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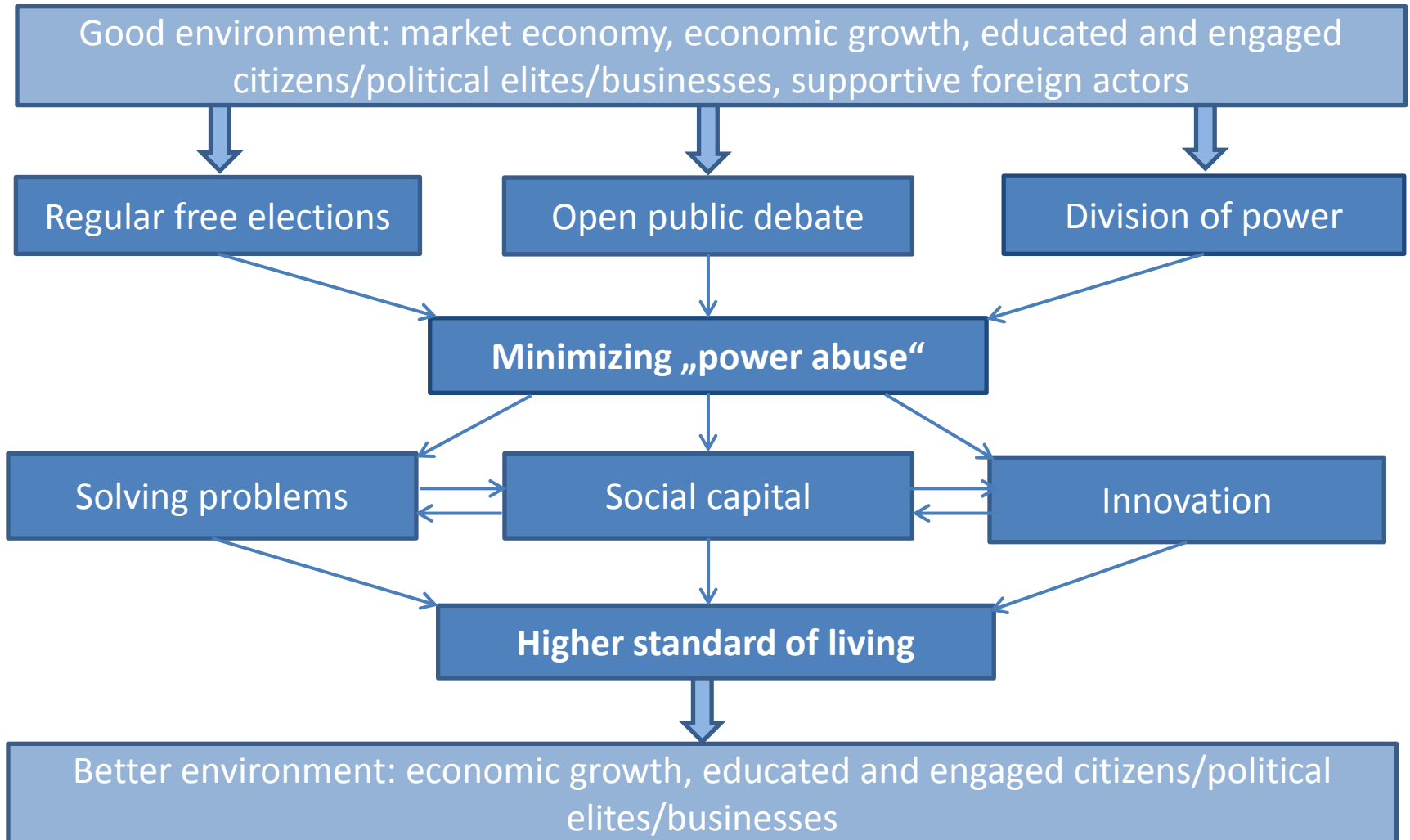
Quality of democracy in Ukraine compared to other countries

