AB update

October 2023 highlights

In the field and around the network

✓ As the launch of Round 10 surveys approaches, AB pursued dissemination of Round 9 findings and kicked off its Round 9 Pan-Africa Profiles series with an analysis of 39-country findings on climate change.
✓ The AB-led, EU-funded Data for Governance Alliance (D4GA) focused on unconstitutional changes of government at its third stakeholder convening. Participants from civil society and African Union organs gathered in Accra, Ghana, for training in support of the AU agenda for democracy, governance, and human rights.
✓ An AB communications team retreat (at right) in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, focused on new communications strategies to support national partners and to prepare the celebration of AB’s 25th anniversary in 2024.
✓ An AB delegation concluded an engagement in Addis Ababa with the Sida regional team (at right), the European Union delegation, and USAID, highlighting key findings from AB Round 9 surveys.

In the news

A total of 945 media hits were recorded in October across various media outlets, including the Daily Mail, Hindustan Times, Associated Press, Change.org, Al Jazeera, Financial Times, Investing.com, Economist, Independent Online, Scroll.in, GhanaWeb, Daily Maverick, Guardian, Nigerian Tribune, Head Topics, DNYUZ, Myjoyonline.com, America Magazine, allAfrica.com, …

On digital/social media

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Chart of the month

Limiting climate change | 39 countries | 2021/2023

Respondents who are aware of climate change were asked: For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: Ordinary citizens can play a role in limiting climate change. It is important for our government to take steps now to limit climate change in the future, even if it is expensive or causes some job losses or other harm to our economy.
Presentations

✓ On survey findings on COVID-19 and democratic trends, at the African Association of Political Science Biennial Conference (at right)
✓ On democratic trends in Africa, for the USAID Africa Team
✓ On AB as a tool for data-driven policy, advocacy, accountability, and decision making, hosted by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
✓ On “African perspectives on democratic governance and great-power competition,” to U.S. State Department staff
✓ On “Popular preference for democracy and accountable governance in Africa,” at the Forum 2000 Conference
✓ On “Voter views of the ANC and opposition parties and voter turnout,” hosted by the Foreign Policy Research Institute

Publications

✓ Policy Paper 89: Value for money? Perceived misuse of tax revenue, corruption, and unfairness erode support for broadening tax base in Uganda
✓ Dispatch 723: More needs to be done for women’s rights, Emaswati say
✓ Dispatch 722: Les Tunisiens sont divisés sur la discipline des enfants avec la force physique
✓ Dispatch 721: Emaswati approve of government’s COVID-19 response, recommend more investment in preparations for future health emergencies
✓ Dispatch 720: Face aux périls des changements climatiques, les Congolais appellent à plus d’efforts des différents protagonistes
✓ Dispatch 719: São Toméans demand greater government efforts for gender equality
✓ Dispatch 718: Pour les Malgaches, les citoyens et l’Etat doivent agir contre les changements climatiques
✓ Dispatch 717: With climate change making life worse, Africans expect governments and other stakeholders to step up
✓ Dispatch 716: Tanzanians praise government efforts on child welfare, oppose corporal punishment
✓ Dispatch 715: Amid growing insecurity, Nigerians fault police for corruption and lack of professionalism
✓ Dispatch 714: Décus de leur démocratie, les Gabonais affichent des attitudes mitigées sur l’intervention de l’armée
✓ Dispatch 713: Tanzanians say they enjoy freedoms, but support government restrictions
✓ Dispatch 712: Mauritians call for greater government efforts to protect the environment
✓ Dispatch 711: Au centre des priorités des jeunes sénégalais : La gestion de l’économie, l’insécurité et l’emploi
✓ Dispatch 710: Dissatisfaction, disengagement mark outlook of young Kenyans
✓ Dispatch 709: Nigerians look to government, private sector, developed countries for action to limit climate change

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