

WHEN WEDDING BELLS RING: COALITIONS WITH(OUT) CONCORD

Analysis of South Africa's 2021 local elections and coalitions
Report Launch

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South Africa conducted its sixth set of municipal elections since the start of the democratic era (and the introduction of democratically elected local government in 2000) on 1 November 2021. 27 years into South African multiparty democracy, the 2021 local government elections revealed remarkable declines in levels of participation generally.

The analysis and report of the study assess three main objectives:

- The trends in local elections 2021, projected nationally and provincially, in the details of municipal results
- Result trends for both the party political results and turnout-participation in current and former coalition-governed municipalities
- The constitution of coalition governments in metropolitan and local municipalities during the post-election period of early to late November-December 2021



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