Peter Golias, INEKO

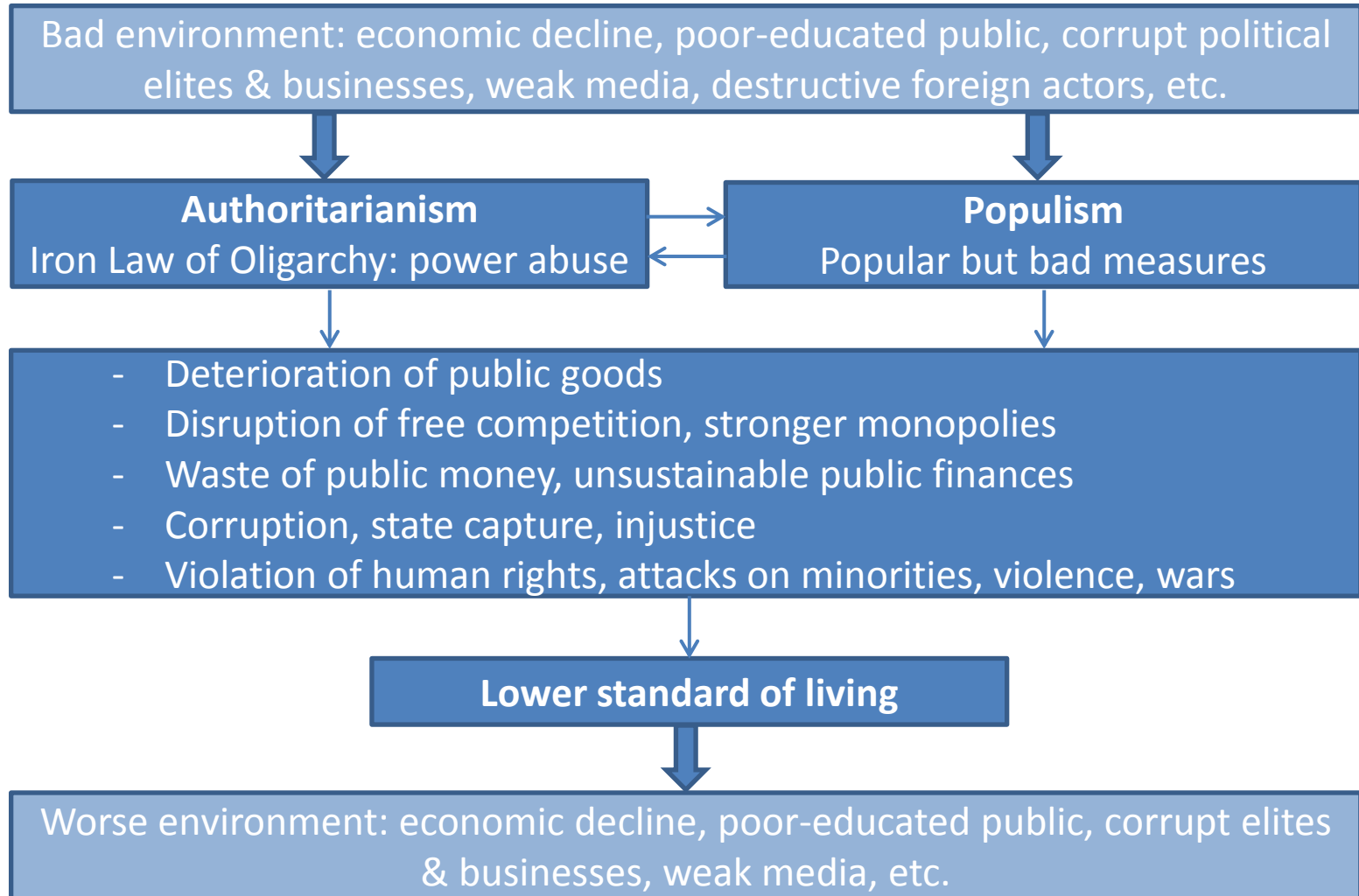
June 29, 2021

Video-conference: Presentation of the
Independence Index of key public
institutions in Ukraine

How democracy works?

