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THE ROLE OF THE CHURCH IN THE GLOBAL FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION

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What are we talking about?

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Three "Myths" About Corruption

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Corruption is only about bribery and public officials

Corruption is only about illegal and rule breaking behavior

Myth 1

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He must rent extra garage space nearby for his **luxury car collection** including 7 Ferraris, 5 Bentleys, 4 Rolls-Royces, 2 Lamborghinis, 2 Porsches, 2 Maybachs, and an Aston Martin



He also owns a \$38 million Gulfstream V Teodoro Nguema Obiang Mangue

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Corruption is only about bribery and public officials

"The Good Lawyer Knows the Law"

"The Great Lawyer Knows the Judge"

Figure 4: How important are personal contacts? Average percentage from the 107 countries surveyed

In your dealings with the public sector, how important are personal contacts and/or relationships to get things done?





Nepotism at Schools in Armenia: A Cultural Perspective

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Varsenik Khachatryan

Armenian Teacher:

"One of my students is a child of a fellow teacher. She is a good student, but she is not good enough to get high enough grades. However, since she is the child of a colleague, all of my fellow teachers were giving her better grades than she deserves. I did the same. I didn't want to put my good relationship with colleagues at risk." **Institutional culture and** norm where personal relationships are prioritized over merit and integrity



Corruption is only about illegal or rule-breaking behavior

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NPR: As usual, northern Europe, America, Australia are the cleanest, while the most corrupt countries are in the developing world and the former Soviet Union. Can we in the rich countries relax? Are we really so clean?

TI: Not at all. The countries who perform well in our corruption perceptions index still have grave problems to do with what we call 'legalized corruption,' with the kinds of corruption that aren' t so visible that don' t involve petty bribery, bribing the police or bribing to get healthcare, but involve collusion, conflicts of interest and revolving doors between the public sector and the private sector.

Legal Corruption' Plagues Germany, U.S. And Other Rich Countries

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Measuring Illegal and Legal Corruption in American States: Some Results from the Edmond J.

Safra Center for Ethics Corruption in America Survey

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Legal Corruption:

"the political gains in the form of campaign contributions or endorsements by a government official, in exchange for providing specific benefits to private individuals or groups, be it by explicit or implicit understanding" (Dincer and Johnston, 2015) "Are all dinner menus here the same?" - asked a key aide to Menem, the Argentinian president during the nineties, to the chef at the presidential residence.

"The menus change, the presidents change. What never changes is the dinner guests" - retorted the chef, referring to the cadre of businessmen who frequented the residence.

Figure 5: Undue influence of government Average percentage from the 107 countries surveyed

To what extent is this country's government run by a few big interests looking out for themselves?



What are the Consequences?

Corruption Impacts...

Economic Growth

Gender

Poverty/Inequality

Democracy

Human Rights

Environment

Conflict

Corruption Impacts Economic Growth

Discouraging investment and aid

 Adding unpredictability in the business environment

Distorting economic policies

Corruption Impacts Poverty/ Inequality

 Undermines efforts to achieve poverty alleviation

 Increasing the cost of public services and lowering their quality

Worsening income and other inequalities
Let's see some examples...

 Corruption results in overinvestment in public infrastructure

This means that there will be more investment in...

"White Elephant Projects"



And under-investment in....

Basic Services (i.e. education)



Corruption also results in lower quality of infrastructure services...

It could be minor (roads in bad conditions)...



It could be major (collapse of buildings in earthquake)...







Corruption kills

Nicholas Ambraseys & Roger Bilham

Affiliations

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Nature 469, 153–155 (13 January 2011) | doi:10.1038/469153a
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On the anniversary of Haiti's devastating quake, Nicholas Ambraseys and Roger Bilham calculate that 83% of all deaths from building collapse in earthquakes over the past 30 years occurred in countries that are anomalously corrupt.

Corruption Impacts Democracy

- Distorting the rule of law and weakening moral values
- Undermining government legitimacy by reducing public trust in government
 Weakening institutional foundations by

worsening accountability

Corruption Impacts Human Rights

Perpetuating discrimination
Denying rights to social services

Corruption Impacts Gender

Increasing sexual extortions
 Affecting women disproportionally in access to essential public services

Corruption Impacts the Environment

 Worsening environmental governance and reducing the stringency of environmental regulations

Corruption Impacts Conflict

 Fueling war when, in the absence of a political regime, certain social groups are favored in the allocation of resources, thus fuelling grievances among marginalized groups

Corruption Destroys!!!

Latin "Corruptio" and "Corrumpere" = "DESTRUCTION" "TO DESTROY"

How is corruption affecting your community, society, country?

Thank you