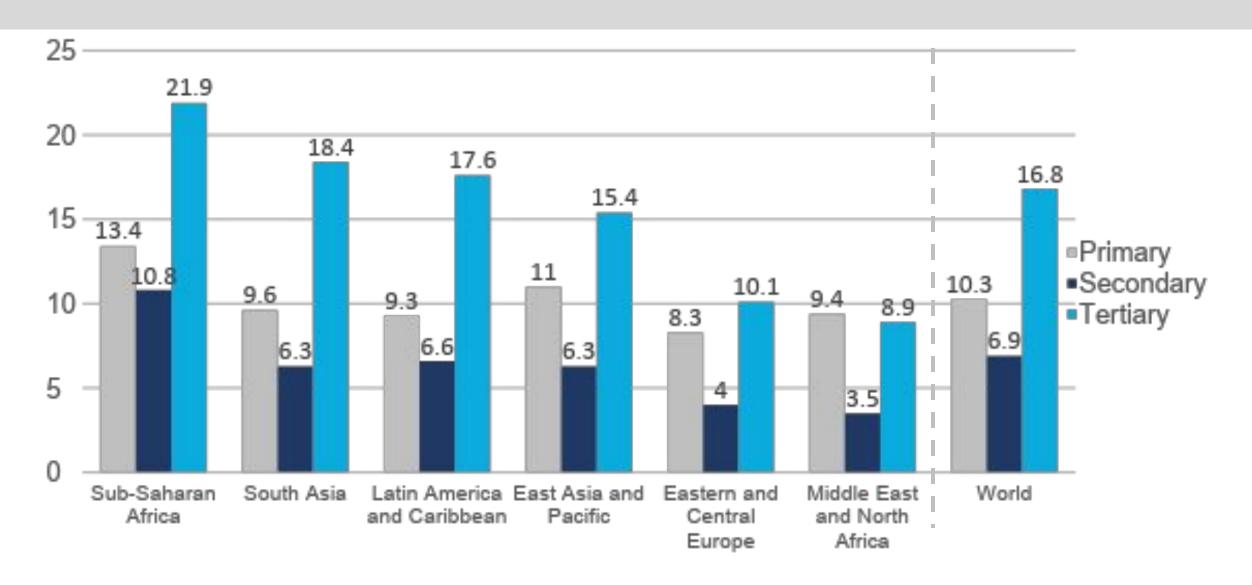
Global Trends and the Future of Higher Education



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Returns to schooling



Social returns to tertiary education are high



440

53%

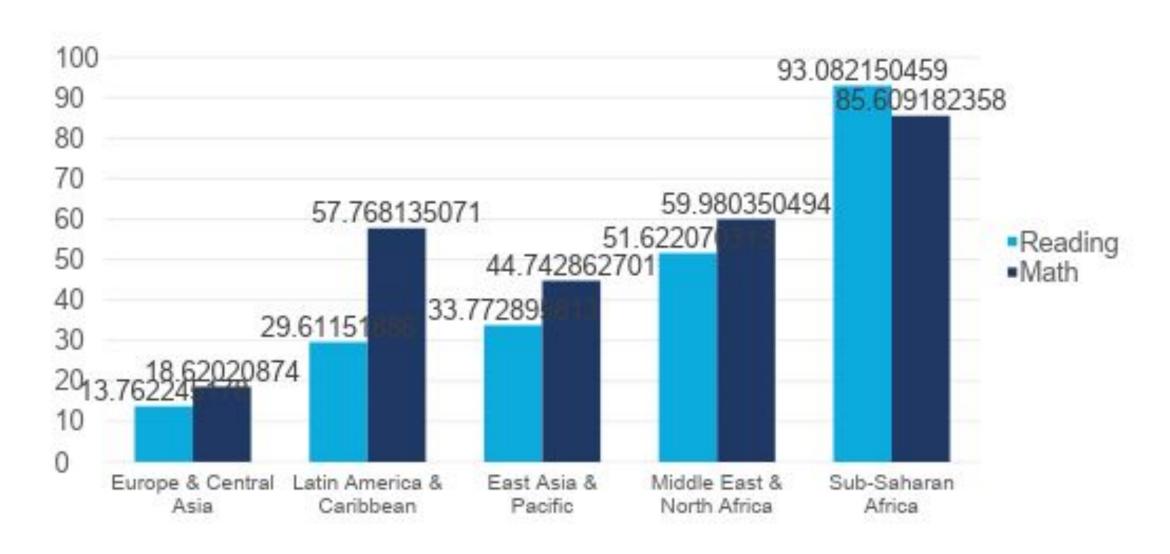
Reading

Math

What does low quality learning feel like?

