Is the World Bank Financing Bad Governance in Developing Countries?

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In developing countries with high level of corruption, governance become worst when they receive grants from the World Bank.

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# The data are imported bellow. The first one have data about grants fom the World. The second have the
grants<-read.csv("https://finances.worldbank.org/api/views/34vv-5t6y/rows.csv?accessType=DOWNLOAD&bom=t
sheetName="GovernmentEffectiveness"
corrup<-read.xlsx("wgidataset.xlsx",sheetName ="GovernmentEffectiveness" ) #"Control of Corruption" Sourc</pre>
grant<-data.frame(grants$Country,grants$Region,grants$Original.Principal.Amount,grants$Agreement.Signin
colnames(grant)<-c("Country", "Region", "Amount", "SignedDate")</pre>
# Function to convert date to Year only
dateY<-function(x,formatDate){</pre>
  d=as.Date(x,format = formatDate)
  new_d=as.numeric(format(d,"%Y"))
  return(new_d)
}
\# Creating a column for the year of signed agreements between the World Bank and the beneficiaries of g
grant['Year']=dateY(grant$SignedDate,format="%m/%d/%Y")
str(grant)
                      # shows that the variable Amount is a factor. It should be numeric.
                    957 obs. of 5 variables:
              : Factor w/ 76 levels "Afghanistan",..: 71 49 31 10 18 1 1 1 1 18 ...
## $ Country
                : Factor w/ 6 levels "AFRICA", "EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC", ...: 1 1 4 1 1 6 6 6 6 1 ...
## $ Region
                : Factor w/ 291 levels "1,000,000.00",...: 264 62 173 241 209 10 163 53 186 190 ...
## $ SignedDate: Factor w/ 679 levels "","01/04/2011",..: 157 669 640 672 448 137 260 260 260 453 ...
                : num 1998 1998 2000 2000 2001 ...
## $ Year
grant$Amount=as.numeric(grant$Amount) # converting the variable "Amount" as numeric
# Calculate total of grant, by country, by year
grant2<-grant%>%
  group_by(Country,Region,Year)%>%
    summarize(Total=sum(Amount))
head(grant2,4)
                                  # Viewing the first four rows of the data frame 'grant2'
## # A tibble: 4 x 4
## # Groups:
               Country, Region [1]
    Country
                 Region
                             Year Total
     <fct>
                 <fct>
                            <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Afghanistan SOUTH ASIA 2002
                                    412
## 2 Afghanistan SOUTH ASIA 2003
                                    574
## 3 Afghanistan SOUTH ASIA 2004
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## 4 Afghanistan SOUTH ASIA 2005
# The variable is control of corruption. Then high value is better
colnames(corrup)<-t(corrup[12,]) # Add names of columns, available in line 12.
corrup2<-corrup[13:226,]
                                # Selecting data starting on row 12. The rows above 12 do not contain
# Selecting only the estimate's columns and the country name column. They provide the index data. The o
corrup3=data.frame(corrup2$`Country/Territory`)
for(i in 1:dim(corrup2)[2]){
  if(colnames(corrup2[i])=="Estimate"){
    corrup3[as.character(i)]=corrup2[,i]
}
# Names the columns of the new data frame with the years
Year<-unique(c(t(corrup[11,])))[-1]</pre>
Year
## [1] "1996" "1998" "2000" "2002" "2003" "2004" "2005" "2006" "2007" "2008"
## [11] "2009" "2010" "2011" "2012" "2013" "2014" "2015" "2016" "2017" "2018"
colnames(corrup3)<-c("Country", Year)</pre>
# Selecting data from year 2002
year < -seq(2002, 2015, 1)
corrup3<-corrup3[,c("Country",year)]</pre>
####### Select in corrup only countries that receive grants #####
corrupT<-t(corrup3)</pre>
                                   # Transpose the dataframe to have the countries name in columns
                                   # Change default name to countries name which are in row 1.
colnames(corrupT)<-t(corrupT[1,])</pre>
                                   # Remove the first row that contains the countries names
corrupT<-corrupT[-1,]</pre>
unq<-function(x){
                                   # Function that returning a vector of unique values separated by co
  y=NULL
  for(i in 1:length(x)){
   if(!x[i] %in% y){
     y=c(y,x[i])
  }
 return(y)
}
grant_countries<-unique(as.character(grant2$Country)) # Names of countries that receive grants from 200
####### Correct difference in countries names spelling, between the dataframe ###########
for(i in 1:length(grant_countries)){ # Identify difference in countries names in the two data frame
if(!grant_countries[i] %in% colnames(corrupT)){
    cog=c(cog,grant_countries[i])
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# Data frame that contains names spelling that are differents
CoSpell<-data.frame(corName=c("Central African Republic", "Congo, Dem. Rep.", "Congo, Rep.", "Lao PDR", "M
       grantName=c("Central Africa", "Congo, Democratic Republic of", "Congo, Republic of", "Lao People"
for(i in 1:dim(CoSpell)[1]){ # Correct the names in the data frame of control for corruption
 cf=gsub(CoSpell$corName[i],CoSpell$grantName[i],colnames(corrupT))
colnames(corrupT)<-cf</pre>
                          # add corrected names as column names of the data frame of control for corr
# Identify countries names that appear in both data frame
co=NULL
for(i in 1:length(grant_countries)){
if(grant_countries[i] %in% colnames(corrupT)){
   co=c(co,grant_countries[i])
}
corrupFi <- corrupT[,co]; dim(corrupFi) # This data frame (corrupFi) has 62 countries found in grant2
## [1] 14 62
corrupFinal<-data.frame(newcol = c(t(corrupFi)), stringsAsFactors=FALSE) # Create a data frame of one c
###### continue below
corrupFinal["Year"] <-rep(year,dim(corrupFinal)[2]) # Adding the column of the year to the new data fr
                      # This function should repeat each element of a vector n times
rep2<-function(x,n){
 y=NULL
 for(i in 1:length(x)){
   y=c(y,rep(x[i],n))
 return(y)
}
corrupFinal["Country"] <-rep2(co,length(year)); dim(corrupFinal) # Data frame with index of control for c
## [1] 868
# Data frame of grants with only country found in the data frame 'corrupFinal'. However, data are not a
Grant<-grant2 %>%
 filter(Country %in% co)
dim(Grant)
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## [1] 352
# Merging data frame 'Grant' and 'corrupFinal' where country name and year are the same
DatFinal<-inner_join(Grant, corrupFinal, by = NULL, copy = FALSE, suffix = c(".grant", ".corrup") )
## Joining, by = c("Country", "Year")
## Warning: Column `Country` joining factor and character vector, coercing
## into character vector
colnames(DatFinal)<-c(colnames(DatFinal)[1:3], "Grant", "Control")</pre>
str(DatFinal)
## Classes 'grouped_df', 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame': 347 obs. of 5 variables:
  $ Country: chr "Afghanistan" "Afghanistan" "Afghanistan" ...
## $ Region : Factor w/ 6 levels "AFRICA", "EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC",..: 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 ...
           : num 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 ...
## $ Year
## $ Grant : num 412 574 457 915 760 ...
## $ Control: chr "-1.56797313690186" "-1.23885667324066" "-0.688740909099579" "-0.367727726697922" .
   - attr(*, "groups")=Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame':
                                                                  61 obs. of 3 variables:
    ... Country: chr "Afghanistan" "Angola" "Bangladesh" "Benin" ...
##
    ..$ Region : Factor w/ 6 levels "AFRICA", "EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC",...: 6 1 6 1 6 1 1 2 1 1 ...
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##
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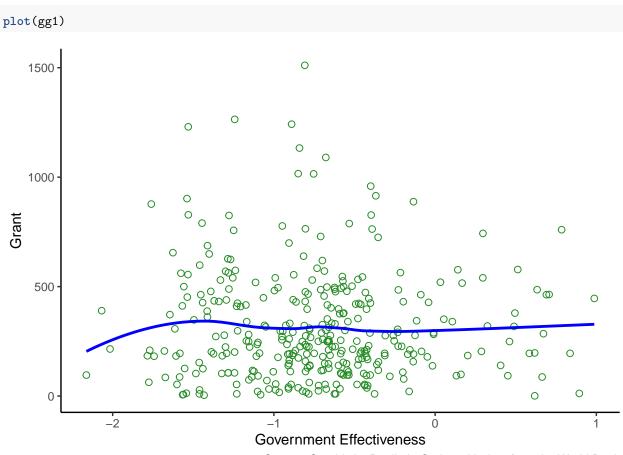
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     ..- attr(*, ".drop")= logi TRUE
##
DatFinal <- within(DatFinal, {</pre>
                                      # Changing type of some variable in 'DatFinal'
                                      # Convert 'Country' to factor
   Country <- factor(Country)</pre>
   Control<-as.numeric(Control)</pre>
                                      # Convert 'Control' to numeric
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automatique

