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# Advancing SDG 16 and Governance Indicators in the Arab Region

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## TODAY'S CONTEXT: A MORE COMPLEX WORLD WITH A TRUST DEFICIT DISORDER

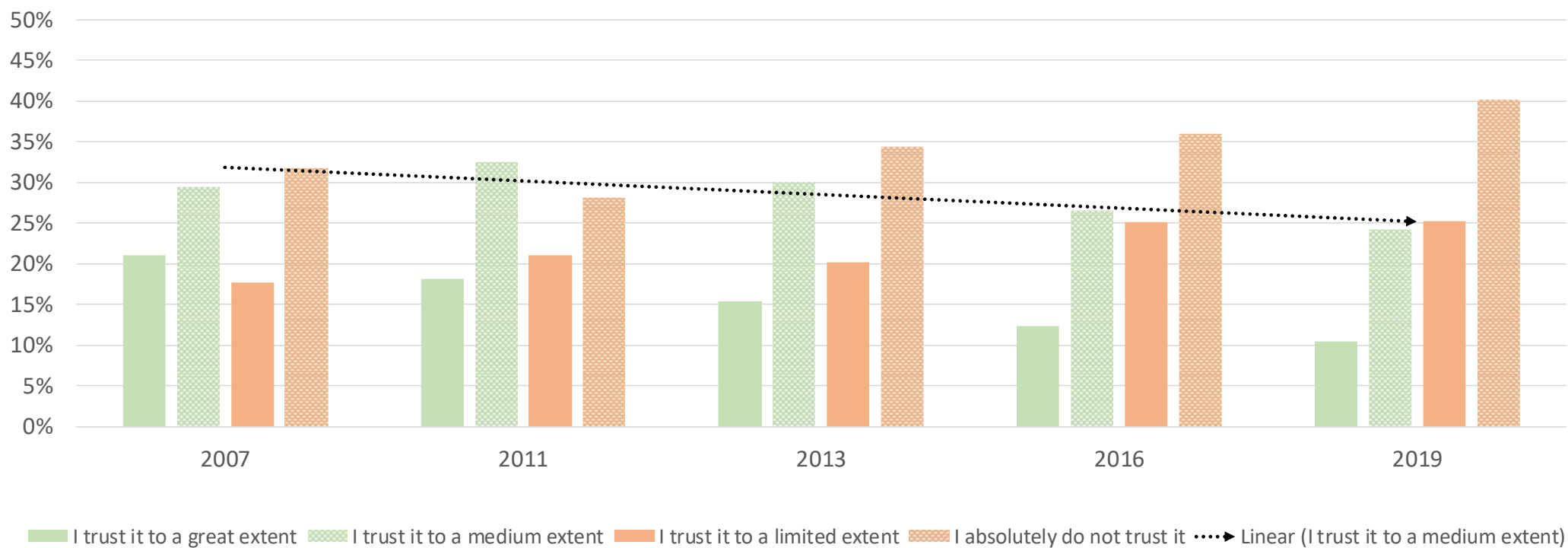
- Uneven nature of globalization
- Deepening divide between people and political establishments
- “Trust Deficit Disorder”