This This is is how how most most 3rd-grade kids 3rd-grade kids in in rich low-income countries countries read, read at best

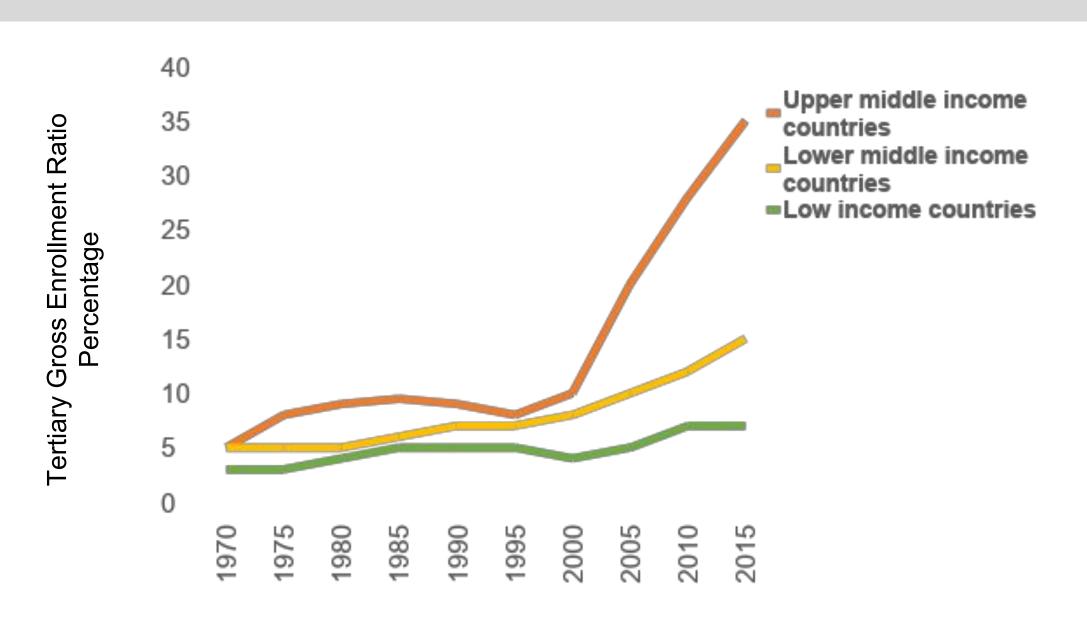
% of primary school students that DON'T reach a minimum proficiency level



Schooling is not learning

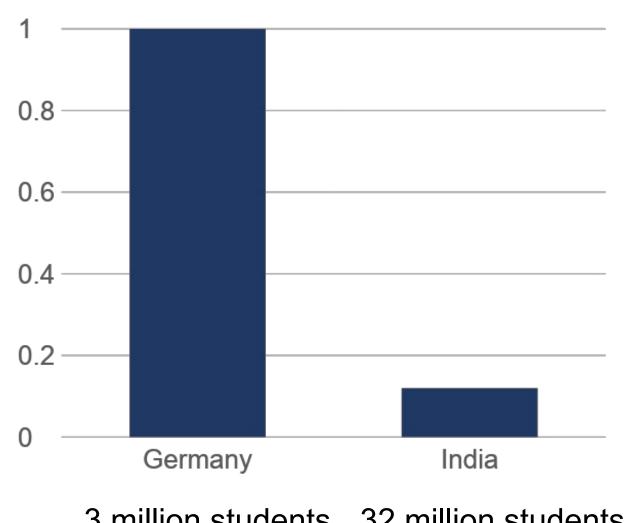


Booming higher education enrollments



Accredited public universities

Are students learning in ALL institutions?



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3 million students 32 million students