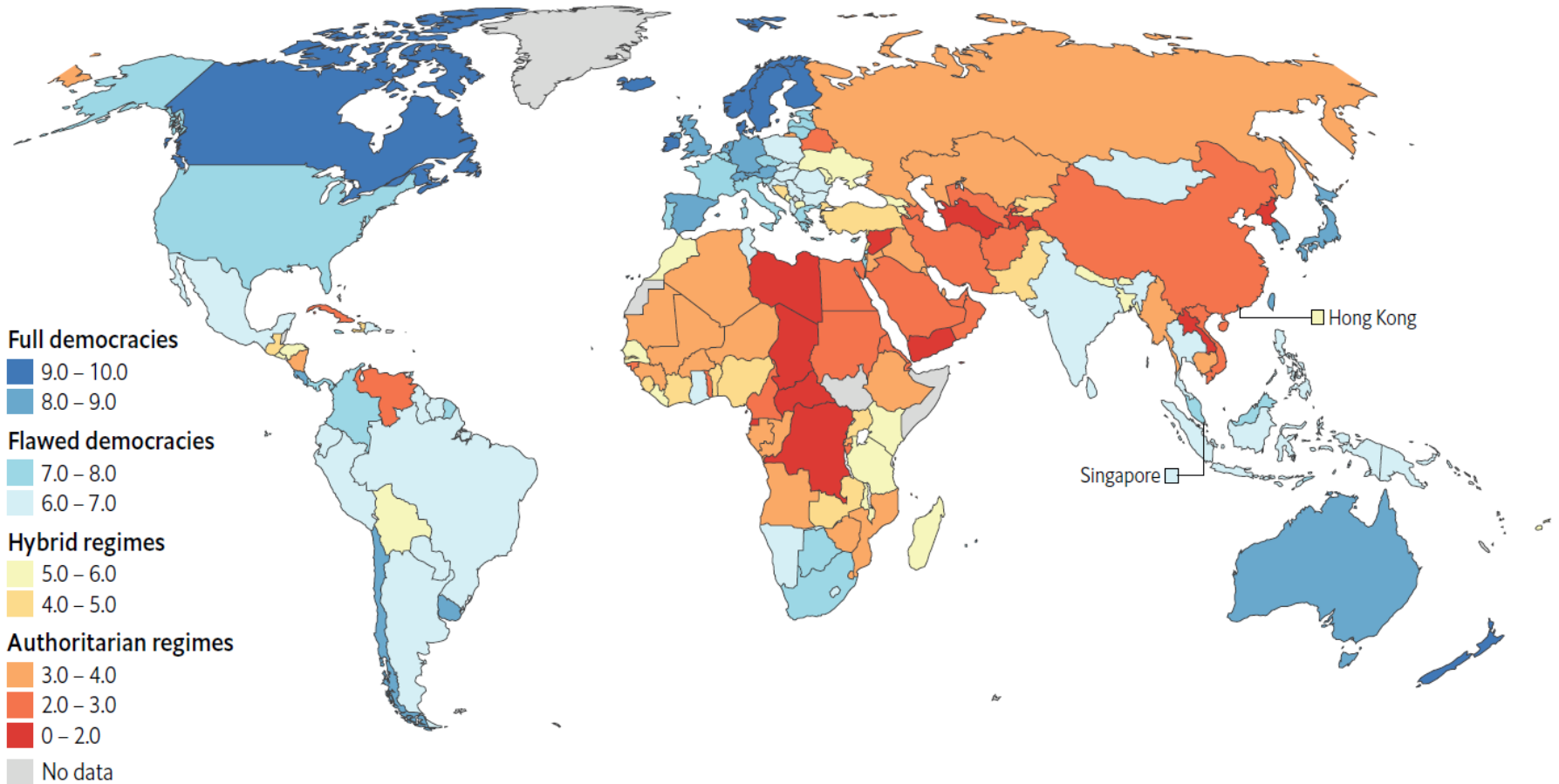


Threats to democracy



Source: Peter Golias, INEKO, Slovakia

Chart 1. Democracy Index 2020, global map by regime type



Source: The Economist Intelligence Unit.

