

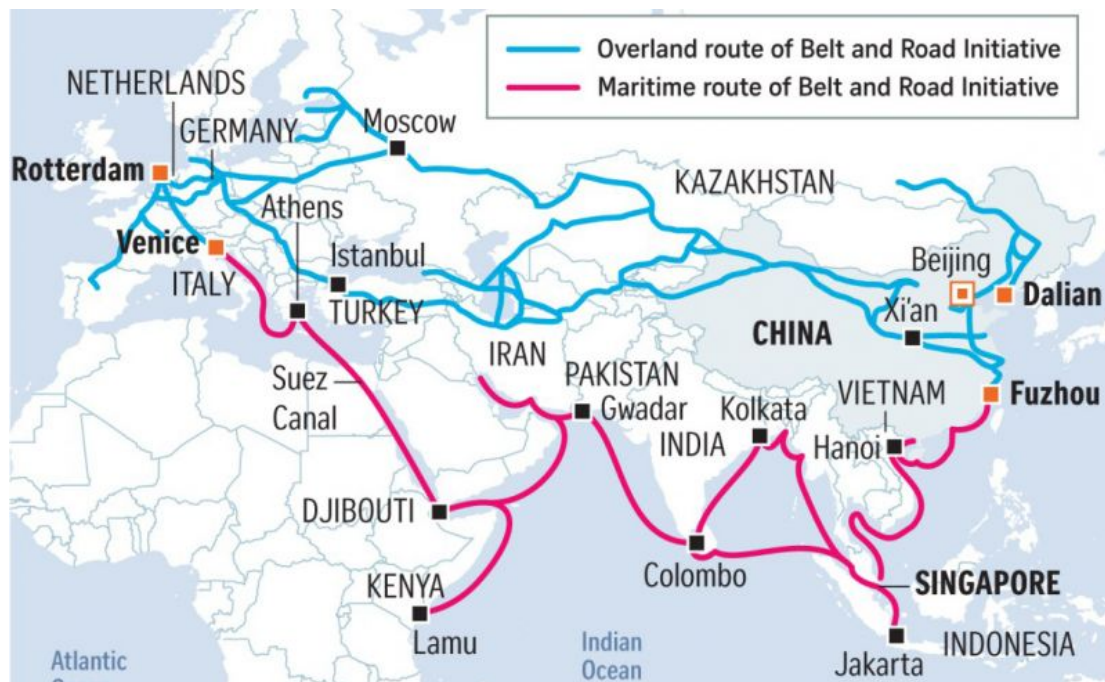
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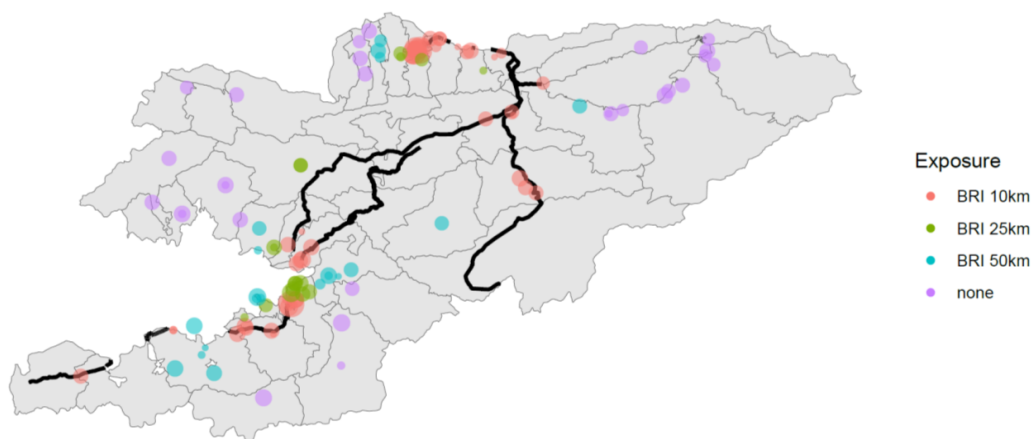
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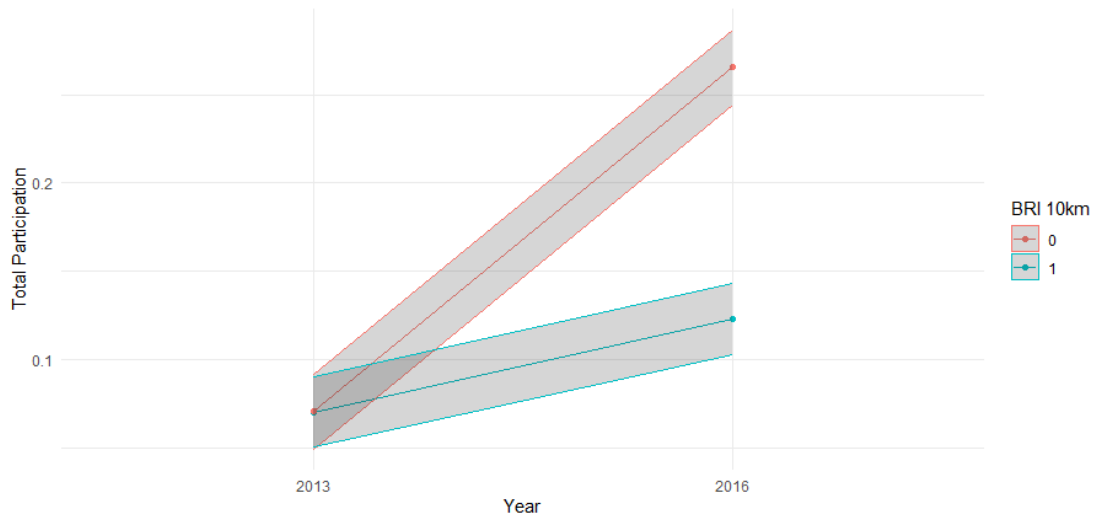
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Map of BRI and LIK Respondents



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BRI Exposure and Civic Participation



Predicted Probability of Total Participation by BRI Exposure

Mediated Effects of Causal Mechanisms

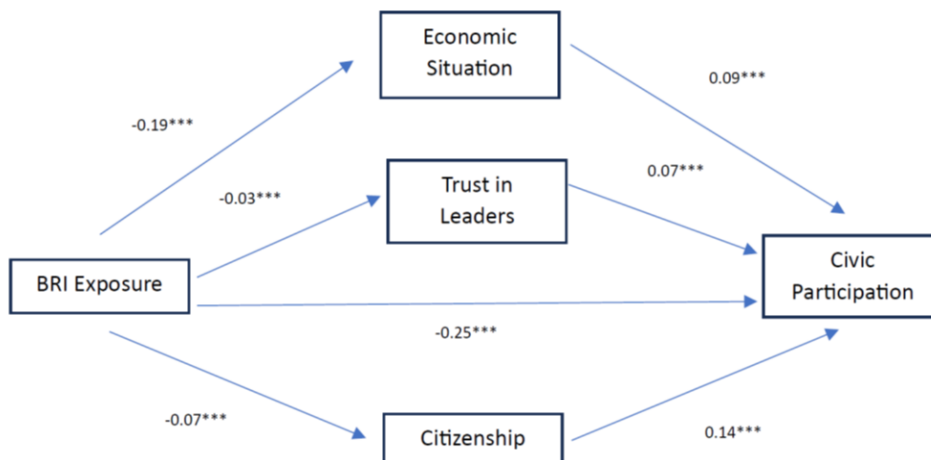


Diagram of Causal Pathways Linking BRI Exposure to Total Participation

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