

PROGRESS OF THE FORUM ON INVESTING IN YOUNG CHILDREN GLOBALLY

AS OF JULY 23, 2015

The forum's goal is to integrate knowledge with action in regions around the world to inform evidence-based, strategic investments in young children. This interactive report shows the progress made by the iYCG forum since its inception.

iYCG OBJECTIVES

Click on each objective to see just the forum activities that support it. Or scroll down to view all activities below.



Explore the importance of an integrated science of healthy child development through age 8.



Share examples of models of program implementation at scale and financing across social protection, education, health, and nutrition.



Promote global dialogue on investing in young children.



Catalyze opportunities for inter-sectoral coordination at local, national, and global levels.

iYCG VISION

Decision-makers around the world use the best science and evidence for investing to optimize the well-being of children and their lifelong potential.

iYCG MISSION

The Forum on Investing in Young Children Globally (iYCG) is a collaboration of experts working to ensure that investments in the world's children are informed by integrative science and are a top priority on the policy agenda, both globally and nationally. iYCG aims to engage with and communicate best practices in the translation of science and evidence into programs and policies that improve the lives and potential of young children around the world.

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- Autism Speaks
- Bernard Van Leer Foundation
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- Fraser Mustard Institute for Human Development
- Grand Challenges Canada
- HighScope Foundation
- Inter-American Development Bank
- Jacobs Foundation
- Lumos
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- Office of the Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation
- The Open Society Institute - Budapest Foundation
- ReadyNation
- The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- The Society for Research in Child Development
- UNICEF
- USAID
- U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
- World Bank

ACTIVITIES THAT SUPPORT iYCG OBJECTIVES

VIDEOS



ABOUT THE FORUM



REACTION VIDEOS

To encourage global dialogue, iYCG solicited video reactions from those who attended the workshops on what investing in young children globally means to them.

[View all Reaction Videos](#)



INFOGRAPHICS



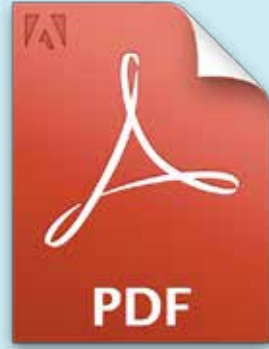
TIMING INVESTMENTS



INTERACTIVE MAP



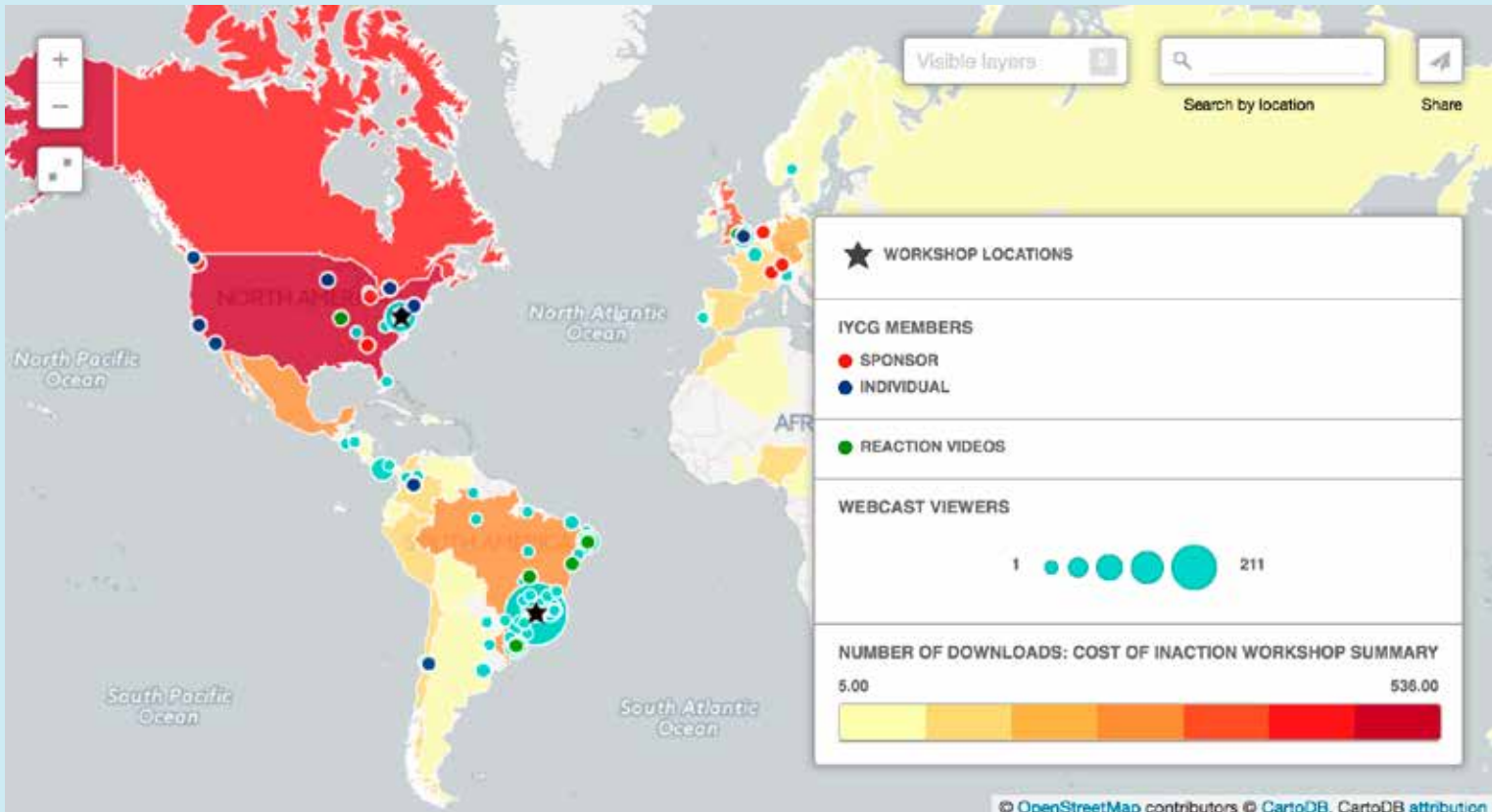
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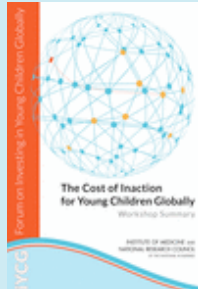
INTERACTIVE MAP



