

Political Economy of Corruption

Family versus State

- Three or more decades of civil war
- People have depended on their informal networks to survive
- Conflict and state collapse has strengthened family and tribe
- Informal networks penetrate the formal-both a source of fragility and resilience

Mixed Signals

- Little trust in the state/ little perceived legitimacy
- Donors/International Community sent mixed signals
- Compromises have been made/money has passed hands
- International community turned a blind eye when it suited..

Institutions and Rules

- Building institutions and rules takes time
- Needs consistent messaging
- Political buy-in from the top..
- Strong oversight from independent institutions
- Public accountability systems