

Growth without Development: An
Examination of Political and
Transactional Freedoms in West Africa

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Background

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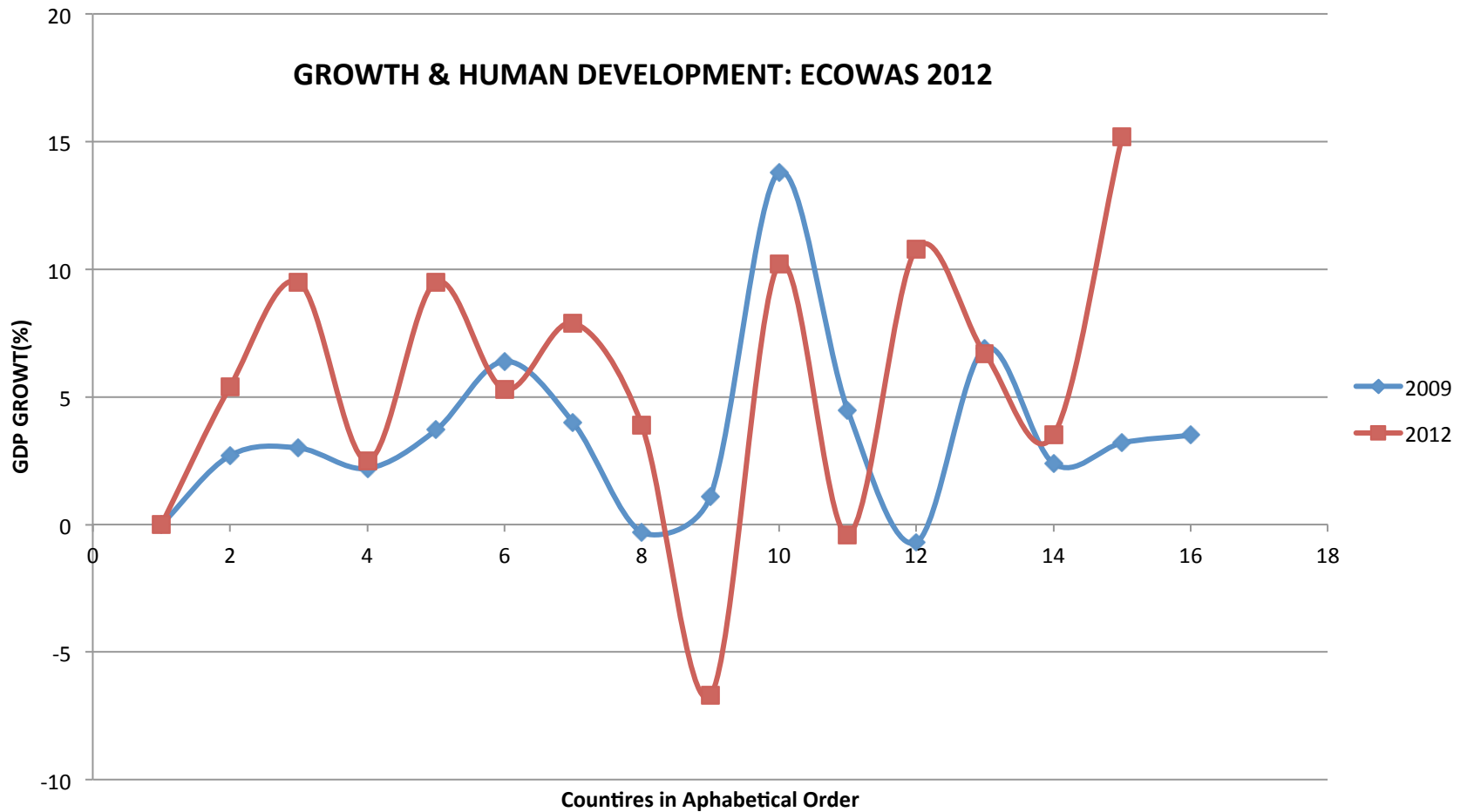
Data

- UNDP – HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX (AND ITS COMPONENTS)
- DEMOCRACY INDEX
- PRESS FREEDOM INDEX

Poverty and Democracy

- “The history of democracy shows that economic development is a necessary precondition for democracy to gain traction. So, if the citizens are poor and not empowered, as the situation is, they cannot freely exercise their democratic rights,” he says.

