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✓ Once upon a time in the Soviet Union, there was a small and very corrupt country...

Estonia- Control of corruption evolution



Estonia

Estonia – The good governance reward-GDP EVOLUTION



Corruption subverts merit system and thus innovation and growth

Brain-drain and Control of Corruption





Figure 4.1. Predicted Control of Corruption Scores Based on the Modernization Model

The ANTICORRP answer to the challenge

- Corruption defined a macro level (country, sector) as
- 2. PARTICULARISM deviation from the norm of social allocation (as defined in law, rules, and modern principles of impersonality, impartiality and equality) <u>resulting in</u> <u>undue benefit from public</u> <u>resources for individual or</u> <u>group to the detriment of</u> <u>other taxpayers</u>
- Method- monitoring, data mining on whole universe of govt transactions, not just samples
- Diagnosis- focus on outomes of social allocationhow many transactions are particularistic?
- Treatment- Focus on who succeedeed and why
- Big data
- Cross-cutting databases, methods
- Objective and evidence based

What we seek: a new generation of corruption ACTIONABLE indicators

- First generation (expert surveys, polls)
- Comparable across countries: CPI, CoC, ICRG, etc
- Second generation:
- I. Sensitivity to change (longitudinal)
- Sensitivity to policy intervention (longitudinal plus)
- 3. No longer based on perception
- 4. Prescriptive- from indicator clear path to solution

Does Europeanization change governance? Not at first generation



Country's Percentile Rank (0-100)

Source: Kaufmann D., A. Kraay, and M. Mastruzzi (2010), The Worldwide Governance Indicators: Methodology and Analytical Issues

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Current....



Control of Corruption (2011)

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Second generation: jury still out Central Europe and the Balkans: changes 1996-2011



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Inferring on national corruption, however Problems with data

- Experts might be biased and their criteria not always transparent
- -Respondents have uneven experiences
- Large areas not covered by anybody and far from public eye
- -Representativeness of respondents is not representativeness of govt transactions

Our strategy- establish the rule of the game in public goods allocation



DATA MINING Public works contracting after EU accession Gross profit rate Romanian 'networked' versus foreign companies





DATA MINING. Govt transfers allocation. Evolution of the government reserve fund for natural disasters 2002-2010



	2004	2008	2010
	(SDP)	(Liberals)	(Democrat Liberals)
Share of funds for main govt party %	49	45	62
Share of vote in local elections of govt party %	36	16	29

Procurement data- DATA MINING Fazekas and all - 2 indicators principal component CRI

Change in market shares of large companies (EU funded construction, 2009-2012)



Source: MaKAB, Note: market share=total value of contracts won / total value of contracts won in EU funded construction in time t

Surveys – Quality of Govt

Region	Answer	Al citizens are treated equally	Paid a bribe
	Yes	64%	2%
Northarn Europa	No	35%	98%
Northern Europe	Don't know / No answer	1%	0%
	Total		
	Yes	58%	7%
Mediterranean	No	42%	93%
Europe	Don't know / No answer	0%	0%
	Total		
	Yes	47%	13%
New EU Members	No	52%	87%
(2004-2013)	Don't know / No answer	1%	0%
	Total		
	Yes	53%	10%
Non EU	No	47%	90%
	Don't know / No answer	0%	0%
	Total		

Importance granted to favoritism by respondents perceiving high corruption



Testing policies



Control of corruption is broader than anticorruption !

- Factor Group I- Opportunity /resources- size of PUBLIC resources which can be spoiled (jobs, tax money, assets such as natural resources...), increases with scope of state
- Factor Group 2- Deterrent/ constraints to power discretion by society
 - Political AND social pluralism social capacity of collective action
 - (Constraints/deterrents)

Equilibrium theory

Modernity goodness of fit

(urbanization, life expectancy, education, cohesiveness, personal autonomy, etc.)



Opportunities- Red tape Ease of doing business



Opportunities- transparency: Online availability of 20 basic public services



Constraints: Freedom of the press



Constraints: critical citizens



Constraints: Civil society



Corruption risk in the EU

		Орр	ortunities	
		Low		High
		Austria	Ireland	Cyprus
		Belgium	Luxembourg	Estonia
N.	Llich	Denmark	Malta	Hungary
in i	LIISU	Finland	Netherlands	Lithuania
t d		France	Sweden	
nst		Germany	UK	
Ů			Italy	Bulgaria
		Portugal		Czech R
		Slovakia		Greece
	LOW	Slovenia		Latvia
		Spain		Poland
				Romania

EU- 28 by strength of public integrity framework

Countral	Public	Admin	Trade	Audit	Judicial	Online	Facebook	
Country	Integrity	Burden	Openness	Standard	Independence	Service	Гасероок	
Sweden	10.00	8	10	9	9	8	9	
 Netherlands	9.85	7	7	10	10	10	8	
United								
Kingdom	9.78	7	9	9	8	10	9	
Denmark	9.69	10	9	6	8	9	10	
Finland	9.63	9	6	10	10	9	7	
Estonia	8.76	10	9	7	7	8	6	
France	8.55	9	10	6	6	9	6	
Belgium	8.51	10	8	8	7	5	8	
Luxembourg	8.04	6	7	9	8	6	7	
Ireland	7.57	9	10	3	9	2	8	
Germany	7.00	4	8	7	9	7	2	
Austria	6.58	3	8	8	7	7	2	
Cyprus	6.33	5	5	7	6	3	9	
Malta	6.16	2	4	8	6	4	10	
Portugal	5.85	8	5	4	4	5	7	
Spain	5.26	2	7	3	5	8	4	
Hungary	4.84	7	I	5	3	6	6	
Lithuania	4.57	5	6	5	2	6	2	
Slovenia	4.46	8	2	3	3	6	4	
Latvia	4.01	6	4	4	4	4	I	
Italy	3.93	5	5	I	4	3	5	
Poland	3.53	2	4	6	5	2	I	
Slovak								
Republic	2.46	4	3	2	I	I	5	
Czech Republic	2.42	I	2	4	3	2	3	
 Greece	2.34	3	2	2	2	3	3	
Bulgaria	2.33	3	3	2	2	<u> </u>	4	
Croatia	2.08	4				4	3	

