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News release

Afrobarometer reappoints Institute of Development Studies as core partner for East Africa

Afrobarometer is pleased to announce the reappointment of the Institute of Development Studies, University of Nairobi (IDS-UoN) as its core partner for East Africa, effective 1 July 2023.

The reappointment follows the successful completion of a competitive bidding process. As a core partner, IDS-UoN will continue to oversee Afrobarometer surveys and related activities in Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Uganda, Seychelles, Sudan, Tanzania, and Zambia. The institute will also provide support and strategic advice to facilitate country-level results dissemination and engagement activities and contribute to Afrobarometer's capacity building initiatives.

Founded in October 1965, IDS-UoN is a premier multi-disciplinary development research institute that conducts research on high-priority areas of socioeconomic development in Kenya and across Africa. The institute has been Afrobarometer's core partner for the East Africa region since 2004.

Joseph Asunka, CEO of Afrobarometer, is optimistic that IDS-UoN will make a concerted effort to increase Afrobarometer's profile and visibility in the region.

"On behalf of the board, management, and staff of Afrobarometer, I wish to congratulate the IDS-UoN team, and the entire University of Nairobi community, for demonstrating strong commitment, interest, and capacity to lead Afrobarometer surveys in the region," he said. "We look forward to continuing to work with IDS-UoN as part of the AB leadership team during the next phase of the project."

Karuti Kanyinga, director of research for IDS-UoN, affirmed the institute's full commitment to upholding the standards of excellence and professionalism associated with the core partner role.

"On behalf of IDS-UoN, I look forward to a fruitful collaboration with Afrobarometer," he said. "Together, we shall continue advancing social and political research in the region and beyond."

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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