



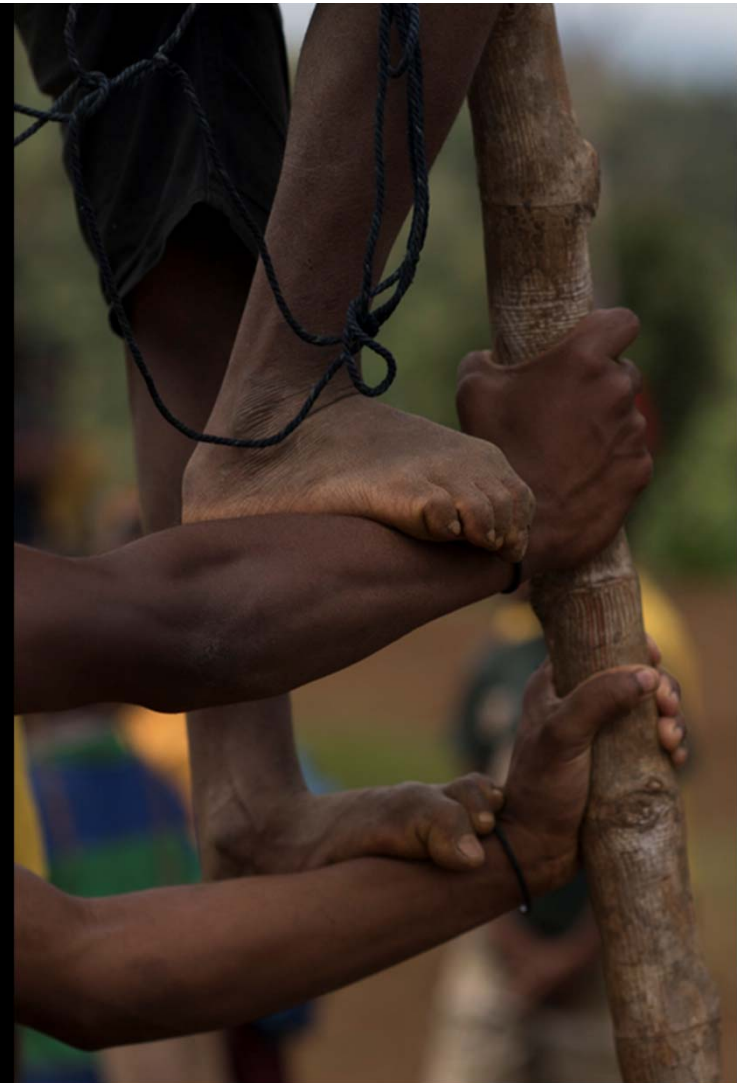
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YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN EVALUATION

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SESSION OVERVIEW

- What is youth participation?
- Why youth participation in M&E?
- Case example
- Some frameworks



SOME STATISTICS

- Over 50% of the world's population is under age 25
- 90% of young people are in developing countries

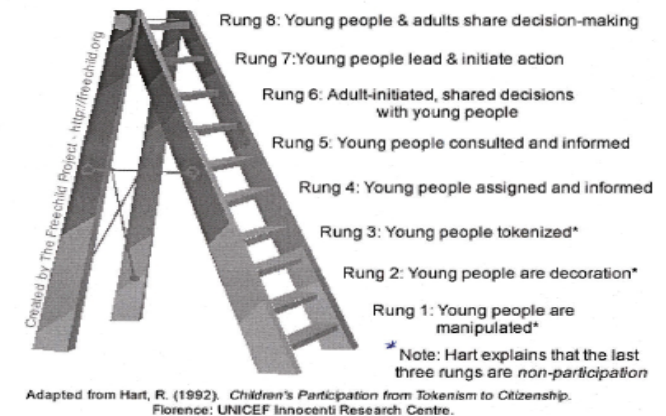
WHAT IS YOUTH PARTICIPATION?

- What do you think youth participation is?
- DFID defines youth participation as “work with and by young people, not merely for them”.