Source: EIU, Democracy Index 2020

Table 1.
Democracy Index 2020, by regime type

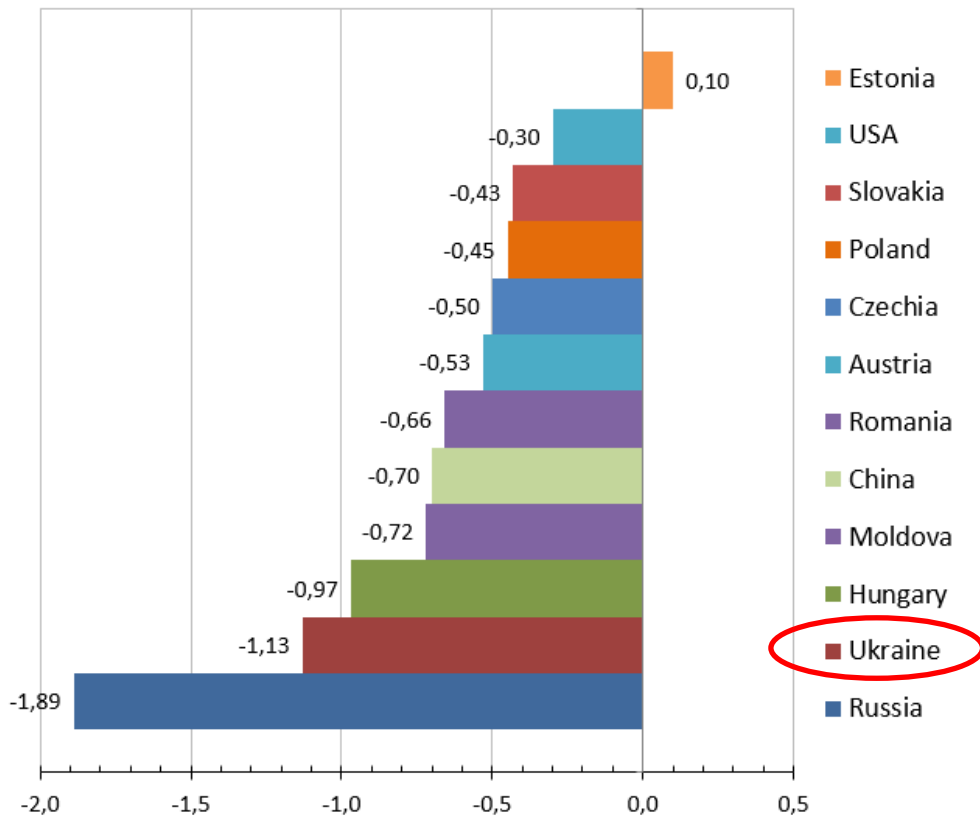
	No. of countries	% of countries	% of world population
Full democracies	23	13.8	8.4
Flawed democracies	52	31.1	41.0
Hybrid regimes	35	21.0	15.0
Authoritarian regimes	57	34.1	35.6

Note. "World" population refers to the total population of the 167 countries covered by the Index. Since this excludes only micro states, this is nearly equal to the entire estimated world population.

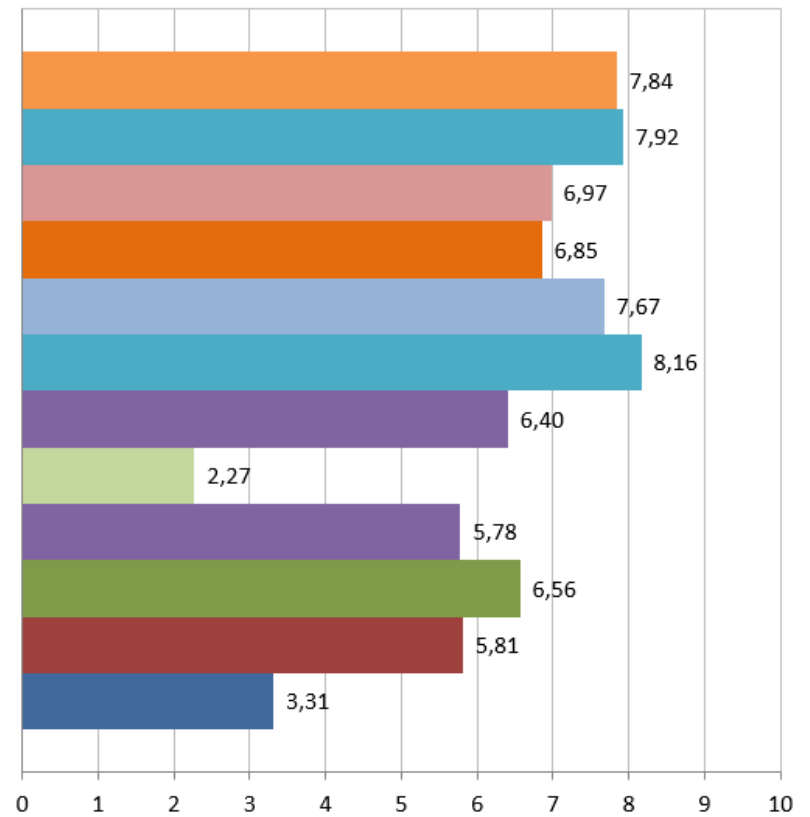
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Change in Democracy Index over 2006-20