Four critical issues in higher education

Equity Flexibility

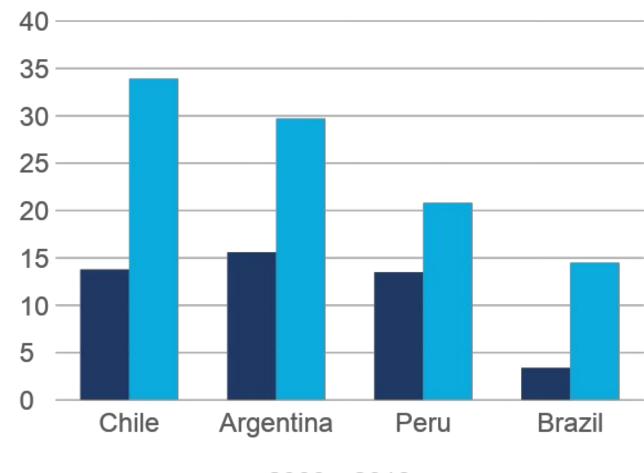
Governance

Innovation

1 Equity

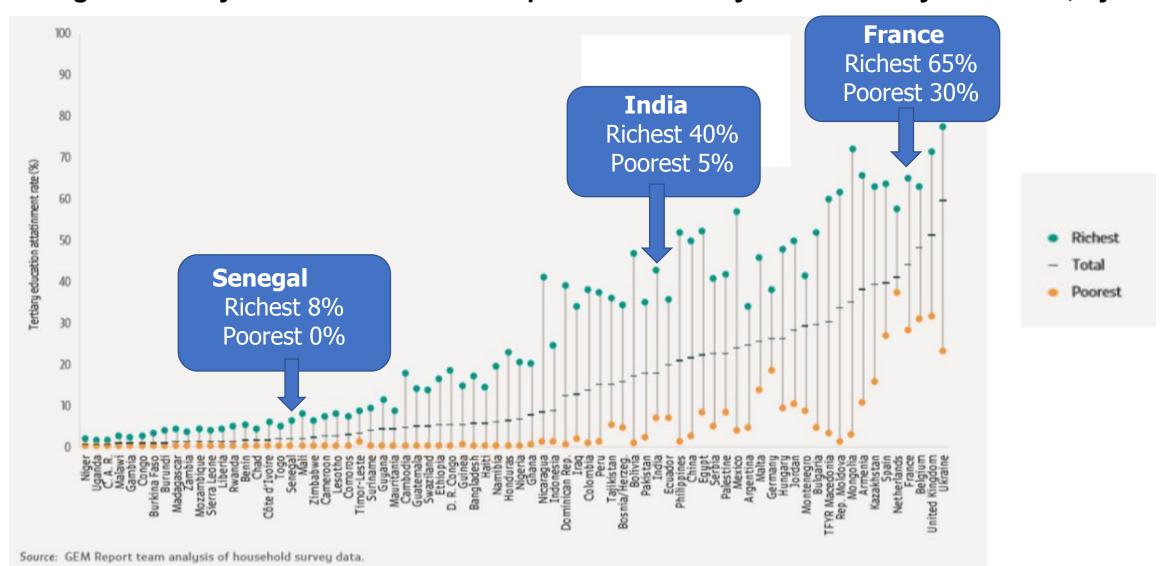
Sharp rise in access among the poor

Higher education students in the bottom 40% of income (%)



Tertiary education remains a privilege

Percentage of 25-29 years old who have completed at least 4 years of tertiary education, by wealth