## SYMPTOMS OF THE TRUST DEFICIT DISORDER IN THE ARAB REGION

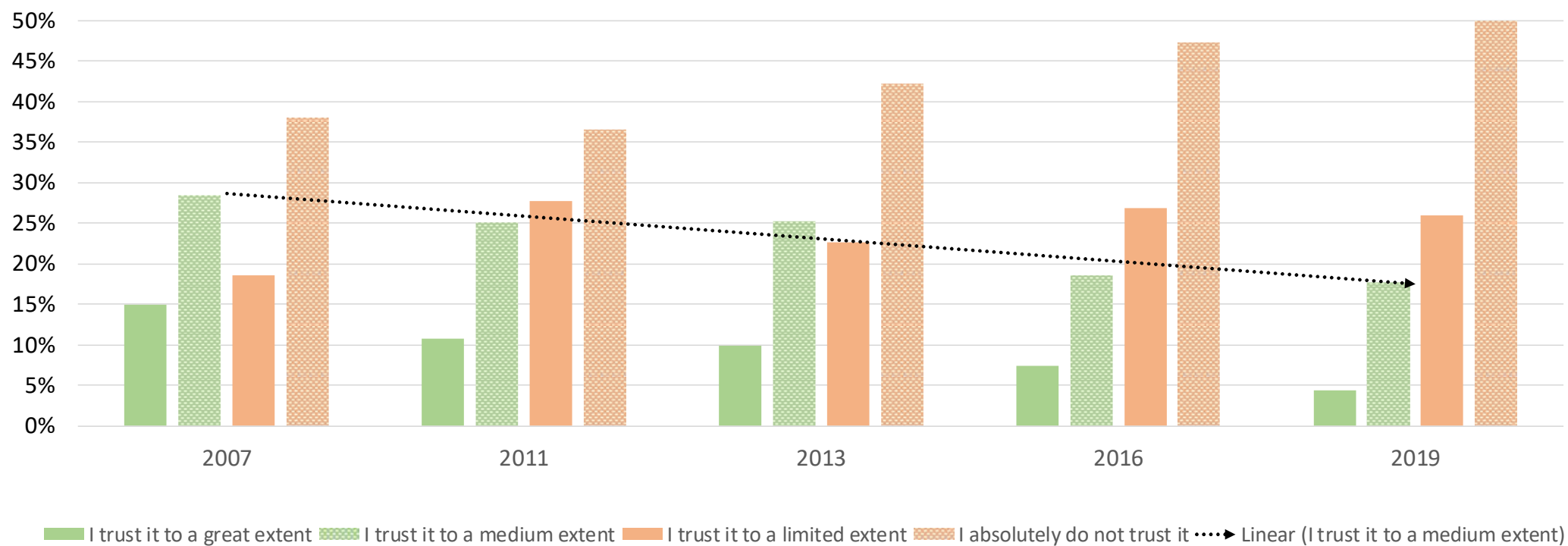
- Trust in public institutions
- Satisfaction with public services
- Protests and armed

## TRUST IN GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS: COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (2007-2019)



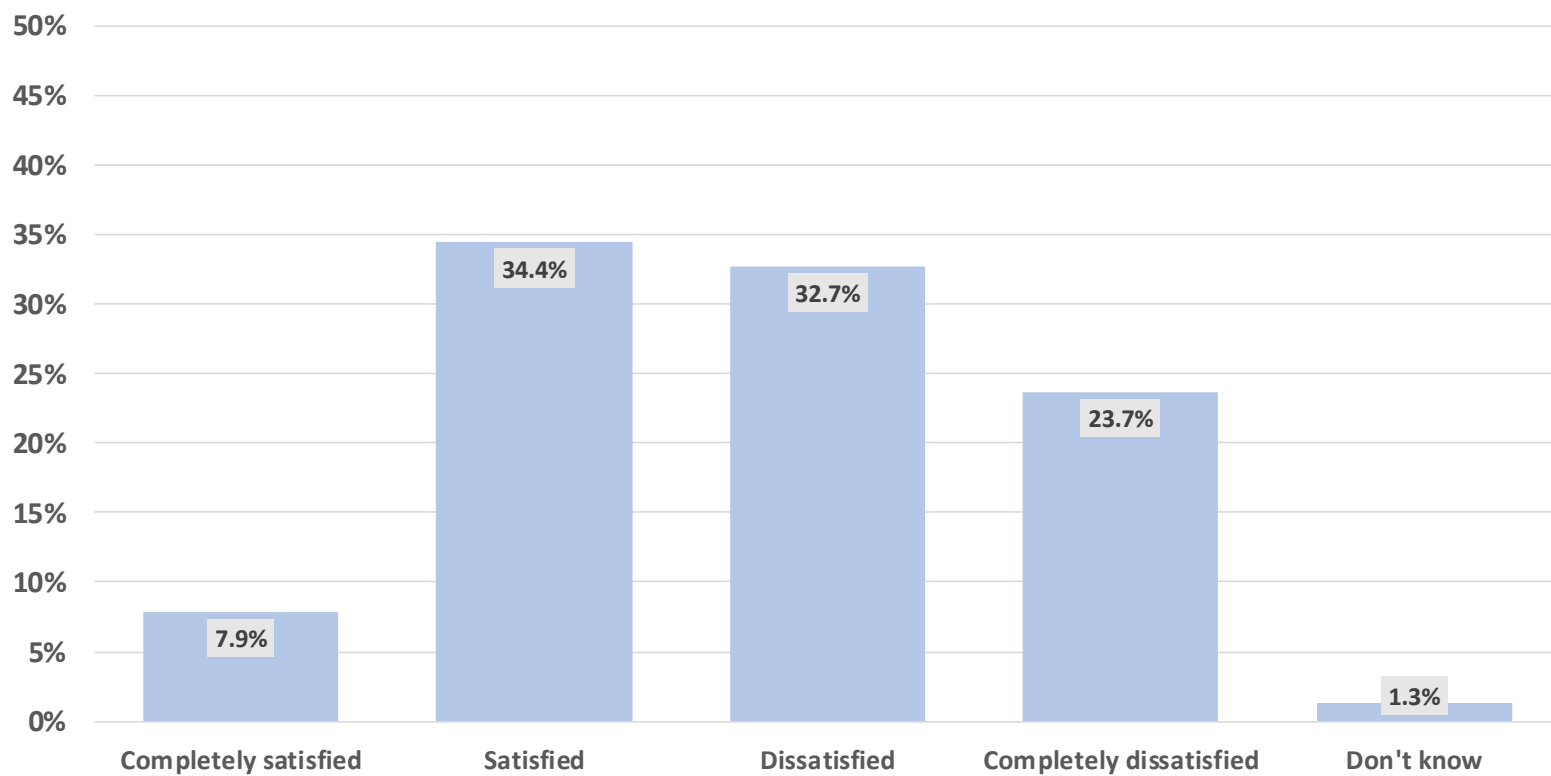
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## TRUST IN ELECTED COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES: THE PARLIAMENT (2007-2019)