Growth & Human Development

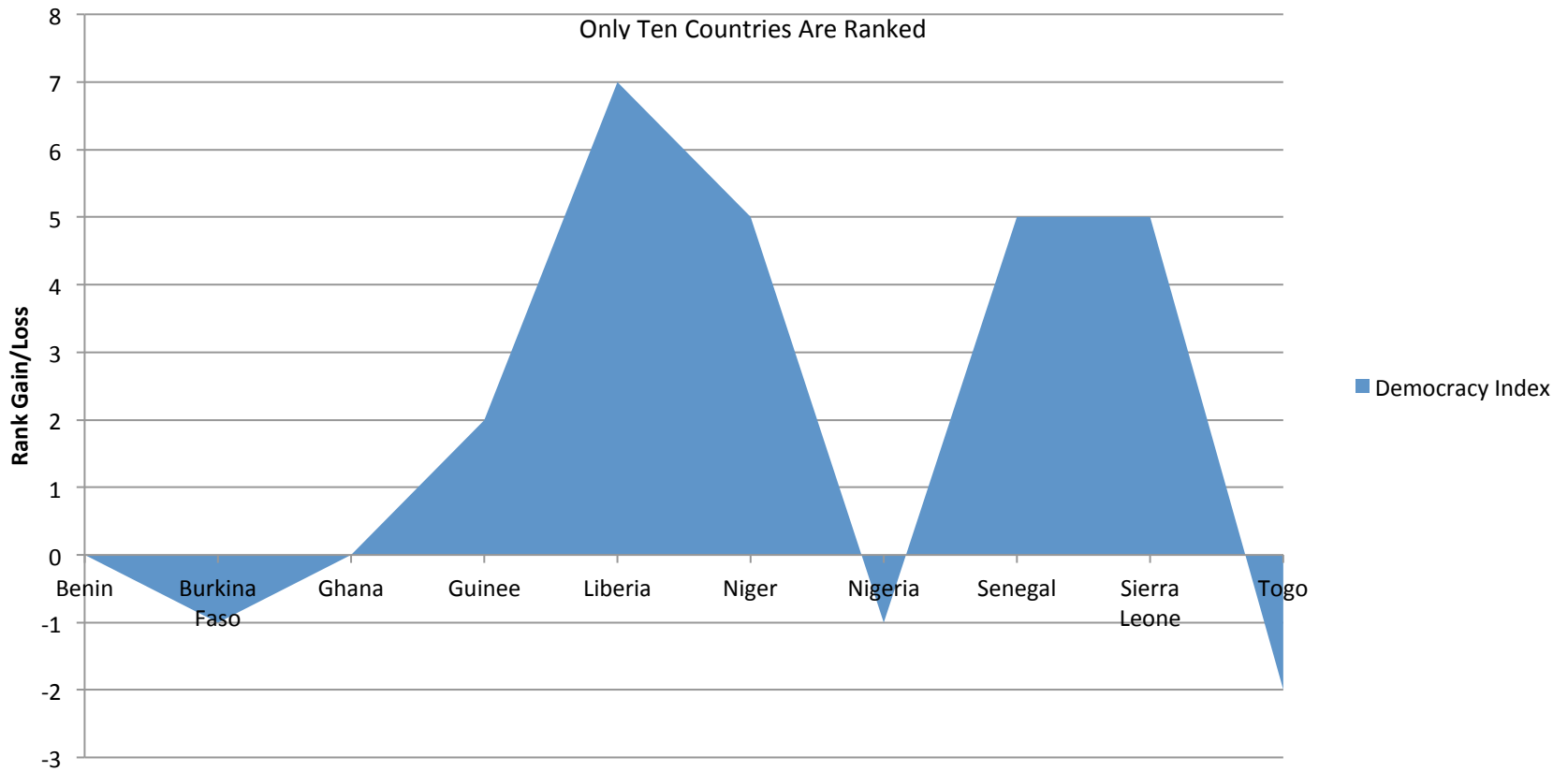


CONGRUENT FREEDOMS

- Economic Opportunity
- Political Liberties
- Social facilities and infrastructures
- Good health
- Basic education
- Freedom of speech and of association