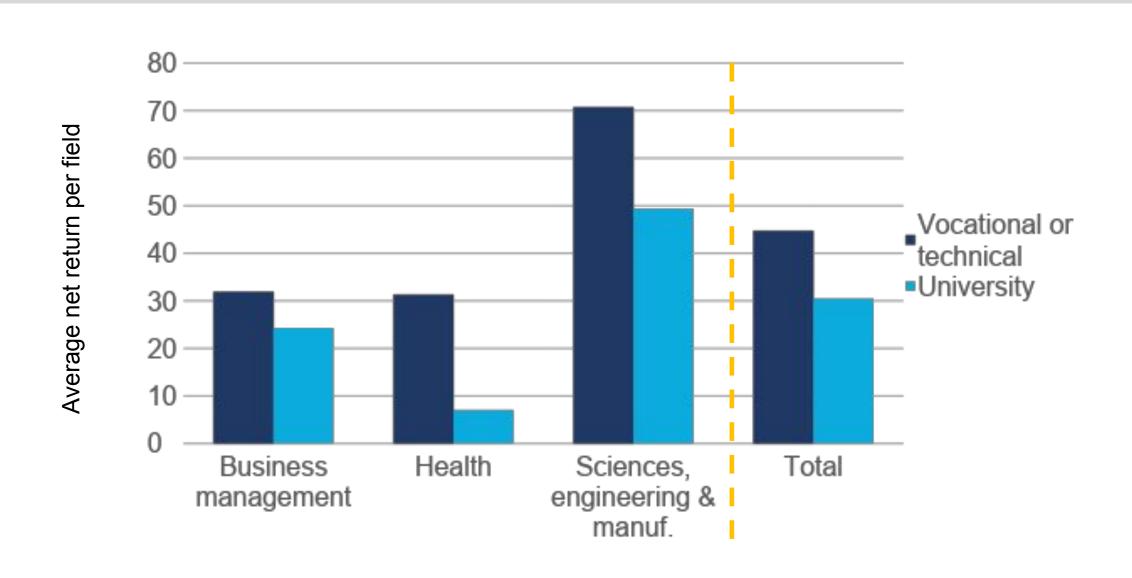


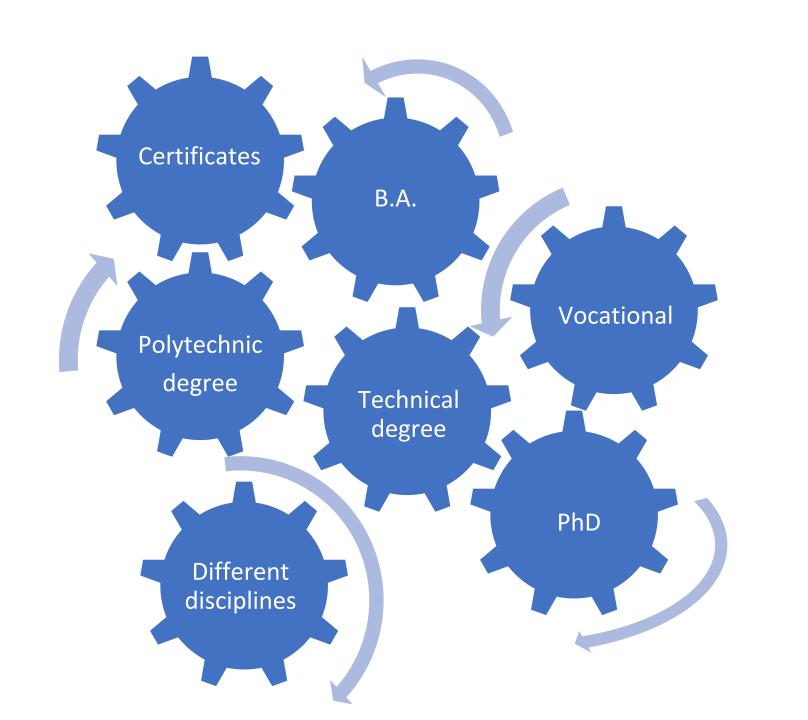
Balance equality of opportunities with high academic standards

2 Flexibility



Net returns in Peru





3 Governance

Is regulation needed?

Asymmetric information

Limited computational capacity

Quality is observed with a lag

Social cost of market clearing is too high

Autonomy vs. regulation

Autonomy

Regulation

What to teach

What experience is given to the student

What curriculum

What modes of delivery

To assure minimum standards

To assure equity of access

To allocate public financial subsidies adequately

4 Innovation

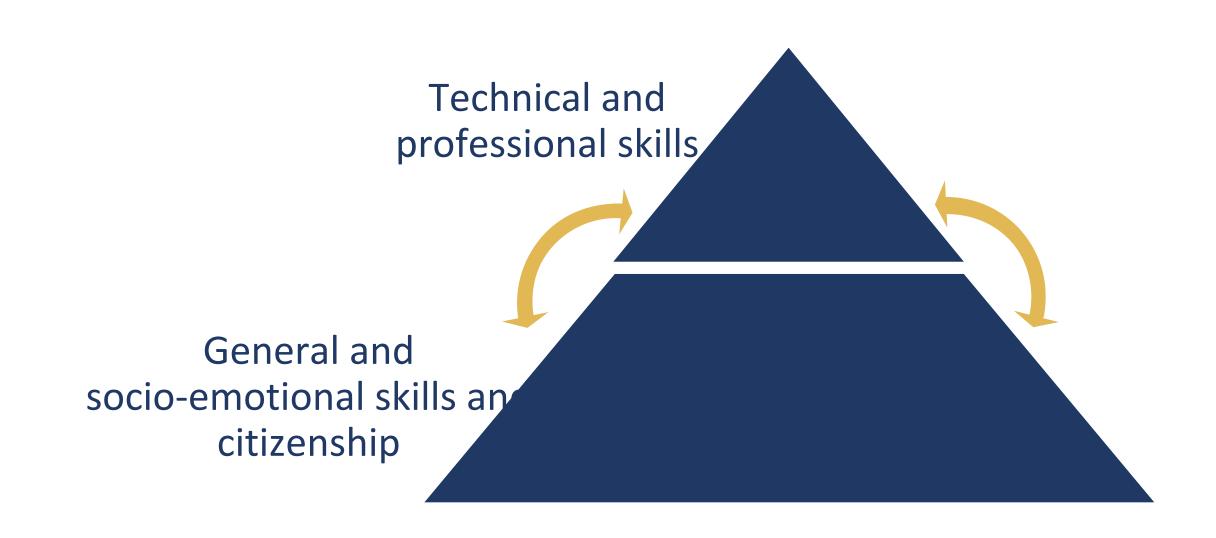
Top 10 skills in 2020

- Complex Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Creativity
- People Management
- Coordination with Others

- Emotional Intelligence
- Judgement and Decision Making
- Service Orientation
- Negotiation
- Cognitive Flexibly

Source: Future of Jobs Report. World Economic Forum

How do we build these skills? Latin America needs a shift



The classroom at the firm

The classroom in the neighborhood

The classroom in your dorm

The classroom in the classroom

Universities/Technical institutions are unique spaces for innovation

