

Her Excellency Cina Lawson

Minister of Digital Economy and Transformation of Togo

Cina Lawson is Togo's Minister of Digital Economy and Transformation. Drawing from over 20 years of experience and expertise in digital policy and regulation, she has led Togo's successful transition to an inclusive digital economy.

Lawson began her career at the World Bank in Washington, D.C, assisting governments in emerging markets in executing regulatory reforms. Then, worked for Alcatel-Lucent in Paris before joining Orange Group in New York City as Manager of Corporate Strategy and Business Development.

As a minister, she transformed the regulatory environment to boost innovation, competition, and private investments. Under her leadership, Togo's digital service penetration increased allowing a majority of the population now to have access to mobile telephony (from 33% in 2010 to 78% in 2021) to mobile internet (from 1% in 2010 to 74% in 2021), and to mobile money (from 1% in 2013 to 57% in 2021).

Lawson graduated from Sciences Po Paris and earned a Masters of Public Policy from the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government.