"Political Parties, Presidents, Elections, and Governments" (PPEG)

Release Notes

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Remarks

- Changes listed as "General" apply to all PPEG data sets.
- Changes listed under "Parliamentary Elections" apply to the data sets "Parliamentary Elections", "Governments" and "Combined Data".
- Changes listed under "Presidential Elections" apply only to the data set "Presidential Elections".
- Changes listed under "Governments" apply to the data sets "Governments" and "Combined Data".
- The PPEG database comprises all political parties that have secured at least one seat in the national lower chamber. This means that a party's election results are retrospectively included. For example, if a party secures a seat for the first time in the fifth election it has contested since its founding, we add the party's vote share for all five elections. These updates are not listed in this document.

General

- New country: Ghana
- Update of links to Manifesto Project dataset (2023a release)
- Various fixes and harmonization of party and alliance names
- Harmonization of names of presidential candidates and prime ministers
- Changed `eu_east` variable for Cyprus and Malta from "yes" to "no"

Parliamentary Elections

- New parliamentary elections: Australia (May 2022), Barbados (Jan. 2022), Brazil (Oct. 2022), Bulgaria (Oct. 2022, Apr. 2023), Colombia (Mar. 2022), Costa Rica (Feb. 2022), Denmark (Nov. 2022), Estonia (Mar. 2023), Finland (Apr. 2023), France (Jun. 2022), Greece (May 2023, Jun. 2023), Guatemala (Jun. 2023), Hungary (Apr. 2022), Israel (Nov. 2022), Italy (Sep. 2022), Latvia (Oct. 2022), Luxembourg (Oct. 2023), Malta (Mar. 2022), Montenegro (Jun. 2023), Netherlands (Nov. 2023), New Zealand (Oct. 2023), Paraguay (Apr. 2023), Poland (Oct. 2023), Portugal (Jan. 2022), Serbia (Apr. 2022, Dec. 2023), Slovakia (Sep. 2023), Slovenia (Apr. 2022), Spain (Jul. 2023), Sweden (Sep. 2022), Switzerland (Oct. 2023), Turkey (May 2023), USA (Nov. 2022)
- Update of election data: Colombia (Mar. 2018), Turkey (Jun. 2018)
- Corrected election dates: Bulgaria (Jul. 2021)
- Update of electorate: Norway (Sep. 2021)
- Update of vote counts: Spain (Nov. 2011)
- Update of valid vote counts: Spain (Nov. 2011), Spain (Dec. 2015)
- Update of valid vote count in second tier: Japan (Oct. 2021)
- Update of total vote count: Canada (Sep. 2021)
- Improved documentation of electoral alliances: Armenia (Apr. 2017), Latvia (Oct., 2018), Montenegro (Aug., 2020), Serbia (Jan. 2007), Slovakia (Mar. 2016, Feb. 2020)
- Merge of party ids for Koalicija Albanaca Preševske Doline (`RS618` and `RS690` to `RS690`)
- Changed `mmm` and `mmm_doc` variables for Nicaragua and Guatemala from "yes" to "no" and improved information on electoral systems in the codebook

Presidential Elections

- New presidential elections: Austria (Oct. 2022), Brazil (Oct. 2022), Colombia (May 2022), Costa Rica (Feb. 2022), Cyprus (Feb. 2023), Czech Republic (Jan. 2023), France (Apr. 2022), Guatemala (Jun. 2023), Montenegro (Mar. 2023), Paraguay (Apr. 2023), Slovenia (Oct. 2022), South Korea (Mar. 2022), Turkey (May 2023)
- Add missing presidential elections: Serbia, Montenegro (before 2006), North Macedonia (Oct. 1994, Oct. 1999).
- Update of election date: Colombia (May 2006), Colombia (May 2010)
- Improved information on party membership of presidential candidates: Chile (Dec. 2005, Dec. 2009, Nov. 2013), Colombia (May 1998, May 2014), Panama (May 2014, May 2019)
- Update of party membership for Filip Vujanović in Montenegro 2008 and 2013
- Deletion of duplicated entry: Georgia (Oct. 2018)

Governments

- New government data: Australia (Jun. 2022), Barbados (Jan. 2022), Brazil (Jan. 2023), Bulgaria (Aug. 2022, Feb. 2023, Jun. 2023), Chile (Mar. 2022), Colombia (Aug. 2022), Costa Rica (May 2022), Cyprus (Feb. 2023), Denmark (Dec. 2022), Estonia (Jun. 2022, Jul. 2022, Apr. 2023), Finland (Jun. 2023), France (May 2022, Jul. 2022), Greece (May 2023, Jun. 2023), Hungary (May 2022), India (Jul. 2022), Ireland (Dec. 2022), Israel (Jul. 2022, Dec. 2022, Oct. 2023), Italy (Oct. 2022), Latvia (Dec. 2022, Sep. 2023), Luxembourg (Nov. 2023), Malta (Mar. 2022), Moldova (Feb. 2023), Montenegro (Apr. 2022, Oct. 2023), New Zealand (Jan. 2023, Nov. 2023), Paraguay (Aug. 2023), Peru (Nov. 2022, Dec. 2022, Dec. 2022, Jun. 2023), Poland (Jun. 2022, Nov. 2023, Dec. 2023), Portugal (Mar. 2022), Romania (Jun. 2023), Serbia (Oct. 2022), Slovakia (Sep. 2022, May 2023, Oct. 2023), Slovenia (Jun. 2022), South Korea (May 2022), Spain (Nov. 2023), Sweden (Oct. 2022), Switzerland (Dec. 2022, Dec. 2023), Turkey (Jun. 2023), USA (Jan. 2023), United Kingdom (Sep. 2022, Oct. 2022)
- Add missing cabinets: Armenia (May 2017, Apr. 2018), India (Sep. 2020), Montenegro (before 2006), North Macedonia (Jan. 2016)
- Update of cabinet data: Armenia (Aug. 2021), Bolivia (Oct. 2003), Latvia (Dec. 1995, Feb. 1997)
- Update of number of ministers per party: Austria (Dec. 2021)
- Update of government seat share: South Korea (April 2020, May 2021)
- Update of inauguration date: USA (all cabinets following midterm elections)
- Update of Reason for Termination: Switzerland (Dec. 2014)