GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

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OBJECTIVES

What patterns do we see in attitudes to inclusive education among partner countries?

Which challenges to strengthening IE are common across diverse contexts?

A success story in **leveraging partnership with CSOs** to advance inclusion

Looking ahead GDS, Board SP and GPE 2025

ATTITUDES TO IE IN PARTNER COUNTRIES ARE EVOLVING

During the strategic period 2020-2025 among out 90+ partner countries...





PATTERNS OF EXCLUSION

Children with disabilities are impacted by multiple barriers to access and full participation

Of the 240 million children with disabilities worldwide:

- 49% less likely to have never attended school
- 42% less likely to achieve foundational literacy and numeracy
- Averages disguise additional barriers imposed by children in relation to their gender, location, protection status etc.





TRANSFORMING SYSTEMS TO BECOME INCLUSIVE

Inclusive education systems support access and learning, and challenge the harmful social norms which perpetuate exclusion



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Transforming Education Resource: <u>GOING FURTHER TOGETHER: A PARTNERSHIP</u> <u>APPROACH TO GENDER EQUALITY</u>



DATA AND EVIDENCE

Without clear data on disabilities governments cannot understand or respond to all children's needs in terms of access, participation and learning.



Estimated percentage of global population with a disability.





Of GPE partner countries disaggregate key education statistics by disability



Resource: <u>DATA USE INNOVATIONS FOR EDUCATION MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS IN THE</u> <u>GAMBIA, UGANDA, AND TOGO; INCLUSIVE HOME-BASED EARLY LEARNING; WHO FACTSHEET ON DISABILITIES</u>

BUDGETING AND FINANCING FOR INCLUSION

Inclusion benefits everyone: When inclusion is higher societies experience higher economic growth, less violence and conflict, higher resilience to climate change



Investing in assistive technology for children with disabilities can...

... increase lifetime earnings by over \$100,000*.





***Resource:** <u>How to finance disability inclusion in Education to transform systems and leave no one behind</u>

Pictures: GPE, UNICEF.

CIVIL SOCIETY'S ROLE IN INCLUSIVE PLANNING, BUDGETING, MONITORING

Education Out Loud supports CSO coalitions to engage in policy dialogue and to support mutual accountability



Strengthening inclusive education in Cabo Verde:

- 2016 proposal for a legal framework for inclusive education in pre-primary, primary, secondary
- 2020-2024 targeted CSO support to 2 municipalities
- 2021 new minister of education appointed; CSO advocacy renews
- 2024 Law promulgated, guaranteeing the inclusion of children with special educational needs



Resource: <u>INCLUSIVE EDUCATION: CABO VERDE LEADS THE WAY FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES</u>

GENERATING AND DISSEMINATING EVIDENCE: KIX GLOBALLY





A comparative study of accelerated education programs and girls' focused education models Ghana, Nigeria, and Sierra Leone

The Impact of Gender and Inclusive Pedagogies on Students' Participation and Learning Achievement at Secondary School During the Pandemic and Beyond



Projects ending December 2024

ANY QUESTIONS? THANKS



