

Annex C: scoring methodology

Indicator name	Definition	Further guidelines	RAW SCORE				
			0	1	2	3	4
Presence of cross-border tensions that could lead to conflict or sanctions	Assesses the threat that international disputes/tensions could negatively affect the economy and/or polity.	Consider issues such as regional armed conflict and disputes over trade, borders, human rights.	No threat	Low threat	Moderate threat	High threat	Very high threat
Domestic Armed conflict (both internal conflict and/or civil war, but excluding cross-border conflict)	Is this country presently subject to armed conflict or is there at least a moderate risk of such conflict in the forecast period?	Examples: Sporadic conflict: Northern Ireland; Incursional conflict: PKK in Turkey; Territorial conflict: Sierra Leone	No armed conflict exists and there is a low risk of such conflict developing	Yes, sporadic conflict: government control is firm, but opposition engages in isolated incidents of violence	Yes, incursional conflict: government remains in control but opposition engages in frequent armed incursions	Yes, sporadic & incursional conflict	Yes, territorial conflict: opposition has effective control over a region or regions

Presence and threat of violent social unrest	Assessment of the prevalence of violent social unrest		Strongly no	No	Somewhat of a problem	Yes	Strongly yes
Prevalence of violent crime (both organised and common crime)	Assessment of the prevalence of violent crime, both organised and common.		Strongly no	No	Somewhat of a problem	Yes	Strongly yes
Perceptions of personal safety	What is the level of perceived criminality in society?		Very low: The majority of other citizens can be trusted	Low: An overall positive climate of trust with other citizens	Moderate: Reasonable degree of trust in other citizens	High: High levels of distrust in other citizens	Very high: Very high levels of distrust in other citizens - people are extremely cautious
Strength and fairness of judicial system	Assesses the extent to which the legal process/the courts can be interfered with or distorted to serve particular interests.		Very low degree	Low degree	Moderate degree	High degree	Very high degree
Accountability of public officials	How accountable are public officials?	How accountable are public officials? Is recourse possible in the case of unfair treatment? Do safeguards ensure	Very accountable by all criteria	Mostly accountable	Moderately accountable	Generally unaccountable	Extremely unaccountable

		officials perform competently?					
Corruption in government and public officials	This indicator is the average of indicator scores 8a and 8b (see below)		Very low				Very high
Vested interests/cronyism	To what degree do vested interests and cronyism distort decision-making in the public and/or private sectors?	Considers the following aspects of cronyism/vested interests: Award of public contracts based on merit or connections/political affiliations? Appointment/promotion to key government and private sector: based on merit or connections/political affiliations? Key individuals: undue & distorting influence over appointments or contract awards? Enforcement agencies: do they exist and are they independent?	Very low	Minor	Moderate	Considerable	Very considerable

<p>Corruption</p>	<p>Assesses the pervasiveness of corruption among public officials. Measures perception or degree to which public officials are involved in corrupt practices (misuse of public office for private benefit, accepting bribes, dispensing favours and patronage for private gain)</p>	<p>Consider the length of time that the regime/government has been in power; the number of officials appointed rather than elected; frequency of reports/rumours of bribery.</p>	<p>Very low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Moderate</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Very high</p>
<p>Political participation</p>	<p>Based on dichotomous scores for distinct questions related to political participation. Scores are from the Economist Intelligence Unit's Democracy Index. For countries not in the</p>	<p>Questions look at voter turnout rates, political autonomy and voice for ethnic/religious minorities, women in parliament, extent of political participation and promotion, citizens' political engagement, political demonstrations, literacy, and interest in politics</p>	<p>Scoring starts at a value of 0 points</p>				<p>Scoring ends at a maximum value of 10 points</p>

	index, scores are specially prepared by EIU using the Democracy Index scoring template.						
Orderly transfers of power	How clear, established, and accepted are constitutional mechanisms for the orderly transfer of power from one government to another?	To distinguish between 0 and 1, score 0 if mechanisms in place prior to 1960, and 1 otherwise.	Very clear, established and accepted	Clear, established and accepted	One of the three criteria is absent	Two of the three criteria are absent	Not clear, not established, not accepted

Human rights	Is there a risk that this country could be accused of serious human rights abuses?		Highly unlikely	Unlikely	Only somewhat likely	Likely	Very likely
Excessive bureaucracy / red tape	How pervasive is red tape?	Red tape refers to bureaucratic delays and complexity in obtaining the appropriate documentation/authorisation to engage in business activities.	Very low level	Low level	Moderate level	High level	Very high level
Telephone network	What is the risk that the telephone network will prove inadequate to business needs? Evaluate the risk based on three criteria: degree of obsolescence, maintenance and sufficient supply to meet demand.	Use projections for telephone mainlines per 1000 people and mobile phones per 1000 people.	Very low (more than 430 land lines per 1000 people)	Low (250-430 land lines per 1000 people)	Moderate (150-250 land lines per 1000 people)	High (90-150 landlines per 1000 people)	Very high (less than 90 land lines per 1000 people)
Rail network	What is the risk that the rail network will prove inadequate to business needs?		Very low	Low	Moderate	High	Very high

IT infrastructure	What is the risk that the information technology infrastructure will prove inadequate to business needs?	Use projections for number of PCs and Internet hosts per 1000 people.	Very low	Low	Moderate	High	Very high
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