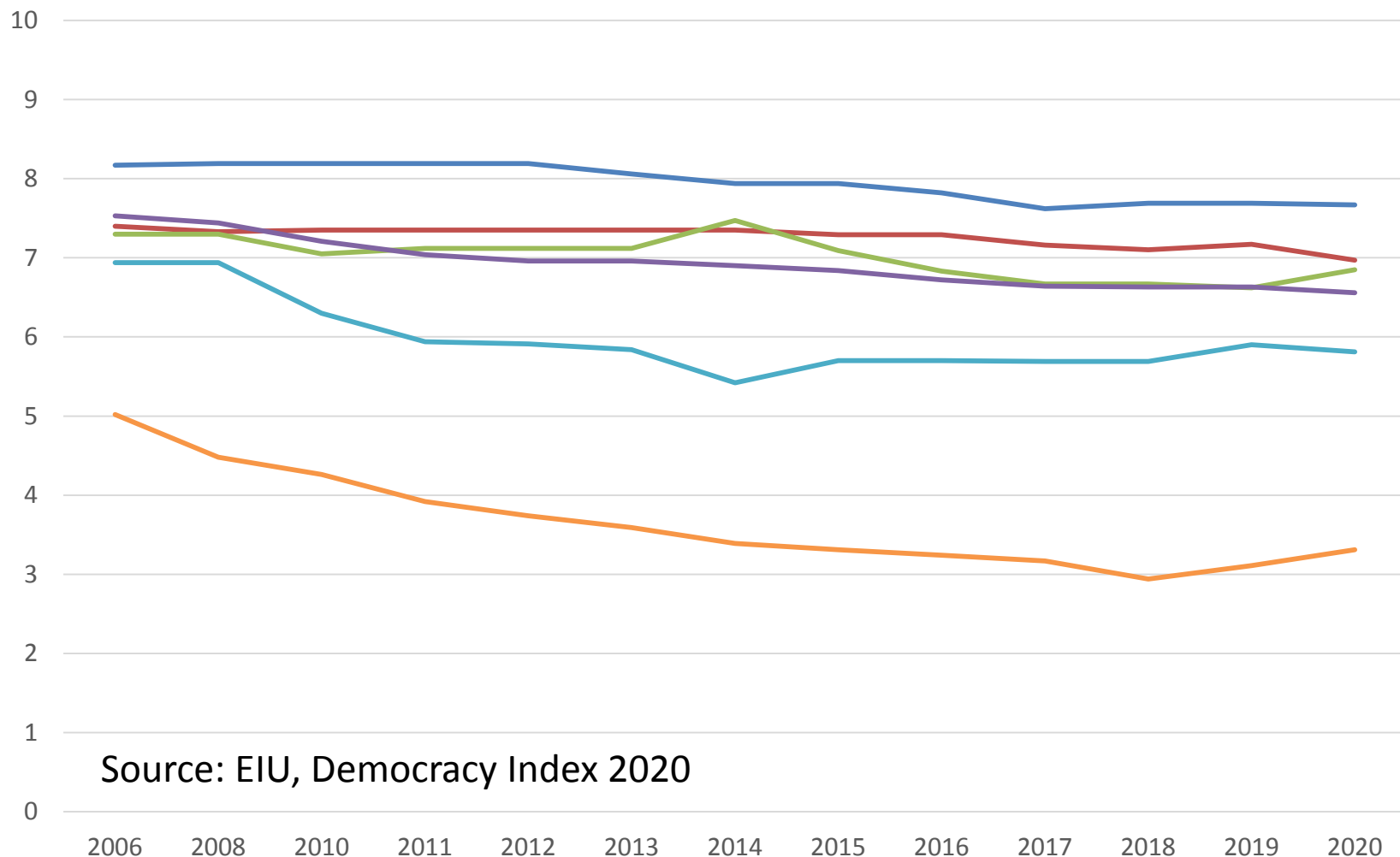
Democracy Index in 2020



Source: The Economist Intelligence Unit, assessment on a scale 0-10, where 0 means no democracy and 10 means the best democracy

