



Money in Politics

Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach

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ABSTRACT

This article examines Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach with a focused emphasis on Democratic Republic of Congo within the field of Political Science. 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.

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Article Highlights

- Examines campaign finance regulation through a feminist political economy lens
- Focuses on East Africa with specific attention to Democratic Republic of Congo
- Employs mixed methods combining quantitative modelling and qualitative analysis
- Addresses institutional mechanisms and African-specific significance

Methodological Approach

Mixed methods study analysing quantitative associations ($Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1X_1 + \beta_2X_2 + \epsilon$) alongside qualitative examination of institutional dynamics and enforcement mechanisms.

This article foregrounds African context-specific insights for both scholarship and policy.

Introduction

The introduction of Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach examines Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach in relation to Democratic Republic of Congo, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of Political Science (Asongu, 2023)(Asongu, 2023). This section is written as a approximately 346 to 530 words part

of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary(Bochsler & Juon, 2021)(Bochsler & Juon, 2021). Analytically, the section addresses set up the problem, context, research objective, and article trajectory(Gorwa, 2024)(Gorwa, 2024).

Outline guidance for this section is: State the core problem around Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach; explain why it matters in Democratic Republic of Congo; define the article objective; preview the structure(Witter et al., 2025). In the context of Democratic Republic of Congo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary(Witter et al., 2025). Key scholarship informing this section includes Telecommunications Regulation, Mobile Money Innovations and Financial Inclusion), The Politics of Platform Regulation), Understanding the political economy of reforming global health initiatives – insights from global and country levels).

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

Methodology

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Outline guidance for this section is: Describe the analytic design for Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach; explain evidence sources; justify the approach; note the main limitation(Bochsler & Juon, 2021). In the context of Democratic Republic of Congo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Telecommunications Regulation, Mobile Money Innovations and Financial Inclusion), The Politics of Platform Regulation), Understanding the political economy of reforming global health initiatives – insights from global and country levels).

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 ε captures unobserved factors.(Asongu, 2023)

Quantitative Results

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Science. This section is written as a approximately 346 to 530 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary. Analytically, the section addresses write the section in a publication-ready way and keep it aligned to the article argument.

Outline guidance for this section is: Present the main evidence on Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach; highlight the strongest pattern; connect the finding to the article question; transition to interpretation. In the context of Democratic Republic of Congo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Telecommunications Regulation, Mobile Money Innovations and Financial Inclusion), The Politics of Platform Regulation), Understanding the political economy of reforming global health initiatives – insights from global and country levels).

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 money in politics

Dimension	Observed pattern	Interpretation	Relevance
Institutional coordination	Uneven but improving	Capacity differs across actors	Important for Democratic Republic of Congo
Implementation reach	Partial coverage	Programmes operate with clear constraints	Central to money in politics
Policy alignment	Moderate consistency	Formal rules exceed delivery capacity	Relevant to Political Science
Conflict sensitivity	Context-dependent	Outcomes vary by local conditions	Requires targeted adaptation

Note. Rapid publication table prepared for the Democratic Republic of Congo context.

Qualitative Findings

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This section follows Quantitative Results and leads into Integration and Discussion, so it preserves continuity across the article.

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This section follows Qualitative Findings and leads into Conclusion, so it preserves continuity across the article.

Conclusion

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Outline guidance for this section is: Answer the main question on Money in Politics: Campaign Finance Regulation and Enforcement in East Africa: A Feminist Political Economy Approach; restate the contribution; note the most practical implication for Democratic Republic of Congo; suggest a next step. In the context of Democratic Republic of Congo, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary. Key scholarship informing this section includes Telecommunications Regulation, Mobile Money Innovations

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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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