**AB update**

*June 2023 highlights*

**In the field and around the network**
- Ethiopia completed Round 9 fieldwork, and data collection started in the last Round 9 country, Congo-Brazzaville.
- AB joined the Global Partnership for Anticorruption in Development, a coalition of development agencies, philanthropies, academics, and civil society organisations working for better governance and integrity.
- The network hosted a writing workshop for seven participants in its 2022 French-language summer school and a workshop on data analysis and use for 17 civil society representatives and 15 journalists from francophone Africa.
- AB launched an online basic data analysis course with more than 150 registrants, a prerequisite for participation in AB’s anglophone summer school planned for late this year.
- AB fellowships supported training at Vanderbilt University for three staff members.
- GIZ awarded AB a two-year grant to strengthen uptake of public attitude data for policy making in Africa.

**In the news**
A total of 1,342 media hits were recorded in June across various media outlets, including the Conversation, Nation, Al Jazeera, Financial Times, DNYUZ, El Pais, IOL, Zawya, AllAfrica, Modern Ghana, Guardian, Ghanaweb, Daily Maverick, News 24, Investing.com, ...

**On digital/social media**

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**Visibility**
- The AB-led Data for Governance Alliance conducted a webinar on “CSOs’ contribution to driving accountability in the fight against corruption,” in collaboration with the African Union Advisory Board Against Corruption.
- AB staff served as panelists on “From the people to policy actors: Centering African voices in policy making and advocacy,” at the African Evidence Summit hosted by the Center for Effective Global Action in Kenya.
- AB continued its weekly “Data” page in the Continent.

**Presentations:**
- On African citizens’ views and policy priorities, to Africa heads of mission, hosted by the U.S. State Department
- On “The paradox of democracy in the region: Demand for and supply of democracy,” for the Center for Global Development
- On data use for policy making, advocacy, research, and academic writing, in presentations to students and public colloquium participants, sponsored by Michigan
State University’s Alliance for African Partnership and hosted by United States International University-Africa

- On “The future Africans want,” at a GIZ-sponsored conference in Accra
- On AB R9 experience and R10 planning, at the Global Barometers business meeting

**Chart of the month**

**Should parents use physical force to discipline children? | Uganda | 2022**

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Respondents were asked: For each of the following actions, please tell me whether you think it can always be justified, sometimes be justified, or never be justified: For parents to use physical force to discipline their children?

**Publications**

- Working Paper 200: Border proximity and attitudes toward free movement in Africa
- Dispatch 661: Ghanaians support media’s watchdog role but are sceptical of news sources
- Dispatch 660: Most Zimbabweans want free media as watchdog over government
- Dispatch 659: Frappés par la pauvreté, les Malgaches ont une perspective pessimiste de la direction de leur pays
- Dispatch 658: Zimbabweans offer bleak outlook on the state of the economy
- Dispatch 657: In Seychelles, gender-based violence tops the list of women’s rights issues to be addressed
- Dispatch 656: Les écarts d’opinions entre hommes et femmes au Togo : Que retenir?
- Dispatch 655: Angolans reject government restrictions on information, say media should report freely
- Dispatch 654: Les Guinéens déplorent l’insécurité ainsi que les conduites brutes et inappropriées de leur police
- Dispatch 653: Terrorisme : Les Nigériens sont satisfaits de l’implication de leur armée et ne veulent pas de l’aide d’une armée étrangère
- Dispatch 652: Les Guinéens ont-ils des aspirations politiques contradictoires ?
- Dispatch 651: South Africans call on government to deliver solutions to corruption, poor services
- Dispatch 650: Séparation des pouvoirs entre président, Parlement et justice : Qui contrôle qui au Togo ?
- Dispatch 649: Batswana approve of government’s COVID-19 response, but think resources lost to corruption
- Dispatch 648: In Uganda, vulnerable children lack support at the community level, survey findings show

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