**Online Supplementary Data file**

**Supplementary Data Figure 1. Data exploration country-by-country**

Graphs below present values of four main variables, separately for each country, for the periods in which data are complete (and were taken into account in the regression models).

**Legend:** ATS change is marked by a solid vertical line(s). Urbanization dynamics (positive change in urban population shares between *t−1* and *t−2*) is visualised by a dashed grey line. Recession is marked by a circle (0 – no recession, 1 – recession observed in *t-1* or *t-2*). Increase in local policy scope is marked by a cross (0 – no increase, 1 – increase observed in *t-1* or *t-2*)

 **Countries with centralized rules**



































**Countries with dispersed rules**



























 