Reduce Opportunity

Natural Resources	Private management with public share of proceeds established by broad consultation; transparent spending	Public report on spending revenues from natural resources	Botswana (EITI)
Ethnic Fractionalization	Cross-ethnic national public institutions based on proportionality	Equal access indicators for schooling and other cultural activities in different languages	Switzerland
	 Reduce red tape and enforce equal treatment 	· Ease of doing business; indicators of equal treatment	Georgia
Administrative Discretion	 Ombudsman also auditor and controller 	 Cases solved administratively/cases solved through prosecution 	Chile
	 Make resources transparent through e-government 	· E-services as percentage of total public services	Estonia
Public Spending	Public spending concentrated on areas such as health, education, research, and innovation, with infrastructure funded mostly through private-public partnerships (FDI)	Existence of e-portal for tracking expenses from national and local government procurement	Uruguay
Formalization	Tax simplification; tax collection also by private agents; e-payments facilitation	Time spent filing taxes; percentage increase in annual collection rate	Uruguay

Increase Constraints

Judicial Ind.	Tenure, appointment, and sanctioning of magistrates entrusted to magistrates' bodies only with validation	•World Economic Forum judiciary independence measurement (perception of businessmen)	Chile, Botswana, & Taiwan
	by 2/3/ds of upper chamber	government	
Civil Society	Ease of registering; "sunshine" laws for public consultations; civil society component in every donor program; conditions on participatory budgeting; auditing or evaluations	Number of NGOs; percentage of public consultations on total new legal drafts or policies; existence of and traffic on watchdog websites; number of Facebook users	Estonia
Media Freedom	media antitrust or cartel legislation; international conditionality related to media freedom	Media sustainability indicators; news readership/audience	Estonia
Empowered Citizens	IT investment in education and training for educators; internet freedom	Internet connections per household; Facebook users per country; percentage of citizens	South Korea & Estonia

What to do: reduce resources and opportunities

- Cut red tape to reduce administrative discretion (time to import, export, pay taxes and so on)
- Streamline regulation to reduce informality
- Increase electronic access to all public services and foster more Internet access, usage
- Increase transparency, especially fiscal transparency (online expense tracking systems become fast best practice)
- Far more transparency needed for EU funds
- Publish all affiliations, relations (lobby registers) accounts of officials to prevent conflict of interest, fiscal evasion and corruption

Cyprus
Estonia
Hungary
Lithuania
Bulgaria
Czech
Republic
Greece
Latvia
Poland
Italy
Romania

What to do: Increase constraints, but not just legal constraints

Italy	
Portugal	
Slovakia	
Slovenia	
Spain	
Bulgaria	
Czech Republic	
Greece	
Latvia	
Poland	
Romania	

- Protect media from capture (transparency of ownership, govt advertising)
- Protect and encourage civil society and Internet media watchdogs
- Adopt social accountability designs to protect EU funds (involve local stakeholders and consumers in the planning and monitoring of EU funds)
- Develop judicial <u>capacity</u>
- Develop further <u>audit and monitoring</u> <u>capacity</u>

What does not work and should not be expected to in the medium term

- Uniformity: Control of corruption in Europe is achieved in a variety of ways and we should not aim for institutional uniformity
- Silver bullets: Countries which have adopted Judicial Councils, anticorruption agencies, restrictive party financing have not progressed more as yet
- Judicial anticorruption where rule of law is weak
- Unenforced legislation; current huge implementation Gap (between legislation and practice) has gone thru the roof in Bulgaria, Romania, Macedonia, Serbia and Kosovo – Global Integrity Report (30-60%) – enforcement rather than new legislation is needed, monitoring, etc

Political economy approach

- Situation A. You have losers from corruption, of which some are autonomous enough to take some action / they are the principals and any strategy should be grounded their level
- Situation B. You have losers, but not autonomous enough for action; you do no AC, but develop them into a group capable of inflicting some normative constraints in the future (civil society development)
- Situation C. No significant domestic losers exist. Forget about AC except as an approach to aid distribution

- When to do something? - And who should do something? In search of a principal... - The 'who' before the 'what'

If we still have time

Some consequences of corruption

Public integrity index – composition Method- Principal component, forthcoming



Public integrity index - Method-

- Each indicator is tested for validity in a simple OLS regression with WGI Control of Corruption (and other measures of corruption) as dependent variable and HDI as a control (all data for 2012), over 40 indicators tested to arive at final 6
- A standardized (equal means and standard deviations) index is built out of each indicator and then rescaled into a categorical variable to be ranged between 1 and 10
- Principal component analysis is run on these final indices to retrieve the common factor(s)
- The first principal component is our corruption risk measure It explains around 60 % of the variation in the data
- This measure is again normalized to be ranged between I and I0