Check out where workshops are held, number of webcast participants, locations of forum members and sponsors, and number of workshop summary downloads by country (Information as of March 1, 2015).



WORKSHOP SUMMARIES



The Cost of Inaction for Young Children Globally
RELEASE DATE: AUGUST 20, 2014
DOWNLOADS AS OF JULY 2015: 1,187
PAGE VIEWS: 1,200



Financing Investments in Young Children Globally (Brief)
RELEASE DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2014
DOWNLOADS AS OF JULY 2015: 43
PAGE VIEWS: 9



Financing Investments in Young Children Globally
RELEASE DATE: MARCH 6, 2015
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PAGE VIEWS: 500



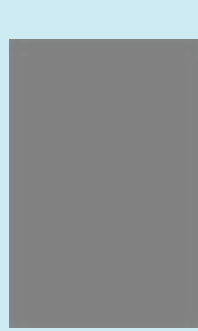
Scaling Program Investments for Young Children Globally (Brief)
RELEASE DATE: MAY 14, 2015
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PAGE VIEWS: 450



Scaling Program Investments for Young Children Globally
RELEASE DATE: JUNE 25, 2015
DOWNLOADS AS OF JULY 2015: 107
PAGE VIEWS: 400



Using Existing Platforms to Integrate and Coordinate Investments for Children (Brief)
RELEASE DATE: JULY 21, 2015
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PAGE VIEWS: 580



Using Existing Platforms to Integrate and Coordinate Investments for Children
RELEASE DATE: COMING SOON

PRESENTATIONS



Presenters at iYCG workshops represent multiple sectors and come from around the world. Check out video presentations from past meetings below.



The Cost of Inaction



Financing Investments in Young Children Globally



Scaling Program Investments for Young Children Globally



Using Existing Platforms to Integrate and Coordinate Investments for Children

FUTURE WORKSHOPS



Reaching and Investing in Marginalized Children
Prague, Czech Republic
NOVEMBER 3-4, 2015

Children Living in Conflict
Amman, Jordan
MARCH 2016

From Global Research to Local Implementation
Toronto, Canada
JUNE 2016

TBD
West Africa
FALL 2016

PAPERS



Invited paper:
Subrat Das and Protiva Kundu.
"Public Investment in Young Children in India." 2014.



Invited paper:
Pia Rebello Britto and Lorraine Sherr. "A Road Less Traveled: Early Childhood Evidence to Investment." 2014.



Invited paper:
Jan van Ravens. "Child Policy In Young Nation States"



Discussion Paper:
A Measurement Framework for Early Childhood: Birth to 8 Years of Age
DOWNLOADS AS OF JULY 2015: 600



Commentary:
A New Global Development Goal for the World's Youngest Children
DOWNLOADS AS OF JULY 2015: 170

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ENGAGING YOUNG INFLUENCERS



Young influencers are a dynamic, young, engaged group of researchers and implementers who work behind the scenes to support policy and practice for investing in young children globally. This community consists of support staff for policymakers and program implementers, young researchers at universities, and community leaders. They are a group with intense energy and dedication who champion the well-being of young children and ensure their protection in the political sphere.



Call for Posters for India:
POSTERS SUBMITTED: 9



Call for Posters for Ethiopia:
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Call for Posters for Prague
COMING SOON

SOCIAL MEDIA



We established a unique hashtag for the forum (#iYCG) that is used to promote and discuss forum activities. The hashtag has been picked up by Twitter users across the globe.

TWITTER FEED



#iYCG Follow the IOM and iYCG forum and join the conversation using #iYCG!

THE iYCG SITE

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine Forum on Investing in Young Children Globally (iYCG) was established to create dialogue and discussion to connect the best science on how to support children's growth and development, including two-generation approaches, with practices and policies on the ground around the world. Activities highlight the science and economics of integrated investments in young children living in low resourced regions of the world across the areas of health, nutrition, education, and social protection.

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