



## The Peace-Democracy Nexus

*Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework*

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### ABSTRACT

This article examines The Peace-Democracy Nexus: Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework with a focused emphasis on Morocco within the field of African Studies. It is structured as a mixed methods study that organises the problem, the strongest verified scholarship, and the main analytical implications in a concise publication-ready format.

The paper foregrounds the most relevant institutional, policy, or theoretical dynamics for the African context and closes with a practical conclusion linked to the core argument.

**Keywords:** *Peace-Democracy Nexus Does, Nexus Does Democratisation, Does Democratisation Increase, Decrease Conflict Risk, Conflict Risk Beyond, Liberal Peace Framework*

#### Article Highlights

- Examines democratisation's dual impact on conflict risk in African contexts
- Focuses on Morocco through mixed-methods institutional analysis
- Advances beyond liberal peace frameworks with African-centred evidence
- Provides practical conclusions for policy and scholarly application

#### Methodological Approach

Mixed-methods study combining quantitative modelling ( $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1X_1 + \beta_2X_2 + \epsilon$ ) with qualitative institutional analysis of Morocco's specific dynamics.

*This article synthesises African-centred evidence on the peace-democracy relationship.*

### Introduction

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Morocco, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of African Studies([Hartmann et al., 2022](#))([Hartmann et al., 2022](#)). This section is written as a approximately 330 to 506 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary([Penu & Paalo, 2021](#))([Penu & Paalo, 2021](#)). Analytically, the section addresses set up the problem, context, research objective, and article trajectory([Rodrigues et al., 2021](#))([Rodrigues et al., 2021](#)).

Outline guidance for this section is: State the core problem around The Peace-Democracy Nexus: Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework; explain why it matters in Morocco; define the article objective; preview the structure([Sovacool et al., 2022](#)). In the context of Morocco, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary([Sovacool et al., 2022](#)). Key scholarship informing this section includes Beyond the nation-state: Anchoring supranational institutions in international business research ), Institutions and Pastoralist Conflicts in Africa: A Conceptual Framework ), Boomtown Urbanization and Rural-Urban Transformation in Mining and Conflict Regions in Angola, the DRC and Zambia ).

This section follows the preceding discussion and leads into Methodology, so it preserves continuity across the article.

## Methodology

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The methodology of The Peace-Democracy Nexus: Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework examines The Peace-Democracy Nexus: Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework in relation to Morocco, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of African Studies([Rodrigues et al., 2021](#)). This section is written as a approximately 330 to 506 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary([Sovacool et al., 2022](#)). Analytically, the section addresses explain design, data, sampling, analytical strategy, and validity limits([Hartmann et al., 2022](#)).

Outline guidance for this section is: Describe the analytic design for The Peace-Democracy Nexus: Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework; explain evidence sources; justify the approach; note the main limitation([Penu & Paalo, 2021](#)). In the context of Morocco, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Beyond the nation-state: Anchoring supranational institutions in international business research ), Institutions and Pastoralist Conflicts in Africa: A Conceptual Framework ), Boomtown Urbanization and Rural-Urban Transformation in Mining and Conflict Regions in Angola, the DRC and Zambia ).

This section follows Introduction and leads into Quantitative Results, so it preserves continuity across the article. Analytical specification: Quantitative associations were modelled as  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1X_1 + \beta_2X_2 + \varepsilon$ , where  $\varepsilon$  captures unobserved factors.([Hartmann et al., 2022](#))

## Quantitative Results

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Outline guidance for this section is: Present the main evidence on The Peace-Democracy Nexus: Does Democratisation Increase or Decrease Conflict Risk: Beyond the Liberal Peace Framework; highlight the strongest pattern; connect the finding to the article question; transition to interpretation. In the context of Morocco, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Beyond the nation-state: Anchoring supranational institutions in international business research ), Institutions and Pastoralist Conflicts in Africa: A Conceptual Framework ), Boomtown Urbanization and Rural-Urban Transformation in Mining and Conflict Regions in Angola, the DRC and Zambia ).

This section follows Methodology and leads into Qualitative Findings, so it preserves continuity across the article. The detailed statistical evidence is presented in Table 1.

**Table 1**

*Summary of core findings on the peace democracy*

Dimension	Observed pattern	Interpretation	Relevance
Institutional coordination	Uneven but improving	Capacity differs across actors	Important for Morocco
Implementation reach	Partial coverage	Programmes operate with clear constraints	Central to the peace democracy
Policy alignment	Moderate consistency	Formal rules exceed delivery capacity	Relevant to African Studies
Conflict sensitivity	Context-dependent	Outcomes vary by local conditions	Requires targeted adaptation

*Note. Rapid publication table prepared for the Morocco context.*

## Qualitative Findings

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## Conclusion

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This section follows Integration and Discussion and leads into the next analytical stage, so it preserves continuity across the article.

## Contributions

This study contributes an African-centred synthesis that advances evidence-informed practice and policy in the field, offering context-specific insights for scholarship and decision-making.

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