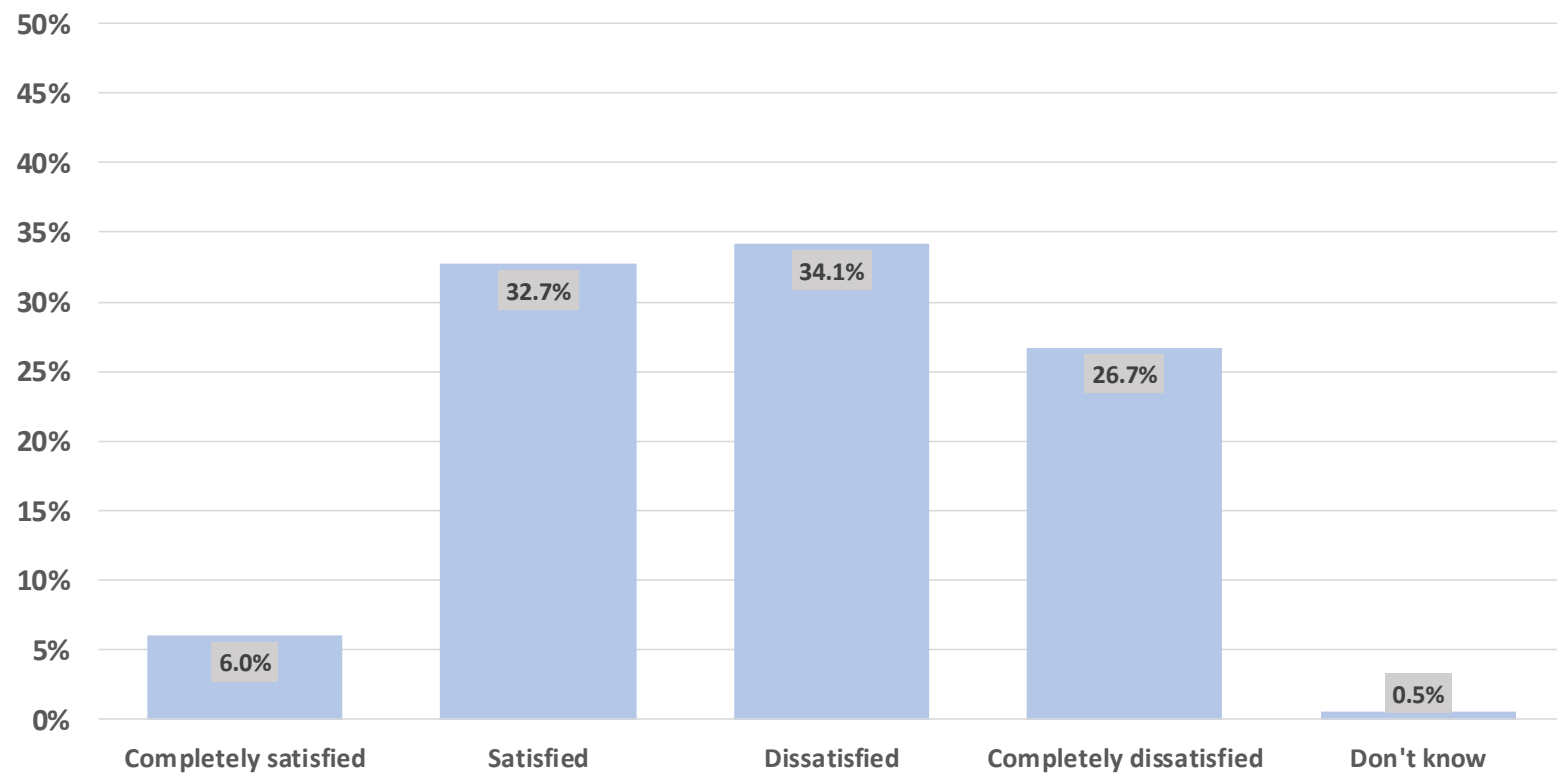
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## SATISFACTION WITH THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM (2019)



