

CRISIS, GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRACY

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ABSTRACT

Studies of regime performance effects on support for democracy have neglected the possible impact of economic and political crisis. Using survey data from the second and third waves of the Afrobarometer survey, this study finds some evidence that rapid democratization decreases the impact of performance on support for democracy. I also find strong evidence that political performance has a stronger impact on pro-democratic sentiment than economic performance.