A scatter plot of the linkage between grants and government effectiveness is presented below. It shows that the World Bank tends not to account for how the population perceive their governments effectiveness to grant funds to their countries.

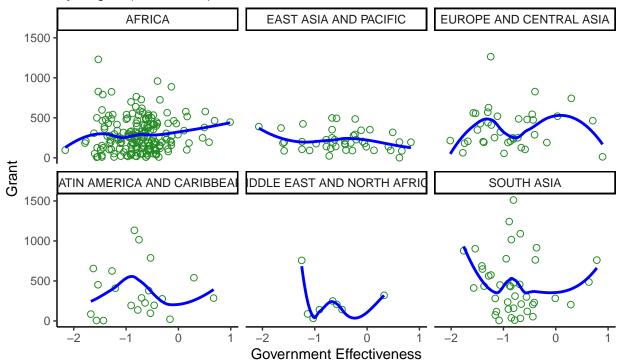


Source: Graphic by Raulin L. Cadet, with data from the World Bank

Considering a scotter plot, for the same variables, but by region, only the graphic related to Africa reveals that grants tend to increase with high perception of government effectiveness. However, this relation seems to be weak. Considering East Asia and Pacific, the curve estimating the raltion between grants and government effectiveness is almost flat, showing no relation between them. For the other regions, the relation is not consistent, suggesting that the World Bank is not following a rule related to government effectiveness to grant fund

The absence of such a rule sould not encourage government of developing countries to improve the effectiveness of public policy.

Linkage between Grant from the World Bank and Government Effectiven By Region (2002–2015)



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