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


On digital/social media

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Chart of the month

How running for elective office might affect women’s lives
| 39 countries | 2021/2023 |

She and her family will gain standing in the community
- Somewhat likely/Very likely: 79%
- Somewhat unlikely/Very unlikely: 19%

She will be criticised, called names, or harassed by others in community
- Somewhat likely/Very likely: 52%
- Somewhat unlikely/Very unlikely: 46%

She will face problems with family
- Somewhat likely/Very likely: 40%
- Somewhat unlikely/Very unlikely: 56%

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 Mauritanians 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.”

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 40th-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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