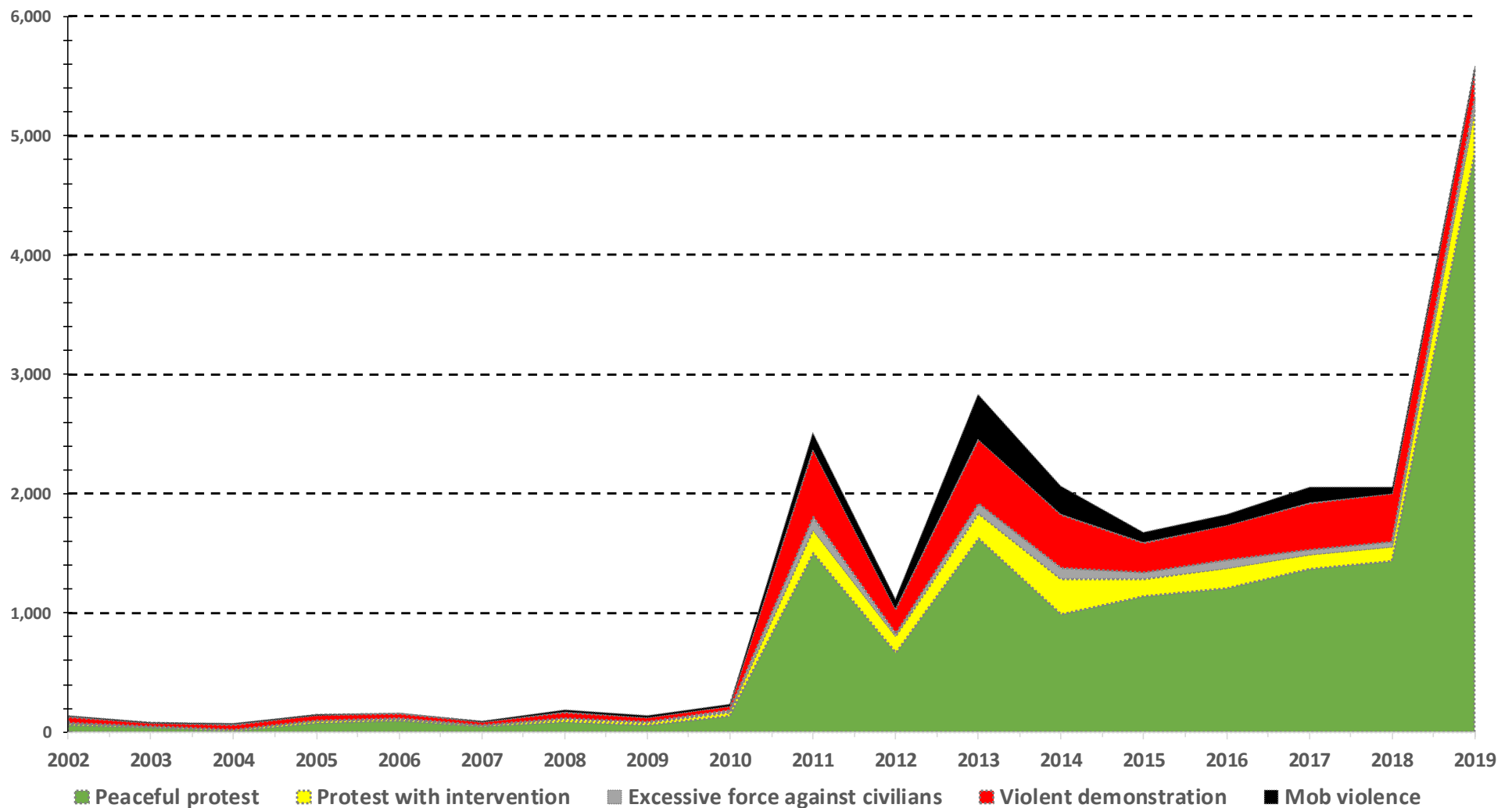
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## SATISFACTION WITH THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM (2019)



