Figure—The Sequential Model of Human Empowerment

Action Resources $\rightarrow$ Self-Expression Values $\rightarrow$ Democratic Freedoms

Note: Percentages indicate explained variances based on analyses of data from 79 societies. Coefficients are factor loadings on the single underlying dimension.

Figure—The Human Empowerment Linkages before controlling for the influence of historic traditions

$\text{Prevalence of Self-Expression Values (mid 1990s)}$  

$\text{Availability of Action Resources (early 1990s)}$  

$r = .90^{***}$
Prevalence of Self-Expression Values (early 1990s)

Effective Democratic Freedoms (2000-02)

$r = .89***$
Figure—The Human Empowerment linkages, after controlling for the influence of historic traditions

Interpretation:
Controlling for the effect of a Protestant tradition, if a society's resources are relatively widespread, self-expression values will also be correspondingly widespread.

Availability of Action Resources
(controlling for Protestant tradition)

Prevalence of Self-Expression Values
(controlling for Protestant tradition)
**Interpretation:**
Controlling for how long a society has experienced democracy, if self-expression values are relatively widespread, effective democracy will be relatively strong.

**Effective Democracy**
(controlling for length of democratic tradition)

**Prevalence of Self-Expression Values**
(controlling for length of democratic tradition)

Partial $r (.77***)$