Democracy Index over 2006-20 in selected countries

Czech Republic Slovakia Poland Hungary Ukraine Russia

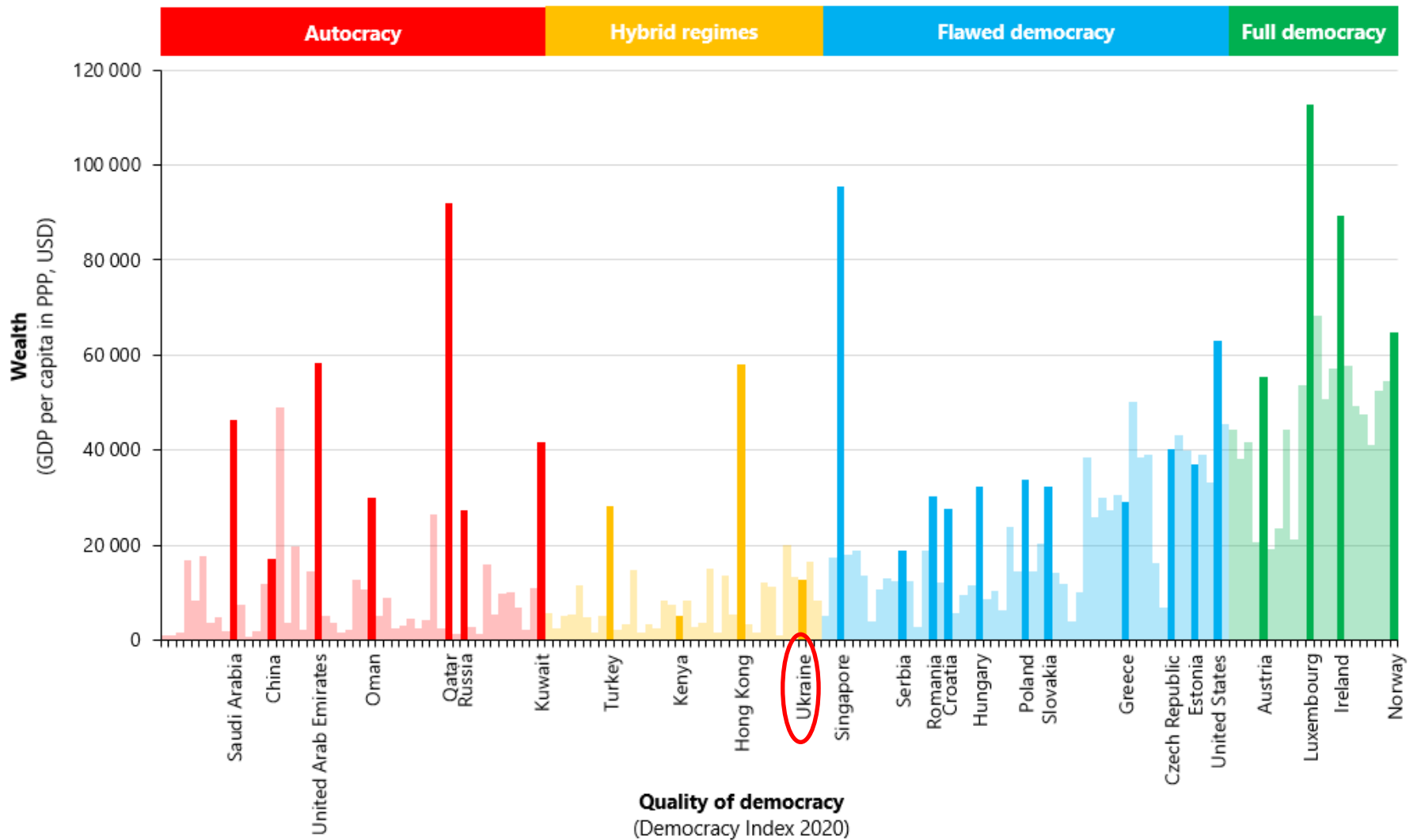


Source: EIU, Democracy Index 2020

What they assess

1. Electoral system (UA: 8.25) – free and fair elections, political system, etc.
2. Functioning of government (**UA: 2.71**) – checks and balances, corruption, trust to government and political parties, etc.
3. Political participation (UA: 7.22) – electoral participation, active membership in political organizations, engagement of citizens in public affairs
4. Political culture (**UA: 5.00**) – public meaning of democracy and its links to public order, economy, etc.
5. Civil liberties (**UA: 5.88**) – freedom of media, rule of law, independence of judiciary, protection of private property and human rights, etc.