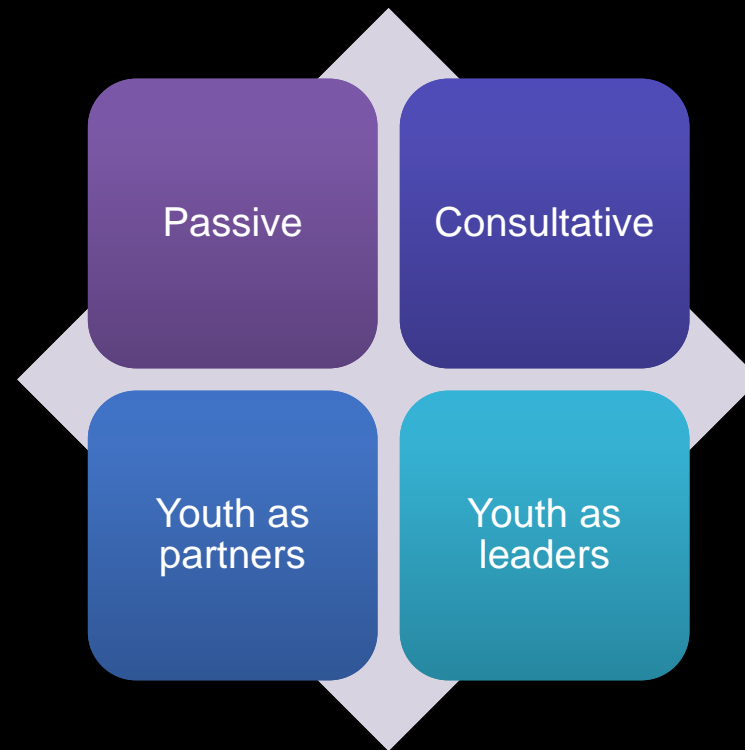
TYPES OF YOUTH PARTICIPATION



Roger Hart's Ladder of Young People's Participation



TYPES OF YOUTH PARTICIPATION



WHY YOUTH PARTICIPATION?

- Moral and rights-based perspective
 - *“Respect for the views of the child: when adults are making decisions that affect children, children have the right to say what they think should happen”* - Convention on the Rights of the Child, Article 12

WHY YOUTH PARTICIPATION?

- Diverse perspectives
- More relevant and nuanced data
 - Peer-to-peer research



WHY YOUTH PARTICIPATION?

- Leverages young people's capacity and unique skills



WHY YOUTH PARTICIPATION?

- Builds evaluation capital
 - Young beneficiaries in our *Girls Education Initiative* project have since gone on to work as development professionals



OUR EXPERIENCE

- Young people evaluating programs with young stakeholders
- Built peer-peer rapport, building trust

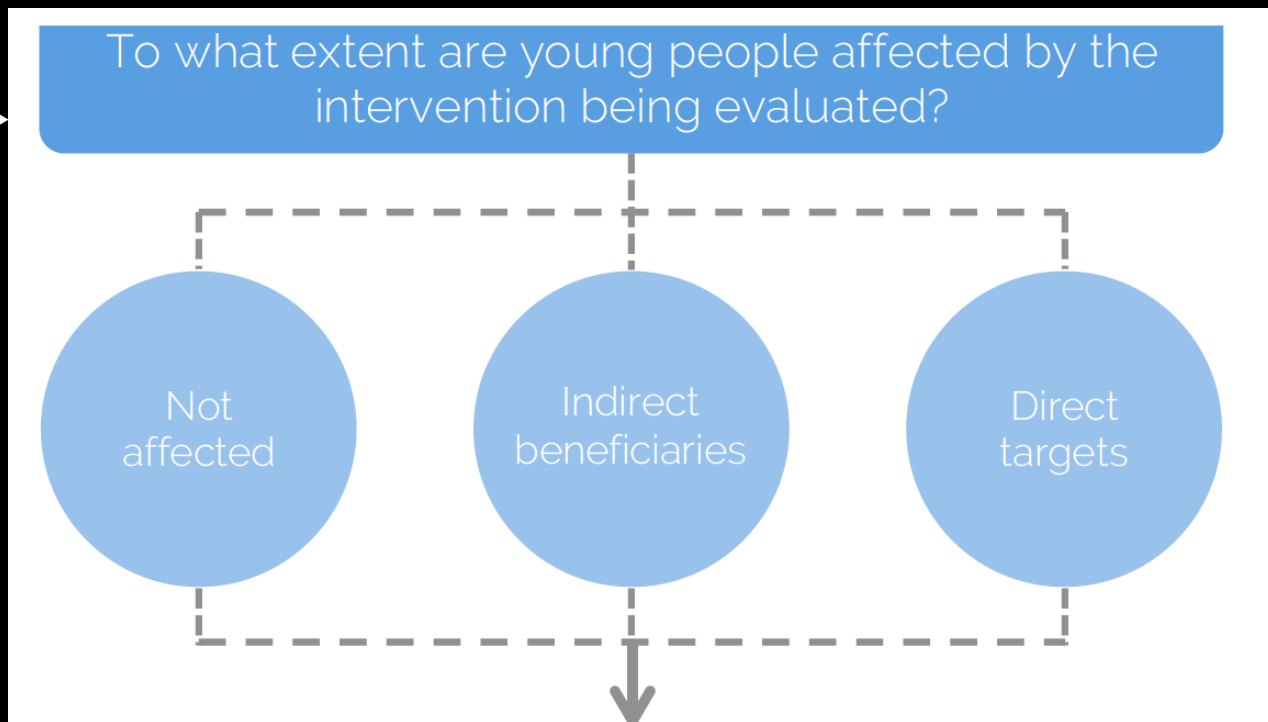
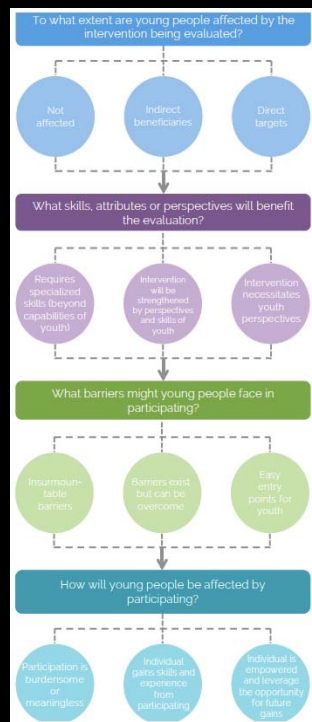


