



# INVESTING *in* GIRLS' EDUCATION DELIVERS RESULTS

WHEN WE *fail* TO INVEST IN GIRLS' EDUCATION  
MILLIONS OF GIRLS AND WOMEN ARE LOCKED OUT OF OPPORTUNITIES



in 2011  
**GLOBALLY 57 MILLION CHILDREN ARE NOT IN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**MORE THAN HALF ARE GIRLS<sup>1</sup>**



THERE ARE **775 MILLION** ILLITERATE ADULTS WORLDWIDE

**2 of 3** ARE WOMEN<sup>2</sup>

SOME COUNTRIES **LOSE MORE THAN \$1 BILLION PER YEAR**

**BY FAILING TO EDUCATE GIRLS TO THE SAME LEVEL AS BOYS<sup>3</sup>**



WHEN WE *successfully* INVEST IN GIRLS' EDUCATION

WOMEN'S EDUCATION HAS PREVENTED **4 MILLION** CHILD DEATHS IN THE PAST 40 YEARS<sup>4</sup>

LIFE EXPECTANCY INCREASES



A CHILD WHOSE MOTHER CAN READ IS **50%** MORE LIKELY TO LIVE PAST AGE 5<sup>5</sup>

WOMEN EARN MORE

ONE ADDITIONAL SCHOOL YEAR CAN INCREASE A WOMAN'S EARNINGS BY **10% TO 20%**<sup>5</sup>



INVESTING IN GIRLS' EDUCATION COULD BOOST AGRICULTURAL OUTPUT IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA BY **25%**<sup>6</sup>

ECONOMIES PROSPER

**1%** INCREASE IN WOMEN WITH A SECONDARY EDUCATION RAISES A NATION'S ANNUAL PER CAPITA ECONOMIC GROWTH BY **0.3%**<sup>7</sup>



## Investments in Girls = Results

**GIRLS COMPLETING PRIMARY SCHOOL IN GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR EDUCATION COUNTRIES<sup>8</sup>**



**21 GPE** DEVELOPING PARTNER COUNTRIES had as many **girls** as boys completing primary school in 2011.<sup>9</sup>



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