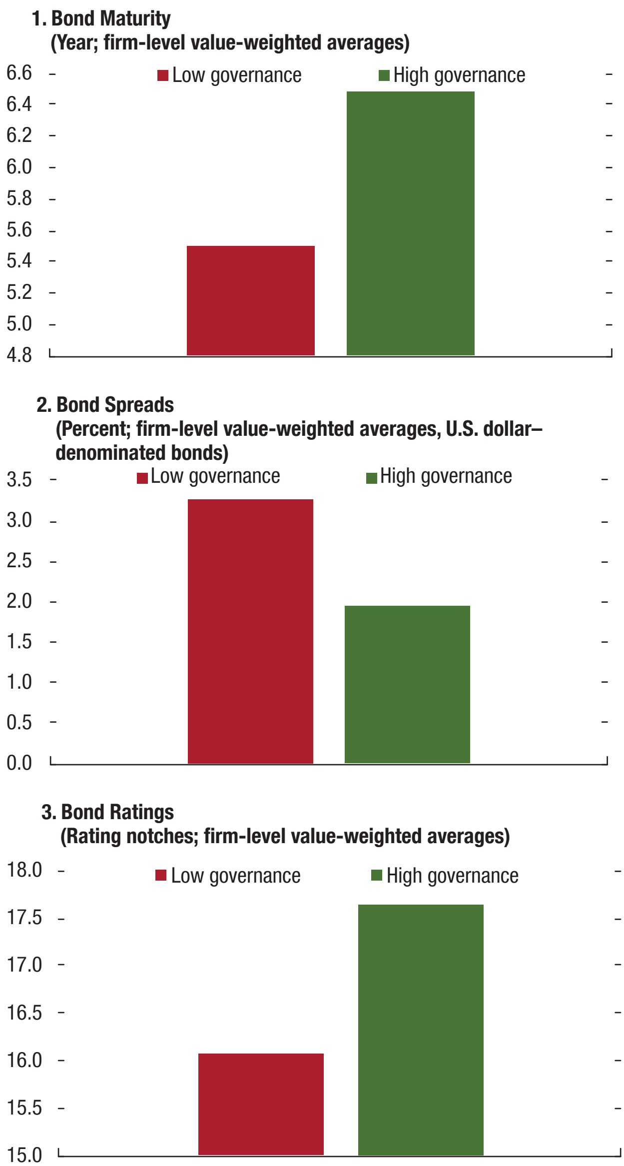
Figure 3.16. Firm-Level Governance and the Bond Market

Better-governed firms that tapped bond markets were able to borrow at longer maturities and had higher credit ratings and lower spreads.



Sources: Bloomberg L.P.; Dealogic; Thomson Reuters Datastream; and IMF staff calculations.
Note: Bond maturity = maturity at issuance; bond rating = issuer's S&P credit rating; bond spread = spreads vis-à-vis the U.S. Treasury bonds with similar maturity; high governance = firm governance above 75th percentile; low governance = firm governance below 25th percentile.