

# AB update

December 2023 highlights

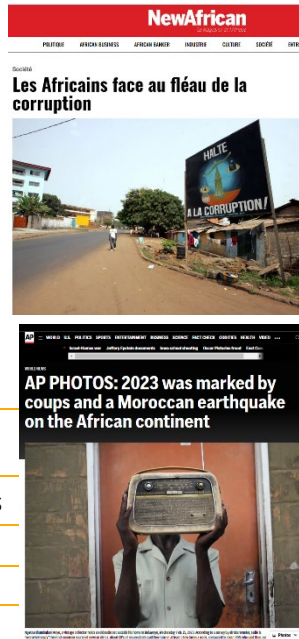


## In the field and around the network

- ✓ Training for Round 10 data collection has started, with Côte d'Ivoire and Uganda set to kick off fieldwork in January.
- ✓ The network continued dissemination of Round 9 survey findings, including Pan-Africa Profiles on corruption and gender equality.
- ✓ AB presented Africans' demand for urgent climate action to key stakeholders at the 2023 UN Climate Change Conference (COP28) in Dubai.
- ✓ The network conducted communications training for its anglophone and lusophone national partners.

## In the news

A total of **3,385 media hits** were recorded in December across various media outlets, including the AP, New African, New York Times, Forbes, Cape Town Etc., Premium Times, Economist, Africa Ports & Ships, World News, République Togolaise, MyJoyOnline, World Bank Blogs, Kenya Broadcasting Corp., Mail & Guardian, African Press Agency, Bloomberg, . . .



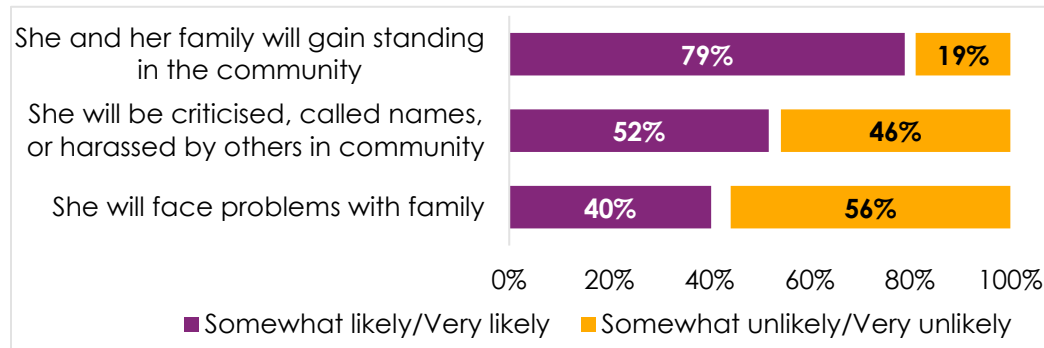
## On digital/social media

Website	19,807 users; 6,285 downloads
Online data analysis	1,926 user sessions
X (formerly Twitter)	32,708 followers
Facebook	16,681 fans
LinkedIn	6,665 followers

## Chart of the month

### How running for elective office might affect women's lives

| 39 countries | 2021/2023



**Respondents were asked:** If a woman in your community runs for elected office, how likely or unlikely is it that the following things might occur?

## Happy new year!

We wish our supporters and friends a **new year filled with joy, good health, and success**. Our heartfelt **thanks** for making 2023 a stand-out year for AB as we:

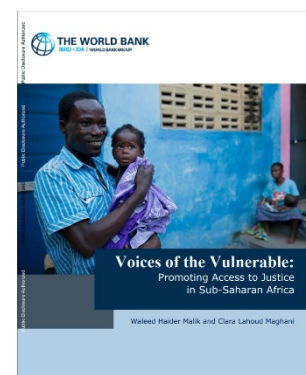
- Completed Round 9 (39 countries, including three first-time countries) and launched training for Round 10 data collection.
- Disseminated survey findings via 182 papers (including eight Pan-Africa Profiles), more than 120 news releases, country scorecards on child well-being and climate change, regular posts in the Continent, and other outlets.
- Trained researchers, civil society representatives, and journalists in data collection, analysis, and communication in summer school and workshops.
- Shared AB findings in high-level briefings in Africa, the United States, and Europe.
- Secured high visibility and strong partnerships that will keep us moving forward!

## Publications

- ✓ Dispatch 754: For the first time in a decade, Kenyans see management of the economy as their most important problem
- ✓ Dispatch 753: Les Mauritanien n'adhèrent pas au principe de l'égalité des genres dans l'emploi et le foncier
- ✓ Dispatch 752: South Africans praise government's COVID-19 response but express concern over corruption, find pandemic assistance lacking
- ✓ Dispatch 751: Les Nigériens considèrent que la violence conjugale est une affaire privée
- ✓ Dispatch 750: Mali : Perception populaire des performances du gouvernement dans l'atteinte des ODD
- ✓ Dispatch 749 (Pan-Africa Profile): Africans back gender equality, but gaps persist: Governments urged to do more
- ✓ Dispatch 748: South Africans dissatisfied with government performance on child well-being
- ✓ Dispatch 747: Identité nationale vs. identité ethnique : Que disent les Togolais ?
- ✓ Dispatch 746: Les Béninois s'attendent à plus d'actions climatiques de la part des différents acteurs
- ✓ Dispatch 745: Health, water, and education top problems Ugandan youth want government to address
- ✓ Dispatch 744: Young Zimbabweans see their government as falling short on employment and the economy
- ✓ Dispatch 743 (Pan-Africa Profile): Amid rising corruption, most Africans say they risk retaliation if they speak up
- ✓ Dispatch 742: As climate change worsens life in Gambia, citizens want collective action to fight it

## Visibility

- ✓ The World Bank highlights AB data in its recent report on "Voices of the vulnerable: Promoting access to justice in sub-Saharan Africa."
- ✓ AB data are featured in "Jobs! Electricity shortages and unemployment in Africa, by Justice Tei Mensah of the World Bank's Office of the Chief Economist, Africa Region, in the *Journal of Development Economics*.



### **Presentations:**

- ✓ On Africans' views on democratic governance and intervention by regional bodies, at the Ford Foundation Democracy Futures Seminar in New York
- ✓ On Africans' shifting policy priorities and evaluations of government performance, for a World Bank webinar
- ✓ On "The power of partnership: 40 years of working for democracy, making democracy work," for a panel discussion at the National Democratic Institute's 40<sup>th</sup>-anniversary gala
- ✓ On climate change, for a panel discussion at the Consumers International Global Congress in Nairobi
- ✓ On "Mapping state capacity," for a UN Office of the Special Adviser on Africa academic conference

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