



# Policy linking- Redesigning National Assessments for SDG Reporting: the Senegal Experience:

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## PRESENTATION PLAN

- Why modify current assessment?
- The process used to modify
- Next steps

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#### Why modify current national assessment (SNERS)?

- Provide decision-makers with an accurate picture of learners' progress concerning critical learning outcomes in the curriculum;
- Ensure comparability of results over time
- Provide national decision-makers with a measure of the country's progress on Sustainable Development Goal 4.1.1.
- Enable Senegal to report on SDG4.1.1 (international comparision)

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### The process used to modify (Step I)

- Develop a revised table of specifications for SNERS that:
  - identifies the key skills in the new national reading framework and in the GPF and
  - weights the skills according to the technical reporting requirements in the GPF

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# Minimum technical specifications of GPF reporting requirements – Weighting of items

	Grade I-2	Grades 3 to 6
Minimal alignment	<ul> <li>5 Decoding items</li> <li>5 Comprehension of spoken, signed language items</li> <li>Items mesure ≥50% of the 5 to 7 Gr 1-2 sub constructs or these skills (depending upon Grade)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5 Reading Comprehension items</li> <li>Items mesure ≥50% of the 6 to 9 Gr 3 to 6 Reading Comprehenion sub constructs</li> </ul>
Additional alignment	Not applicable	Not applicable
Strongly aligned	<ul> <li>5 reading comprehension items</li> <li>Items measure I or more Gr I - 2 RC subconstructs for these skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5 items - Retrieving information</li> <li>5 items - Interpreting information</li> <li>5 items - Reflecting information</li> <li>Items mesure ≥50% of the 6 to 9</li> <li>Gr 3 to 6 sub constructs for these skills</li> </ul>

# The process used to modify (Step I)

- Create SNERS items:
  - that measure these skills and
  - measures them to the same degree of difficulty as outlined in the curriculum (for national reporting purposes)

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#### The process used to modify (Step2)

- Administer items in a sample of schools
- Evaluate their psychometric validity, reliability
- Select items for national assessment, based on psychometric properties
- Prepare a technical summary report on the psychometric properties of the assessment for SDG reporting requirements

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## The process used to modify (step 3)

- Establishing a national representative sample
- Administering new assessment
- Analyse the data
- Using policy linking methodology to establish minimal cut scores for SDG and national reporting purposes
- Prepare a final report describing the scientific validity of the instruments, the samples and the policy linking processes used

### What do we expect to learn? (Pilot)

To what extent do we need to modify:

- the items in a national assessment
- the process of administrating the assessment
- the process for interpreting the results

to meet GPF reporting requirements, as well as national reporting priorities

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#### Where are we now?

- Partnership between INEADE, MSI, LPT to support the initiative
- We expected to have finalized the instruments (March) and be ready for national data collection (May)
- COVID has delayed the process.
- Working on developing, finalizing the table of specifications

### Thank You







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