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Corrigendum

1. Paragraph 1 *should read*

The 2005 elections enabled Burundi to re-establish a democratic system and enhance the business environment for private sector development, which led to an average economic growth rate of 4 per cent¹ between 2005 and 2014. However, the 2015 political situation slowed the country's economic development trajectory, and peacebuilding and social cohesion have remained challenging since then.

2. Paragraph 5 *should read*

The 2018 universal periodic review (UPR) generated 242 recommendations, of which the Government has accepted 134. The UPR and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women² highlighted that access to quality services and fundamental rights remains a challenge notably for poor and vulnerable groups (returnees, displaced communities, people with disability and Batwa), particularly women. Challenges of some key service delivery institutions such as judicial, health and administrative services, deficient mechanisms for accountability and transparency at national and local levels, and low capacity of right holders to claim their rights are key contributing factors to these operational difficulties. The 2017 Ibrahim Index of African Governance cited Burundi among the 12 African countries where global governance deteriorated between 2007 and 2016 (-6.5) with a score of 39.9 out of 100 and a rank of 44 of 54 African countries.

3. Paragraph 20 *should read*

UNDP will further support local governments to: (a) align their planning process with the NDP; (b) experiment with new forms of decision-making, such as participatory budgeting and planning, thus

¹ Perspectives Economiques Africaines, 2018.

² https://lib.ohchr.org/HRBodies/UPR/Documents/Session29/BI/Burundi_LetterHC_EN.pdf and https://www.ecoi.net/en/file/local/1407855/1930_1497440152_n1640274-1.pdf



strengthen their accountability to all; and (c) integrate capacity development programmes into local economic development strategies. The capacities of citizens as right holders will be strengthened to hold duty bearers accountable to the needs of the population. To ensure representation and equal participation of citizens in local decision-making processes, UNDP will strengthen the operationalization of existing local mechanisms for good governance and community development.
