

# **10th AFRICAN UNION GENDER PRE-SUMMIT**

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**Addressing Adverse Effects of Corruption  
On Gender Equality**

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# OVERVIEW

## ✓ Advancements on Gender Equality in Africa

- ❑ Access to essential services
- ❑ Socio-Economic Exclusion of Women
- ❑ Political Participation of Women
- ❑ Conflict and Post Conflict Situations- 'Sextortion'

## ✓ Policy Recommendations



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# Corruption & Access to Essential Services

Corruption in public service delivery affects women disproportionately more than men due to the higher vulnerability for women living in poverty due to cuts in spending by governments due to shrinking revenue.



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# Corruption & Social Economic Exclusion of Women

Loss in state funds due to corruption reduces government resources for social services and this burden is then passed on to women one trillion dollars go missing every year from developing countries due to corruption, money laundering and illegal tax evasion.



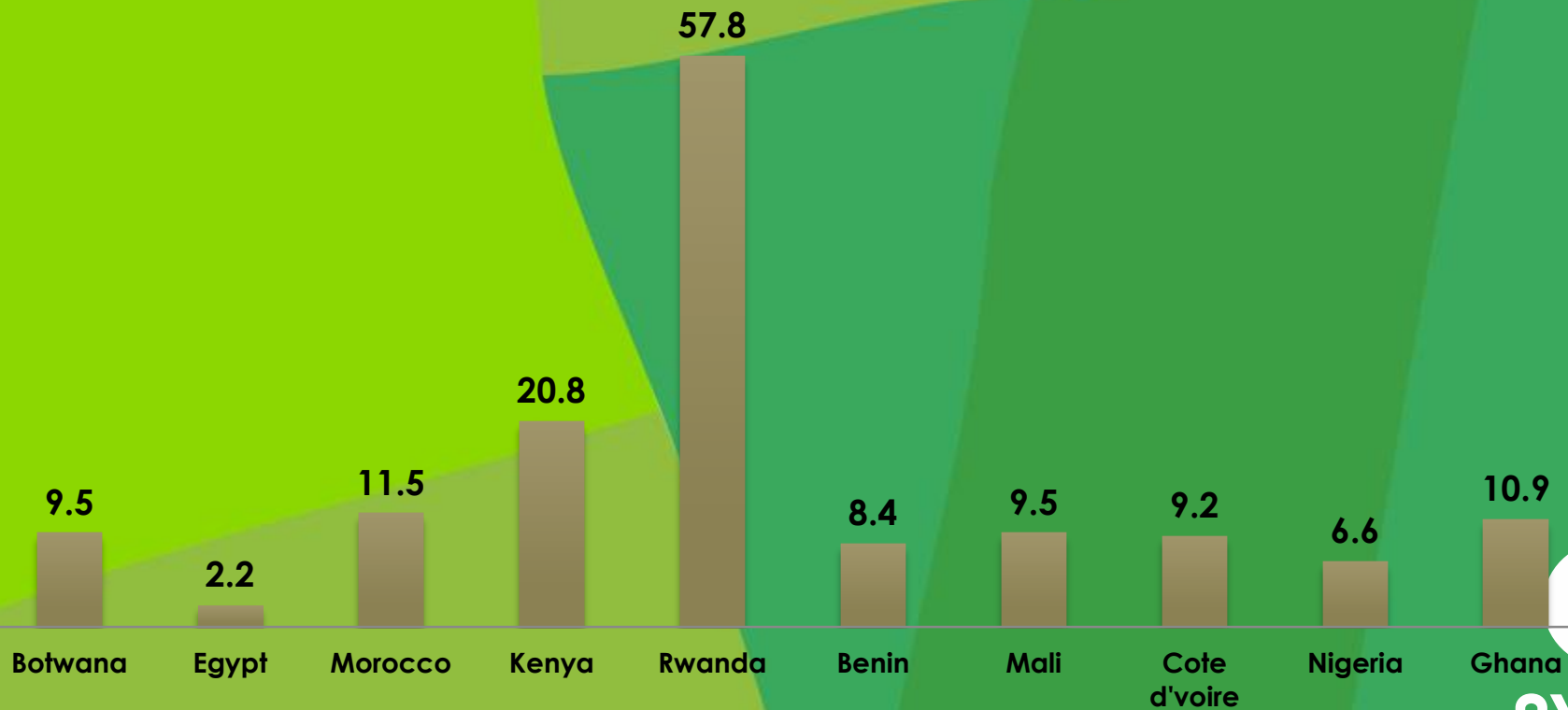
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# Are women & Men equally well represented in institutions?

## % of women rep in parliament

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# Conflict And Post Conflict Situations

▶ There are forms of corruption that affect women more specifically, such as sexual extortion, using sex as an informal currency in which bribes are paid, attacks on their honour and human trafficking



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# Policy Recommendations

- There is need to develop gender responsive anti-corruption strategies
- Anti-corruption policies must account for the social construction of gendered behaviors
- Continuous Gender analysis and collection of sex disaggregated data on corruption and the application of collected data is important in formulation, implementation and monitoring of anti-corruption policies.
- Forms of corruption that affect women most such as sexual extortion and human trafficking should be recognised as such and should be a specific area of anti-corruption initiatives.
- There is need to recognise and involve grassroots women in the design and implementation of anti-corruption initiatives.
- Continued support for transformative women leadership



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