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## News release

## Ghana: Afrobarometer to launch 10<sup>th</sup> survey round with meeting of leaders including former Liberian President Sirleaf and partners from across the continent

Afrobarometer, a pan-African, nonpartisan survey research network that amplifies citizens' voices, is set to launch its 10<sup>th</sup> round of national surveys with a planning meeting featuring a high-powered guest list including former Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf as well as national partners from 40 African countries.

Sirleaf, a member of Afrobarometer's International Advisory Council, will join former Swedish Foreign Affairs Minister Margot Wallström, Peter Kellner, Riva Levinson, Frank Mwiti, and Afrobarometer board members as participants in the five-day gathering starting 15 May in Ada, Ghana.

The meeting will be geared toward designing Afrobarometer's upcoming Round 10 survey. Guided by the vision of a world in which Africa's development is anchored in the realities and aspirations of its people, Afrobarometer plans to survey about 40 African countries starting in late 2023, its 10th survey round since 1999.

A critical milestone in shaping the network's research agenda, the planning meeting will involve a series of plenary and working-group sessions to discuss and design survey instruments and methodologies, data quality assurance measures, and results dissemination strategies.

This first network-wide in-person meeting since before the COVID-19 pandemic will also provide an opportunity for Afrobarometer's core and national partners to share experiences and best practices in conducting survey research and using findings to inform current policy debates.

"Afrobarometer is unwavering in its commitment to promoting and enabling evidence-based policy making in Africa," Afrobarometer co-founder and Board Chair E. Gyimah-Boadi said. "The collaborative efforts and insights gathered during this meeting will be instrumental in guiding our future research endeavours."

"We are thrilled to convene such a distinguished group of individuals who share our vision for advancing democracy and good governance in Africa," said Afrobarometer CEO Joseph Asunka. "The Round 10 planning meeting sets the stage for impactful research that will provide invaluable insights into the aspirations and concerns of African citizens."

The executive director of the Ghana Center for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana), Henry Kwasi Prempeh, also emphasized the importance of the meeting, stating, "We are proud to host this important event and to contribute to the continued success of Afrobarometer's work in advancing democratic governance and development in Africa."

## **About Afrobarometer**

Afrobarometer (AB) is a trusted source of high-quality data and analysis on what Africans are thinking. With an unmatched track record of 350,000+ interviews in 41 countries, representing the views of about 75% of the African population, AB is leading the charge



to bridge the continent's data gap. AB data inform many global indices, such as the Ibrahim Index of African Governance, Transparency International's Global Corruption Barometer, and the World Bank's Worldwide Governance Indicators. The data are also used for country risk analyses and by credit rating and forecasting agencies such as the Economist Intelligence Unit. All AB data sets are publicly available on the website and may be analysed free of charge using AB's online data analysis tool.

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