# GLOBAL CORRUPTION INDEX 2019

# Measure of risks For 199 countries

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In order to provide compliance officers with the appropriate tools, Global Risk Profile has developed a unique measure of worldwide corruption.

The Global Corruption Index (GCI) allows the identification and classification of a party's risk exposure depending on its geographical localization, in compliance with current legal requirements such as the French law "Sapin II". The GCI is based on 28 open source datasets that exclusively originate from internationally recognized entities.

With the objective to allow users to evaluate and compare country results between them, data were standardized and aggregated to a 0-100 scale, where 0 corresponds to the lowest risk and 100 corresponds to the highest risk.

Encompassing as much as 199 countries and territories, the Global Corruption Index stands out for its global approach. Its results display the risk exposure deriving from both the public and private sectors. The GCI also includes issues related to white collar crimes, and more specifically to money-laundering and terrorism financing.

Dynamic and functional, the Global Corruption Index can be adjusted depending on the specific issues or challenges faced by anti-fraud professionals. A flexible and easy to adapt weighting is provided, allowing a focus on more sensitive indicators.

As corruption can't be directly estimated, it is a challenging dimension to measure. In this regards, the GCI relies on various methods for collecting data reflecting the variety of ways available to estimate corruption, to further the objective of providing our clients with estimates as close as possible to real values. These methods notably include both soft data obtained through surveys (of perception, of experience) and hard data collected at the state or supranational level.

6 indicators are considered to calculate the GCI, 4 focused on corruption and the last 2 on white collar crimes:

- 1. The ratification status of key conventions (OECD, UN)
- 2. The level of perceived public corruption (Transparency International's Corruption Index, World Bank data, World Justice Project Organisation data)
- 3. The reported experience of public and private corruption (Transparency International's Global Corruption Barometer, World Bank's Enterprise Survey)
- 4. A selection of country characteristics closely linked to corruption
- 5. Membership to FATF and / or related bodies
- 6. Money laundering and terrorism financing

Country characteristics are meant to capture prevention mechanisms, related effects, causal effects and consequential effects, with the objective of unearthing latent corruption information. This indicator is divided into 4 groups of data:

- Citizen's voice and Transparency
- Government Functioning and Effectiveness
- Judicial Context
- Political Context

Evaluates 99 countries based on 28 carefully selected datasets that exclusively originate from 9 internationally recognized entities :

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- The UN
  The OECD
- The World Bank
- The FATF
- Transparency International
- The World Justice Project Organisation
- The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU)
- The Basel Institute on Governance
- The International Budget Partnership (IBP)

#### Low Risk

High Risk

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Our measure considers 6 different indicators grouped together in order to expose the hidden level of corruption for each country considered:

- Ratification Status of Key Conventions
- Corruption Perception
- Corruption Experience
- Country Characteristics
- Membership to FATF and / or related bodies
- Money laundering and terrorism financing

## **Ranking Overview**

#### Where are your partners located ?

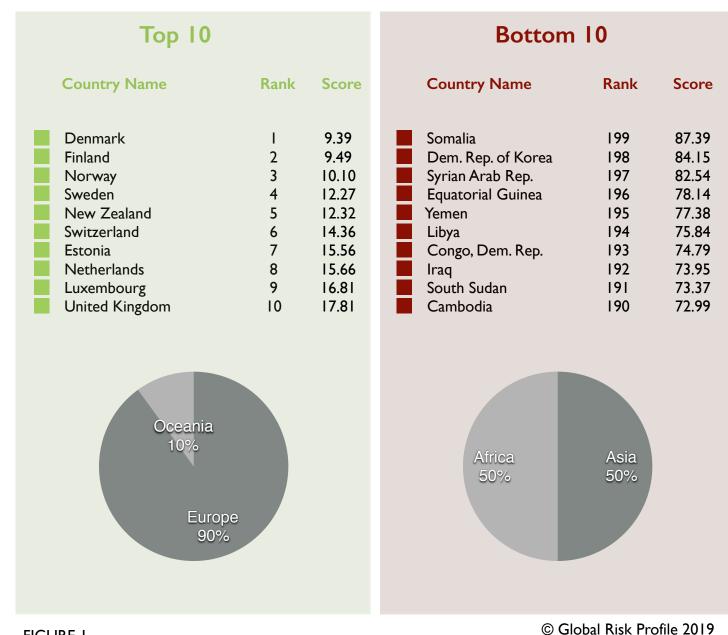


FIGURE I Regional Trends



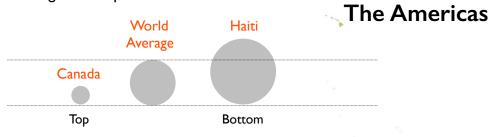
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# **Regional Contrasts Top and Bottom Scores**