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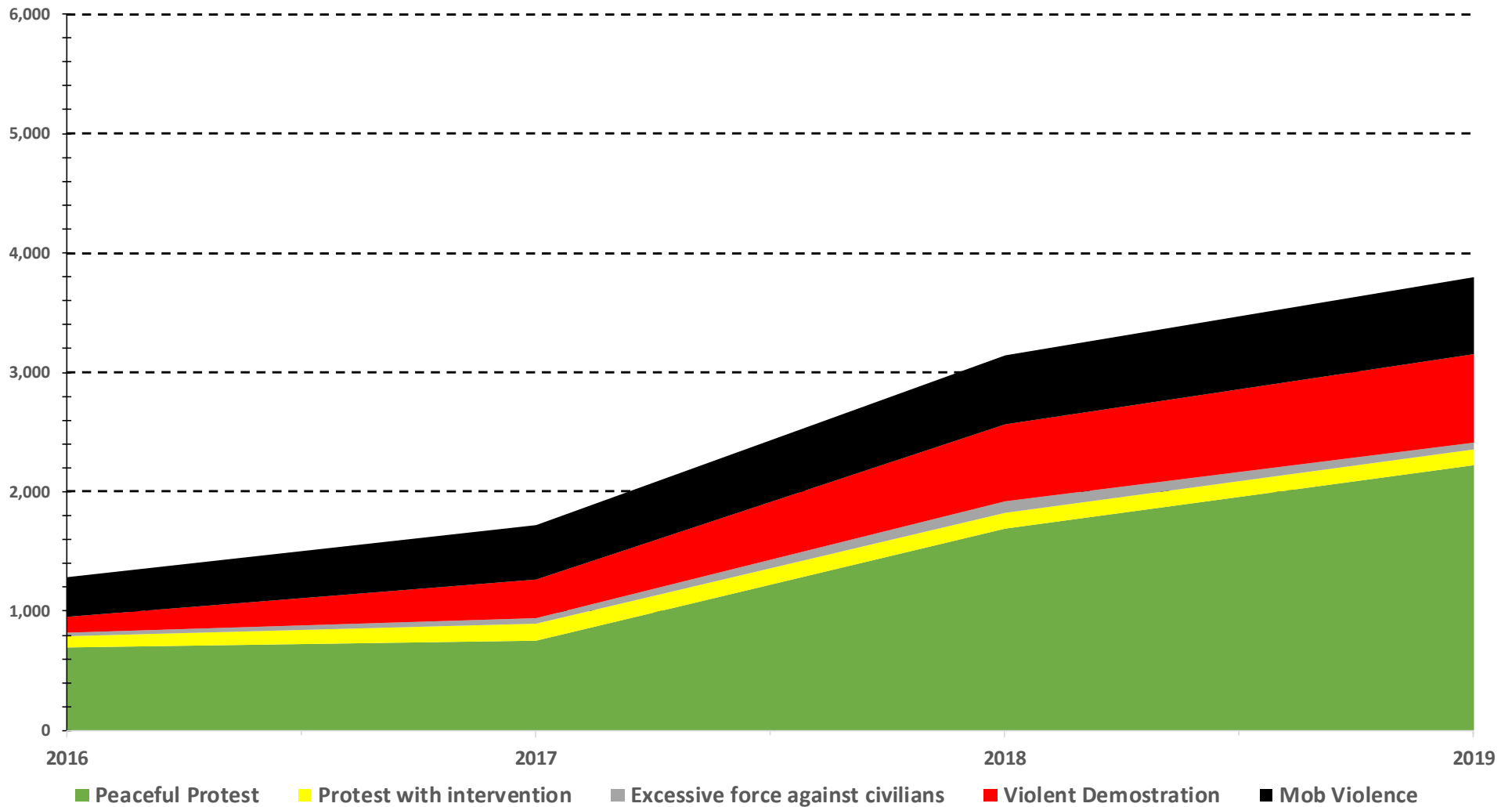
## PROTESTS AND RIOTS IN THE NORTH AFRICAN AND SUB-SAHARAN MEMBER STATES OF THE LAS 2002-2019