Political Liberty

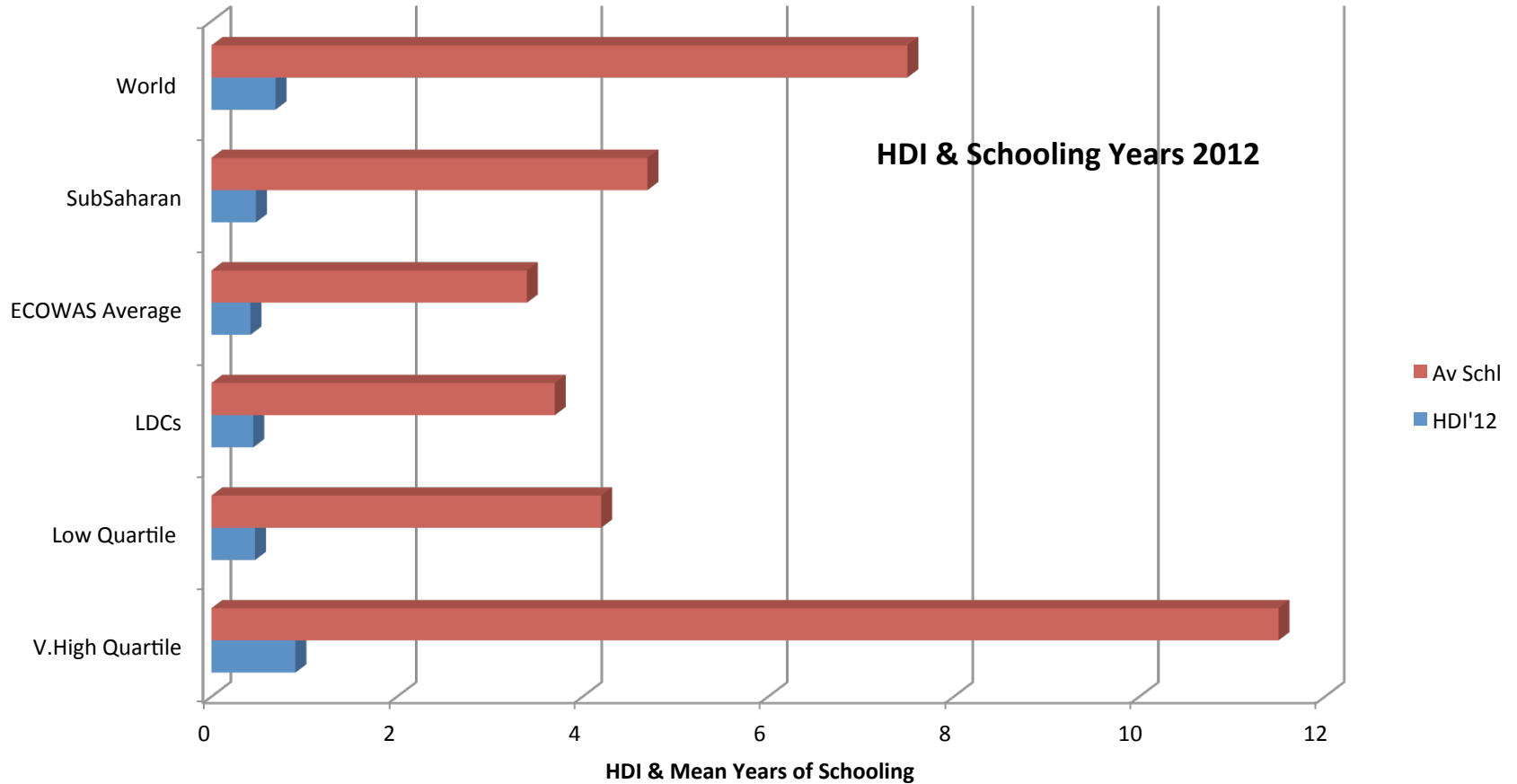
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ECOWAS Agenda for Political and Market Transactional Freedom

