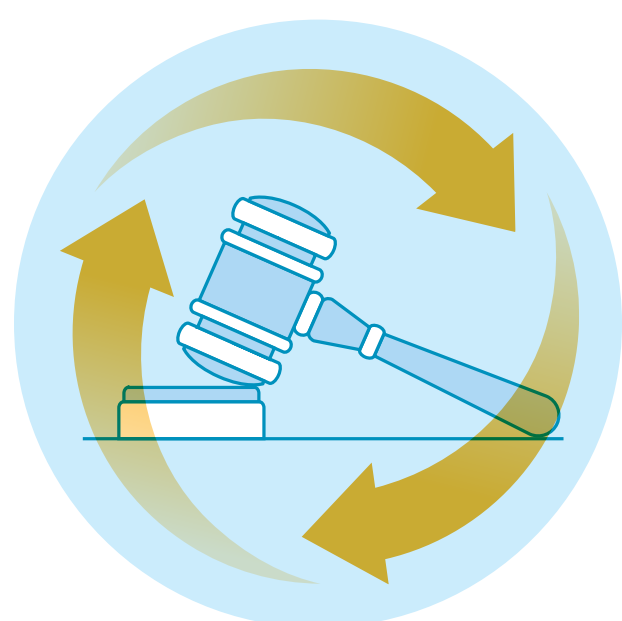


The Economic Power of JUDICIAL REFORM

PROGRESS



WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

Much progress made, but setbacks common. Change is possible.

WHAT CAN POLICYMAKERS DO?

Continue striving for an independent, impartial, and efficient judiciary.

RESOURCES

WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

Concentration of resources and opportunities is bad news.

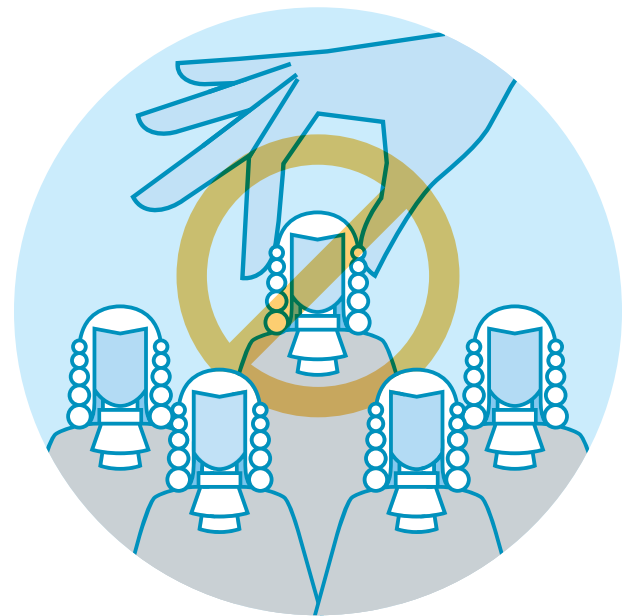
WHAT CAN POLICYMAKERS DO?

Mind the economic and social divides. Foster greater competition and equal opportunities.

Fiscal redistributive policies to promote equal opportunities.



MERIT



WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

State capacity has lasting effects on effectiveness.

WHAT CAN POLICYMAKERS DO?

Select and promote public officials strictly on merit.

TRANSPARENCY

WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

Transparency is powerful: a small change can spark big changes.

WHAT CAN POLICYMAKERS DO?

Freedom of information legislation.

Public indicators: government performance, ownership structure, and financial disclosures. E-government.



REFORMS



WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

The EU catalyzed reforms, but for reforms to stick domestic factors are crucial.

WHAT CAN POLICYMAKERS DO?

External institutions should (a) foster greater transparency, state capacity, and more equal resource distribution, and (b) strengthen domestic agents of change (e.g., civil society).