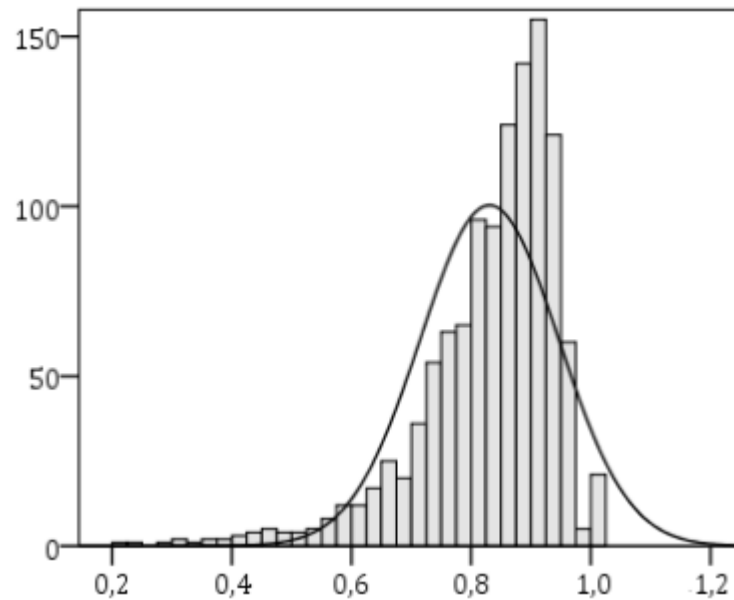


Appendix

Appendix 1

Graph 01A. Histogram of the “index of affinity” variable



Note: Kolmogorov-Smirnov $Z = 3.677$; $p\text{-value} < 0.01$.

Source: Voeten (2013) – United Nations General Assembly Voting Data.

Appendix 2

Table 01A. Affinity score of each country in the regional blocs in relation to their BRICS leader

BRICS leader	Led countries	Affinity
BRAZIL (USAN mean = 0.882)	Guyana	0.911
	Chile	0.906
	Ecuador	0.899
	Suriname	0.895
	Uruguay	0.894
	Paraguay	0.893
	Bolivia	0.891
	Peru	0.885
	Venezuela	0.869
	Colombia	0.868
RUSSIA (CIS mean = 0.679)	Argentina	0.795
	Belarus	0.757
	Tajikistan	0.742
	Kazakhstan	0.722
	Armenia	0.718
	Kyrgyzstan	0.709
	Azerbaijan	0.692
	Turkmenistan	0.675
	Uzbekistan	0.674
	Ukraine	0.558
INDIA (SAARC mean = 0.787)	Moldova	0.554
	Pakistan	0.851
	Sri Lanka	0.793
	Bangladesh	0.784
	Bhutan	0.783
	Nepal	0.781
	Afghanistan	0.771
	Maldives	0.750
	Vietnam	0.926
	Myanmar	0.920
CHINA (ASEAN mean = 0.876)	Laos	0.910
	Brunei	0.885
	Indonesia	0.881
	Malaysia	0.879
	Cambodia	0.860
	Philippines	0.848
	Thailand	0.828
	Singapore	0.825
	Mozambique	0.915
	Namibia	0.911
SOUTH AFRICA (SADC mean = 0.886)	Lesotho	0.911
	Seychelles	0.901
	Zambia	0.901
	Angola	0.898
	Madagascar	0.891
	Zimbabwe	0.891
	Botswana	0.885
	Tanzania	0.885
	Swaziland	0.882
	Mauritius	0.876
	Malawi	0.860
	Democ. Rep. of Congo	0.798