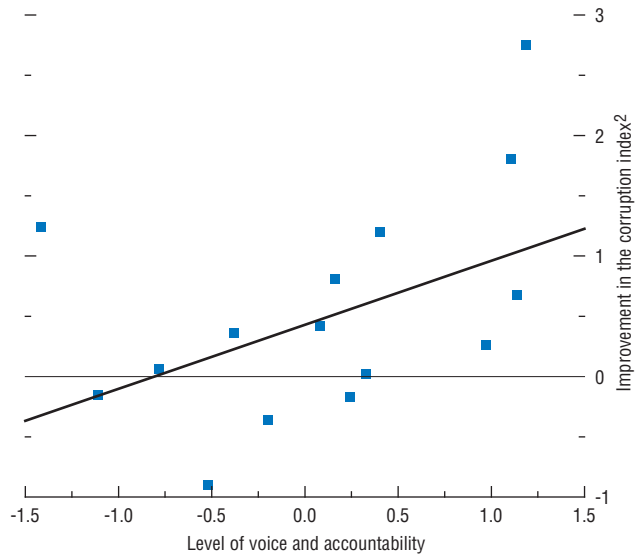


Figure 3.13. Accountability and Improvements in Corruption¹

Over the past decade, the corruption index has improved more significantly in the countries that are characterized by having high voice and accountability.



Sources: Kaufmann, Kraay, and Mastruzzi (2005); Transparency International and University of Passau (2004); and IMF staff calculations.

¹The sample for this figure consists only of the countries where the initial 1995 Transparency International and University of Passau (TI) corruption score is below its mid-range of 5. The level of voice and accountability refers to the average score between 1996 and 2004. For a description of the voice and accountability index, see Appendix 3.1.

²The improvement in the TI corruption score refers to the change in the score between 2004 and 1995.