Link between quality of democracy and wealth

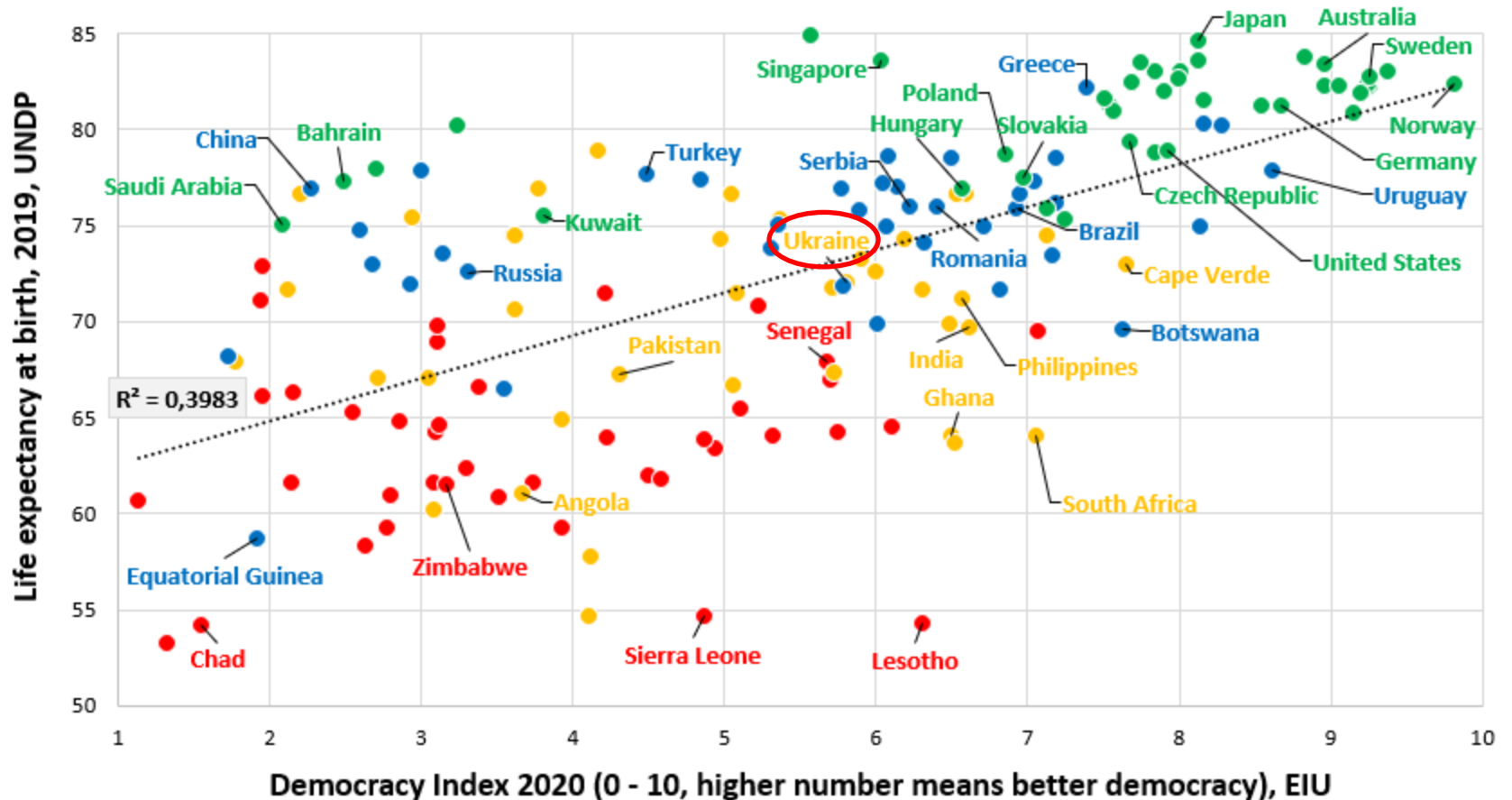


Source: INEKO, 2021; underlying data: EIU - Democracy Index 2020; IMF - GDP per capita in purchasing power parity, 2020

