  
Moldova 2000, 2003  
^Monaco 2011  
Montenegro 2005  
Norway 1970, 2006  
Russia 2009  
San Marino  
Serbia 2003, 2007  
Switzerland 2004  
Turkey 2003  
Ukraine 1992, 2002, 2011

**Middle East (5)**

Iran, 2011  
Jordan 2007  
Israel 1998, 2009  
Lebanon 2017  
Yemen 2012

**Territories (sample) w/  
ATI laws & pops > 1 mil**

Hong Kong 1995  
Scotland 2002

† Country not formally recognized by the UN.

^Actionable ATI regulation rather than a law. \* Federal system: several states also have ATI laws.

±All except Cyprus and Luxembourg