



# FACTORES QUE AFECTAN A LA CORRUPCIÓN: UN ENFOQUE DE DATOS DE PANELES

# **FACTORS AFFECTING CORRUPTION:** A PANEL-DATA APPROACH

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#### Introduction

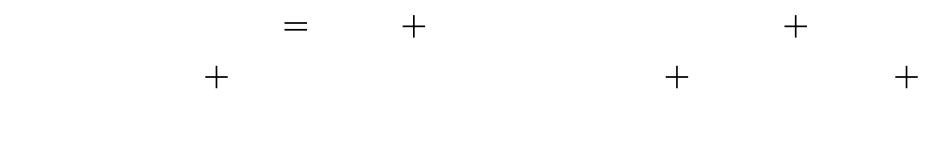
Our study attempted to assess the importance of economic, political and individual factors to the control of corruption. In order to achieve the paper aim we have used a panel-data approached for 28 European countries, from 2000 until 2018.

### Literature review

- corruption slows down economic growth, especially through its effect on different transmission channels, such as investments and trade policies (Pellegrini and Gerlagh, 2004);
- if economic freedom rises sufficiently, the level of corruption tends to fall, and keeps this trend as the quality of institutions continue to rise (Pieroni and d'Agostino, 2013);
- corruption is a destabilizing factor for political system, especially when youth exceed 20% of adult population (Campante, 2009);
- corruption may lower human capital accumulation and the quality of education and health care (Thomas et al., 2000).

## **Methodology and data**

- panel data model, EU28
- covering a period of 18 years, 2000-2018

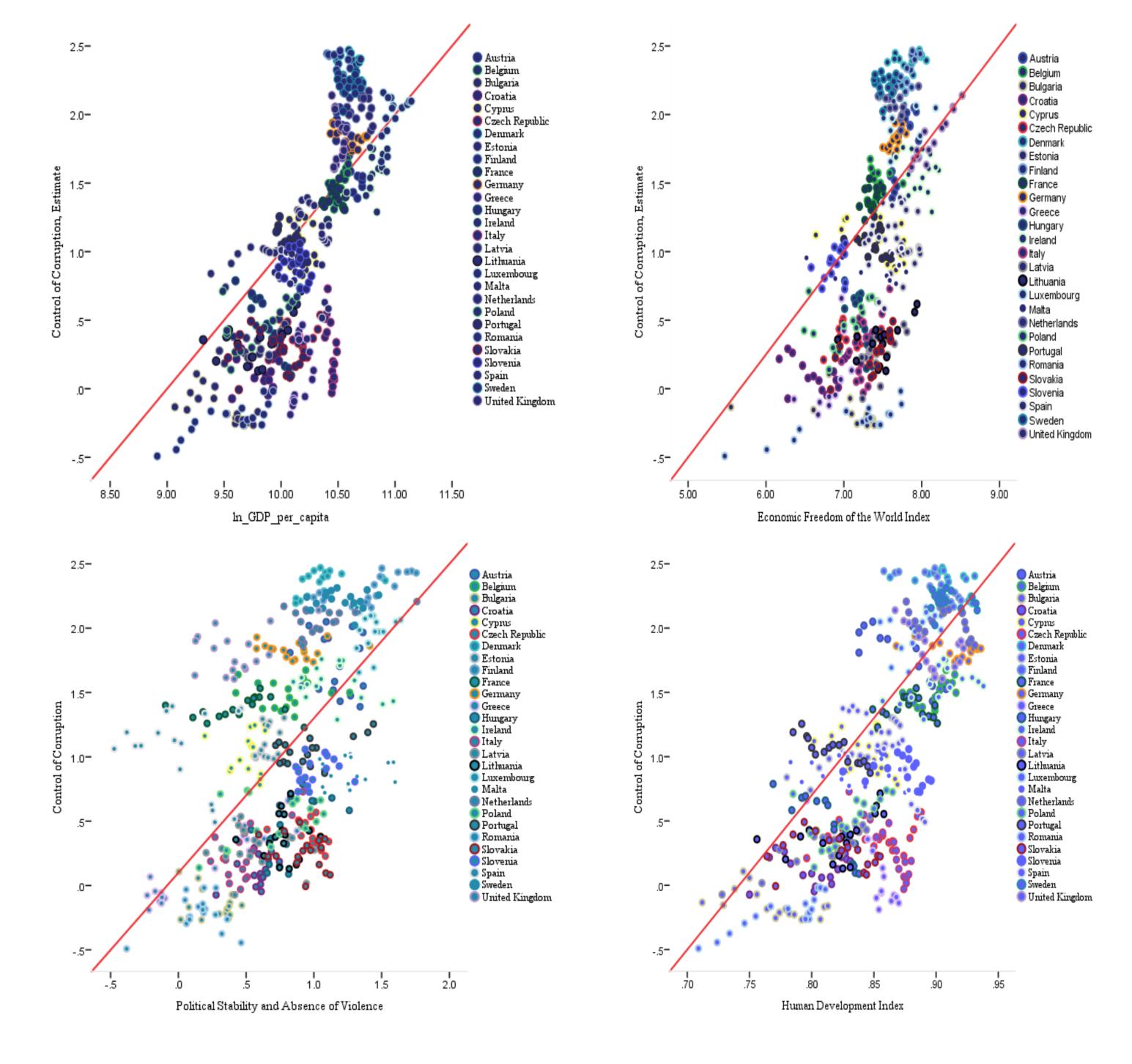


- Hypothesis1 (H1): Lack of corruption have a positive and statistically significant effect on growth rate
- Hypothesis2 (H2): Economic freedom has a positive effect on perceived level of corruption control
- Hypothesis3 (H3): Political stability is associated with lower corruption levels
- Hypothesis4 (H4): There is a positive and significant correlation between corruption and human development
- polled OLS, fixed effects and random effects
- applied the panel-corrected standard error (PCSE) model as a corrected model

### **Results and interpretation**

	Control of Corruption	GDP_per_capita	Freedom Index	Political Stability and Absence of Violence	HDI
Control of	1				
Corruption	1				
GDP_per_capita	0.795*** (0.000)	1			
Economic	0.625 ***	0.608 ***	1		
Freedom	(0.000)	(0.000)	1		
Political	, , ,	, ,			
Stability and	0.544***	0.414***	0.340***	1	
Absence of	(0.000)	(0.000)	(0.000)	1	
Violence					
HDI	0.752***	0.909 ***	0.589***	0.317***	1
	(0.000)	(0.000)	(0.000)	(0.000)	1

Dependent Variable	Control of Corruption				
Independent Variables	Coefficient	Standard error	t-statistics	p-value	
<b>Economic Factors</b>					
<b>Economic Growth</b>	1.335***	0.257	5.19	0.000	
Economic Freedom	0.725***	0.146	4.96	0.000	
Political and Individual					
Factors					
Political Stability and Absence of Violence	0.472***	0.040	11.53	0.000	
Human Development Indicator	0.858***	0.258	3.32	0.001	
Constant	-22.373***	1.825	-12.25	0.000	
Number of countries	28				
R-squared	0.723				
Wald chi2(4)	468.30				
Prob>chi2	0.000				





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