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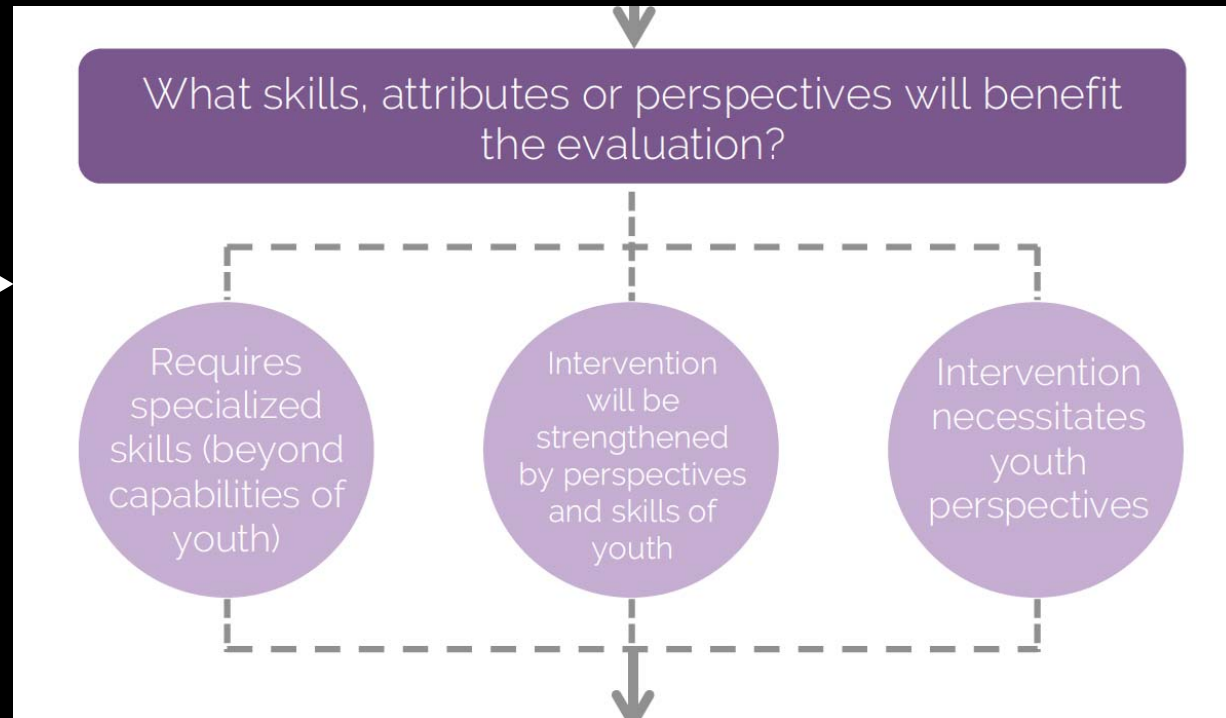
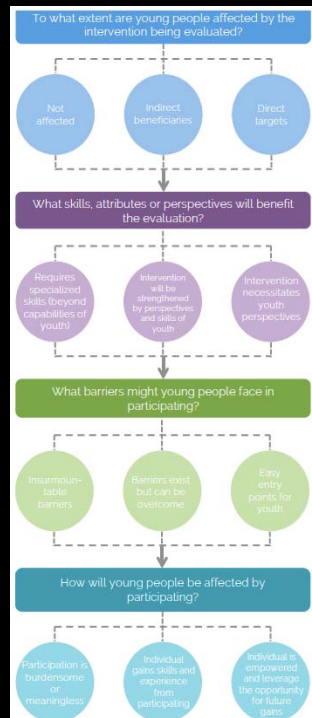
- Beacon School Initiative
 - Student feedback via social media groups reached the Minister of Education
 - BSI was signed into national education policy in 2016



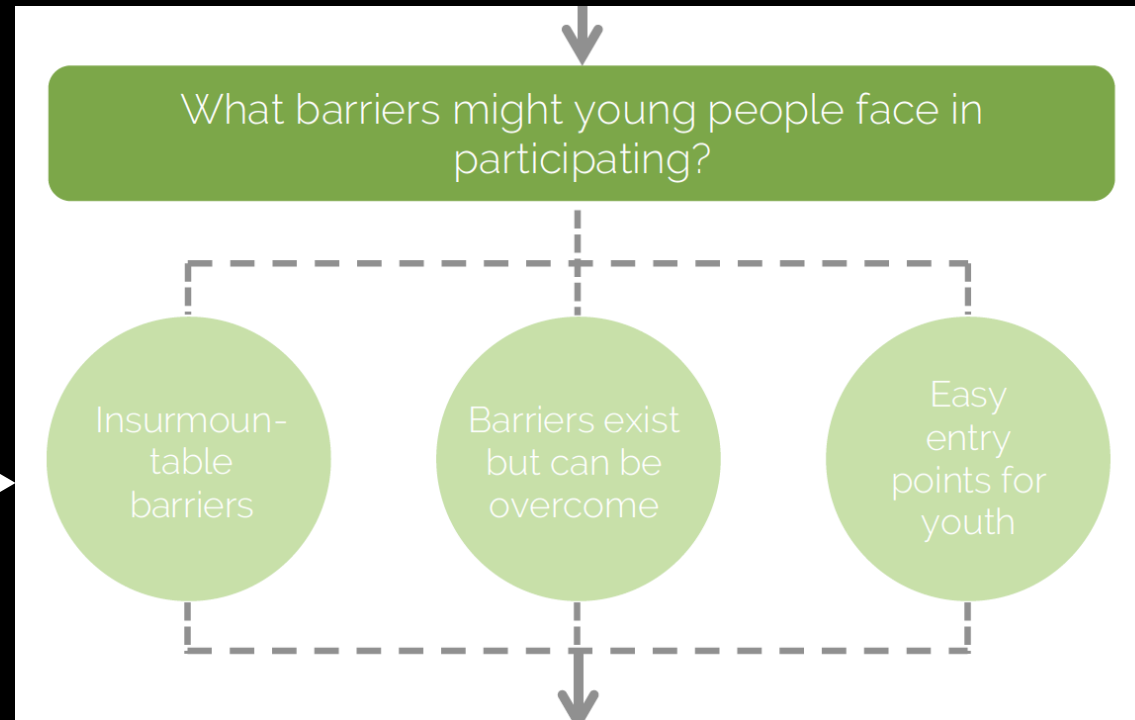
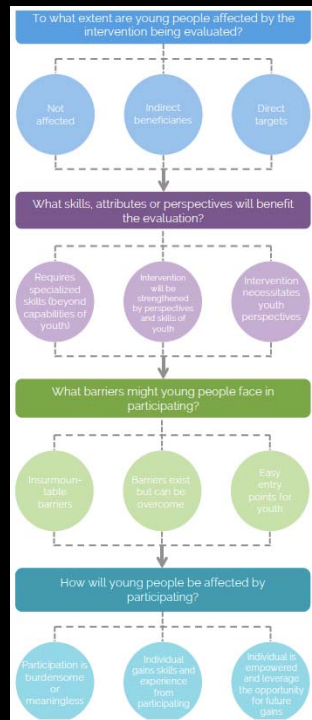
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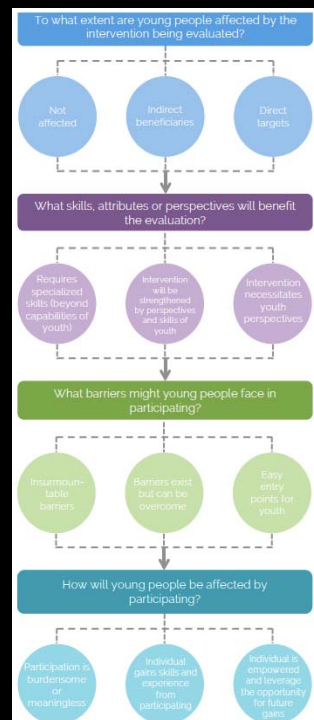
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- Structured survey

- Collecting data together

Passive

Consultative

Youth as
partners

Youth as
leaders

- Focus group discussion
- Transect walking
- Photovoice
- Dotmocracy

- Training youth to develop M&E frameworks

THANK YOU

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