North America

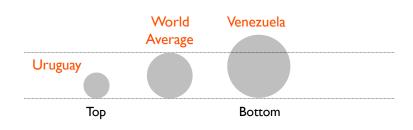
Analysis of top and bottom scores indicate that 7 North American countries out of 26 lie within the first quartile (top 25%) of the Corruption Index and two countries (Nicaragua and Haiti) appear among the 25% less performing.

#### Regional H-spread: 54 ranks



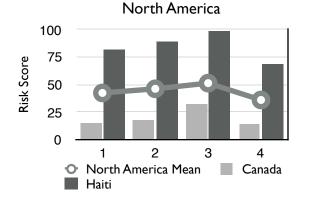
South America Among the 12 countries considered in South America, two countries, Uruguay and Chile, appear in the Top 25% of the Corruption Index while only one (Venezuela) figures in the bottom 25%.

Regional H-spread: 48 ranks

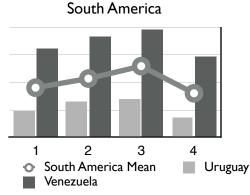


#### FIGURE 2 **Country Characteristics**

I: Citizen's Voice and Transparency 2: Government Functioning and Effectiveness







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The European continent presents the best regional performance with 64% of its countries ranked among the top 25%. Only one country out of 45 appear in the bottom 25%, namely Ukraine.

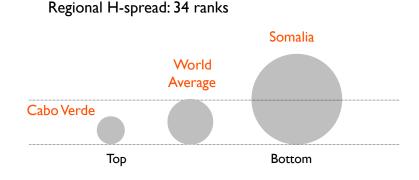
Europe

Regional H-spread: 36 ranks Vorld Average Denmark Top Bottom

The first quartile includes 2 African countries: Mauritius and Cabo Verde. More than half of all African countries, however, are ranked in the bottom 25% of

the index. This concerns 31 countries out of 54 including Somalia, which bears

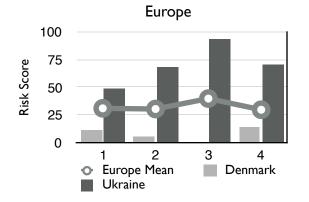
the index. This concerns 31 countries the world's highest corruption risk.



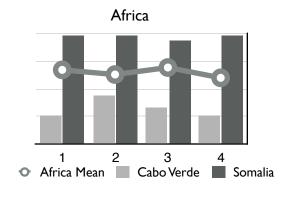
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#### 3: Judicial Context 4: Political Context



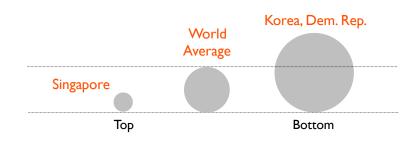
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9 out of 46 Asian countries rank among the top 25% and 17 among the bottom 25%.

Asia

Oceania

Asia presents the highest dispersion between the list and 3rd quartiles, with a regional H-spread of 56 ranks.



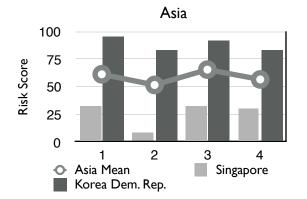
Oceania comprises 16 countries. New Zealand and Australia are the countries listed in the top 25%, and no country figures as extremely risky in terms of corruption (bottom 25%).

Regional H-spread: 40 ranks

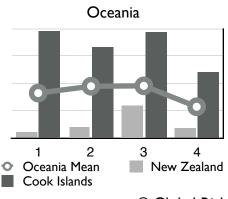


#### FIGURE 4 Country Characteristics

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Asia and Oceania

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