Source: ACLED Database 2019. Countries Included: Algeria, Djibouti, Egypt, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia, Somalia and Sudan

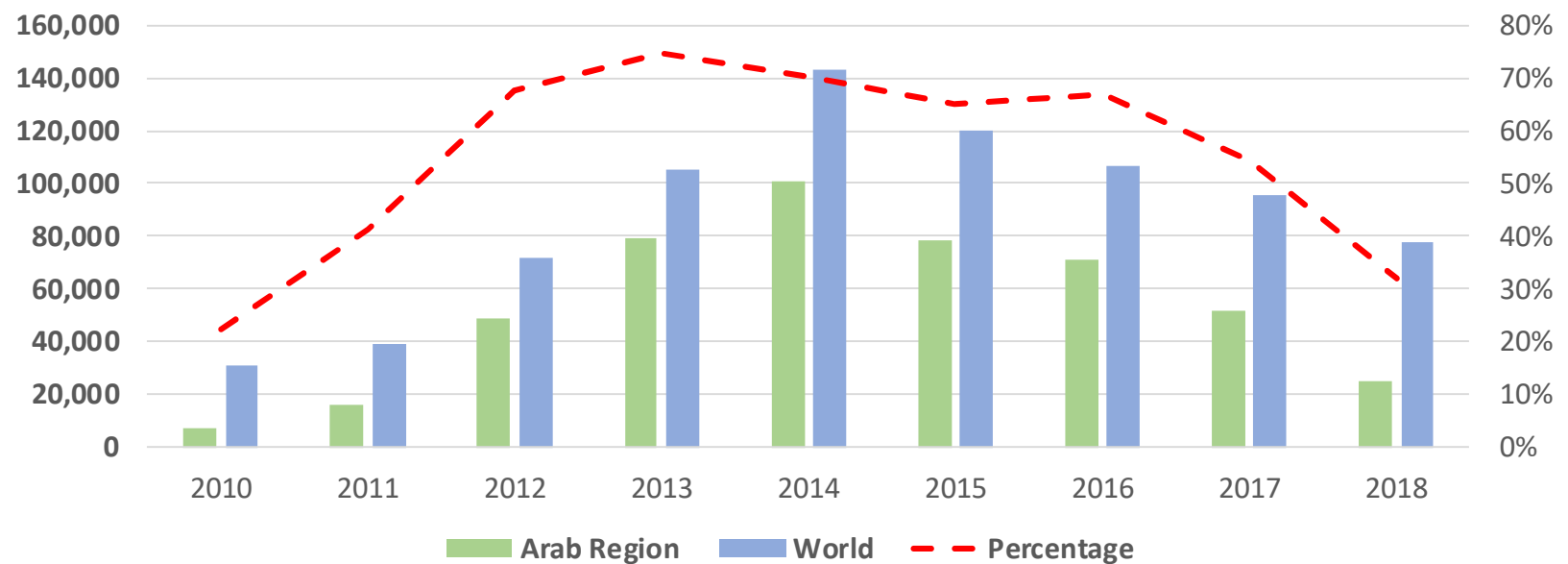


## PROTESTS AND RIOTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND GULF COUNTRIES OF THE LAS 2016-2019



Source: ACLED Database 2019. Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates and Yemen

