



Gender and Power Dynamics in Ghanaian Political Transitions: A Comparative Perspective

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Abstract

Ghana has experienced several political transitions over the past decades, marked by varying gender representation and power dynamics within its institutions. The research employs a mixed-methods approach, utilising both historical documents and interviews with key stakeholders from various political parties and civil society organizations. Our analysis reveals that women's participation in leadership roles has increased over time, particularly in grassroots movements but remains underrepresented in higher echelons of government. Despite these improvements, significant barriers persist, such as entrenched patriarchal norms and limited access to resources for female political actors. Policy recommendations include the promotion of gender-sensitive training programmes for party cadres and increased funding for women's empowerment initiatives. Ghana, Political Transitions, Gender Dynamics, Power Distribution

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