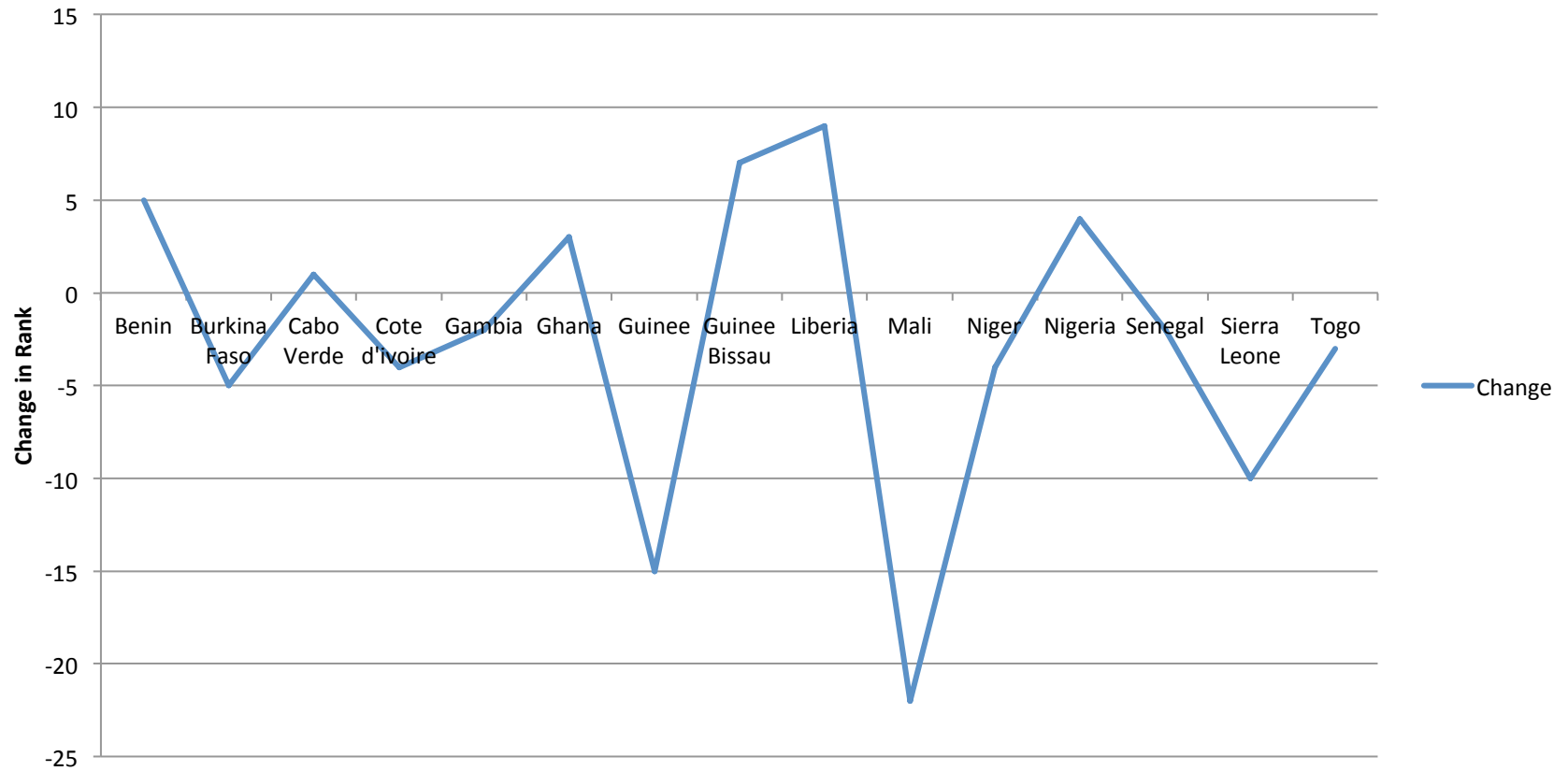
- IF YOU ARE PAROCHIAL, YOU DON'T SEEK ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION
- IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF FREEDOM TO BRING ABOUT A TRANSFORMED SOCIETY, THERE IS NO POINT PREACHING THE VIRTUE OF A UNITED AFRICA
- IF YOU ARE AN UNLTRA NATIONALIST, IT DEFEATS YOUR PURPOSE TO WORK TOWARDS AN ECOWAS OF PEOPLE