## 2010 – 2018: ANNUAL BATTLE-RELATED DEATHS IN THE ARAB REGION AND THE WORLD

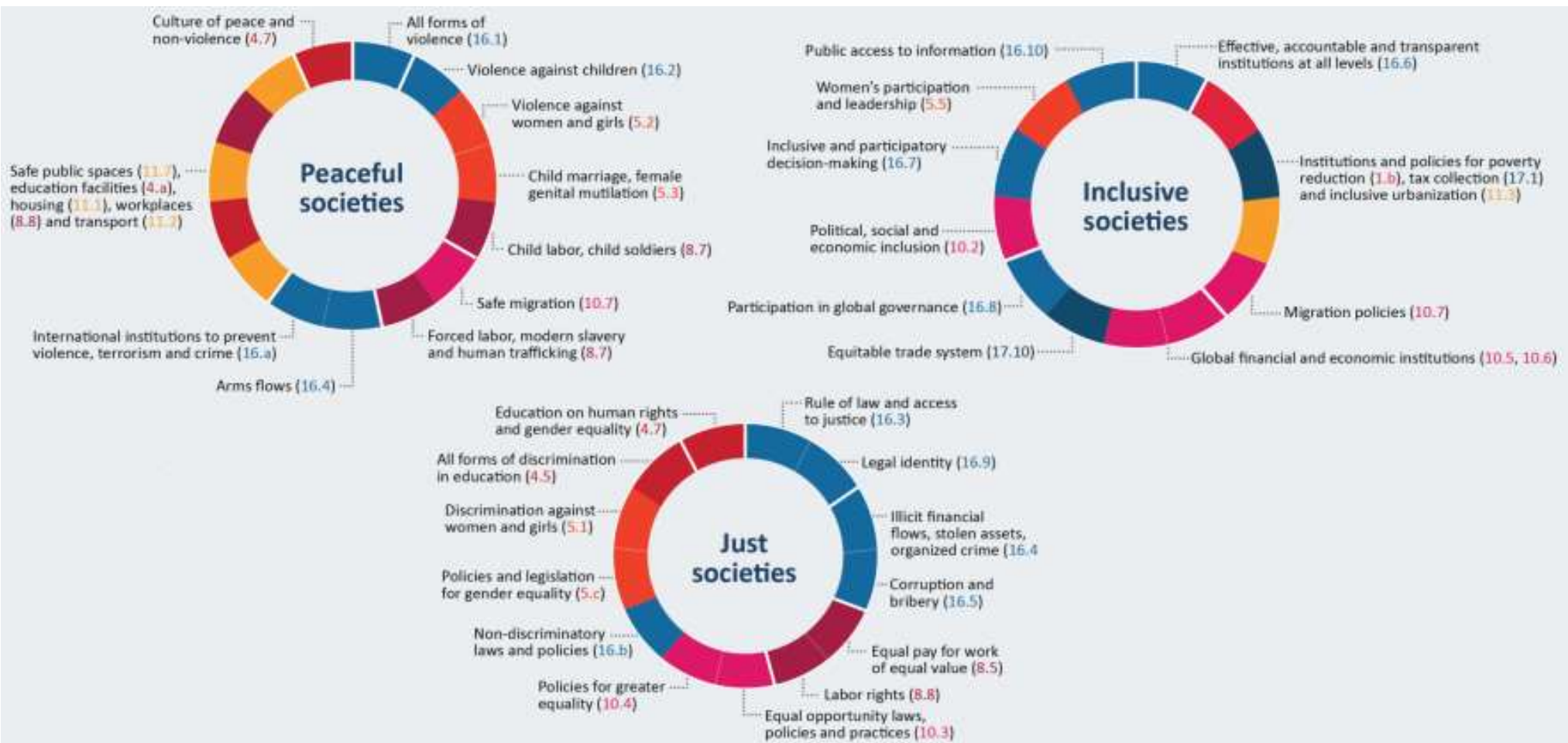


Source: UCDP PRIO 19.1

## THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE 2030 AGENDA AND SDG 16 AS THE ENABLING GOAL

- Governance Indicators: the tools to rebuild the connection
- The 2030 Agenda as an opportunity
- SDG 16: the enabling goal to advance the agenda





## KEY POINTS TO IMPROVE/DEVELOP A REGIONAL APPROACH TO MONITORING GOVERNANCE?

Issues to consider:

- Governance in the region is not monolithic
- Importance to differentiate between structural, process and outcome indicators
- Data sources: traditional vs new data sources
- Official vs non official data providers
- National priorities

## IN SUM, CAN TRUST BE REGAIN AND HOW? + QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- The Arab region is not an exception to the Trust Deficit Disorder
- Better governance practices are at vital for its treatment
- The 2030 Agenda and SDG 16 provides the framework to generate more meaningful action on governance
- Where are the obstacles to advance progress, issues of technical assistance and cost?



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