

### The containing phase - stabilising Namibia' corruption

Leverage points can provide early gains to inspire the momentum for change in containing corruption.

The idea of using leverage points as part of the transformation process originated from Meadows. A number of "specific" leverage points were derived from Meadows, Klitgaard's 2010 publication "Corruption in Haiti" and Rose-Ackerman's 1999 publication "Corruption and Government: Causes, Consequences and Reform".

The author of this article adjusted, blended and synthesised leverage points from different authors to meet the unique requirements for Namibia's problem situation.

#### KEY DRIVERS

Key drivers, also known as the five dimensions of development (namely economics; politics; knowledge, science and technology; ethics and inspiration) and key uncertainties (co-producers, not factors because corruption does not have causes) are central in containing corruption. Probable interactions of key uncertainties and how they can unfold are going to be described in articles that follow, and from that, key interven-



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tions/strategies (leverage points) will be constructed.

Leverage points/strategies will be discussed in sequence for the logical flow of arguments. However, leverage points are overlapping and not mutually exclusive, because a social change process is complex and dynamic, not sequential. Change of a complex and systemic system such as corruption is not a step by step process that can be managed in a predetermined anticipated linear way.

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