HDI & Basic Education



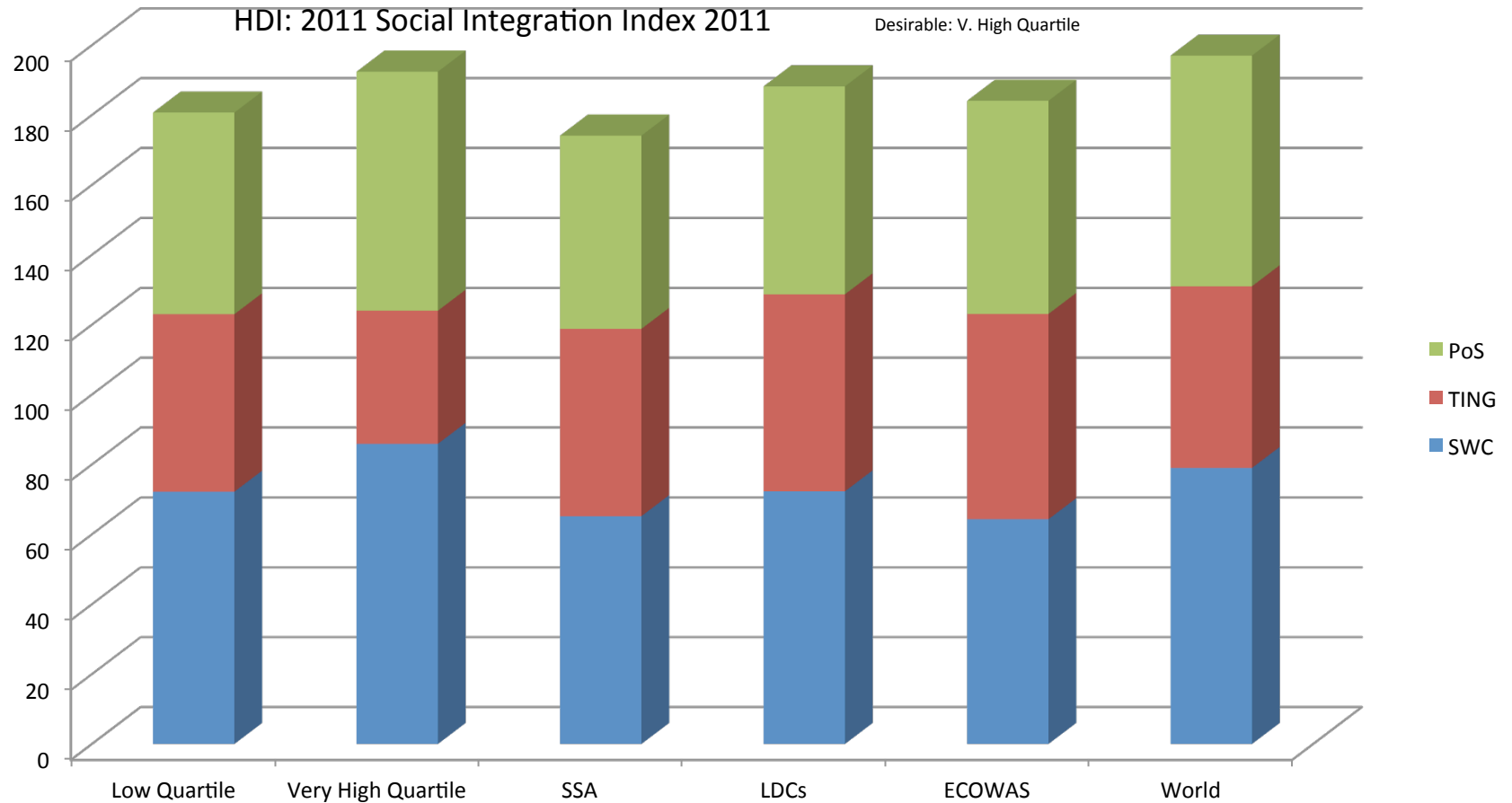
Press Freedom

ECOWAS Press Freedom: Change in Rank 2014



Social Integration

Pos – Perception of Safety; TING – Trust in National Government and SWC – Satisfaction with Community



ECONOMIC INTEGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

- ONLY A UNION HAS THE PROMISE TO WORK TOWARDS THE HARMONIZATION OF ALL FORMS OF FREEDOM
- ONLY ECOWAS HAS THE PROMISE OF A TRUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION!