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In this article for *ESG Investor*, London Partner James Rogers explains why the UK's withdrawal from the Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) might not bring the benefits the UK government expects.

The piece provides insights into the nature of the ECT, its impact on the UK's energy sector, and the broader implications, including lessons learnt from the recent past. It warns against the precedent set by Spain, which faced investor backlash after revoking regulation that was favourable to renewable energy investments. This experience emphasises the important role which the ECT could have played in safeguarding climate change objectives. The UK's withdrawal might therefore deter international investment in the UK's renewable energy sector and risk UK investments abroad.

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