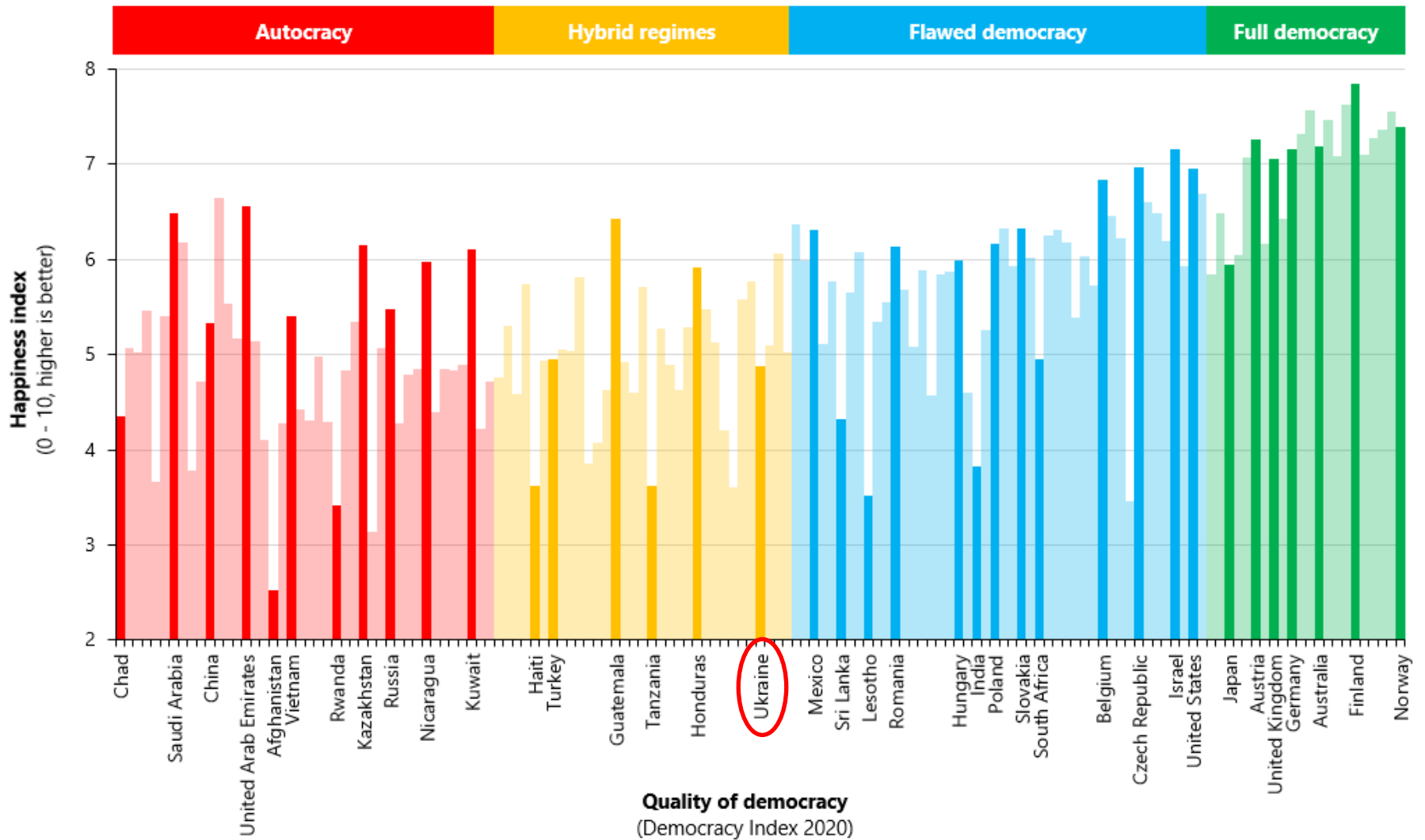
Democracy delivers!

The most democratic countries in the world are also the richest and people there enjoy the longest lives

Countries by GDP per capita in PPP: ● Poorest quarter ● 2nd quarter ● 3rd quarter ● Richest quarter



Link between quality of democracy and happiness



Thank you for your attention!

<https://www.ineko.sk/projekty/strengthening-democratic-resilience-of-key-public-institutions-in-ukraine>