**LAI 2.0 Total file 1990-2020 temp5 codebook (1193 variables)**

**Country\_code, 1-57**

Country\_ID 1.0, 1-39, 39 countries involved in the previous LAI 1.0 project

**Country\_name**, 57 countries involved in the LAI 2.0 project (the scores by asymmetrical units have been weighted by population and aggregated to the country level)

Country\_abbreviation

**11 variables and self-rule, interactive rule and local autonomy**, 1990-2020 (for the operationalization, see the final report, pp. 15-19):

* Institutional depth
* Policy scope (non-weighted total of the 8 functions)
* Effective political direction (non-weighted total of the 8 functions)
* Fiscal autonomy
* Financial self-reliance
* Financial transfer system
* Borrowing autonomy
* Organisational autonomy
* Legal protection
* Administrative supervision
* Central or regional access
* *Self-rule*
* *Interactive rule*
* *Local autonomy*

**s = standardised variables** (the 11 variables, self-rule, interactive rule and local autonomy have the same range up to 100)

**7 Dimensions and *LAI\_Index***, 1990-2020 (for the construction and Weighting process of the dimensions and index D7w, see the final report, p. 70):

* Legal autonomy
* Political discretion
* Policy scope
* Financial autonomy
* Organisational autonomy
* Non interference
* Access
* *LAI\_Index*

**5-years means** (1990-1994, 1995-1999, 2000-2004, 2005-2009, 2010-2014, 2015-2020) of the 7 Dimensions and LAI\_Index

**Supplementary data** (for the coding scheme, see the final report, pp. 20-21):

* *LG*, 1990-2020 = number of local governments (and 5-years means)
* *POP*, 1990-2020 = country population (and size per LG 2020, and logarithm pop 2020), Word Bank database
* Additional questions (perceptions, only in 2020)
  + Implication of Covid-19 pandemic
  + Satisfaction with local government service delivery
  + Importance of local government
  + Satisfaction with local democracy
  + Turnout at local elections
  + Electoral participation on local level compared to electoral participation on national level
  + Perception of trustworthiness of local politicians
  + Perception of trustworthiness of local politicians compared to national politicians

**Consequences** of local autonomy:

* Percentage of non-central total government spending, 2019, OECD database
* Subcentral tax revenue as % of total tax revenue, 2019, OECD database
* GDP, 2020, World Bank database
* RAI\_selfrule, 2018, RAI
* RAI, sharedrule, 2018, RAI
* RAI, 2018, RAI

**Groups of countries:**

* EU membership
* CoE membership
* OECD membership
* Federalist countries
* Kuhlmann and Wollmann typology

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