Election Study Update: Mozambique

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• 1975 - Independence from Portugal
• 1976-1992 - Civil war
• 1994 - First multiparty election
• June 2013- Sept 2014
  – Political instability/conflict
• Forthcoming election: 2014
The Context of Election Study in Mozambique

- **Election:** 15 October 2014 presidential, legislative and provincial assembly
- **Characteristic:** Unique election in the nation’s history differing significantly from all previous elections.
  - The National Electoral Commission has provided for more competitive conditions for political parties to compete in election.
  - The 2014 election is occurring after the signature of a peace agreement following a recent period of political instability and conflict.
  - A new group of voters (the ‘born-frees’) will be participating in the political process.
Update - Fundraising

• The Centre for Research on Governance and Development (CPGD) has provided the Fundraising Proposal to some donor agencies in Mozambique

  – Some are “cautions” about the outcome of the election because of the previous climate of political instability/conflict.

  – Potential funders include: DFID, USAID, SIDA, GIZ, Swiss Cooperation, and DANIDA to follow up after election results
Alternative/Additional Funders

- National Endowment for Democracy
- United Nations Democracy Fund
- Ford Foundation
- National Democratic Institute
- Foreign Affairs, Trade & Development Canada
- World Movement for Democracy - Database of Democracy Funding Sources
Update - Technical Aspects

• CPGD has started translating the standard CSES questionnaire to Portuguese which will be translated to four indigenous languages

• Then follows sample design
  – Random multi-stratified representative sample of 1,200/2,400 adults
  – Representative to rural/urban and provinces

• Training takes 5-6 days
• Fieldwork takes 21-30 days
• Data entry takes about 30 days
• Budget to be secured from different donors: US$170,000
• Fieldwork must be within 6 months after election: Nov-April
  – Jan-April: raining season
Thank You

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