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EDUCATION PLANS: TURNING INTENT INTO ACTION

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ducation plans serve several purposes: they bring a variety of stakeholders together around a common vision; they help ensure that this vision can be implemented through a careful identification of the most relevant and feasible strategies, and through well-argued estimates about the plan's cost and financing; and they are tools for mobilizing the human and financial resources needed to improve an education system.

But the simple existence of a plan is not enough. When plans are well designed but not implemented, the entire vision is threatened. While overly ambitious plans pose one challenge, the more pressing concern is that ministries of education and their partners often think their work is finished once the plan document exists and they pay little attention to its fulfillment. In this scenario, the plan is quickly forgotten and the original enthusiasm channeled •••



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