## Education and Development Beyond Human Capital: Bhutan and the Case for Happiness in Education

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## **Key Arguments:**

- The Bhutanese development philosophy of Gross National Happiness (GNH) is a promising framework for educational development.
- Bhutan, like many other countries around the world, is challenged by a misalignment of educational values and cultures across policy and practice.
- Based on our data and analysis from Bhutan, we argue that 21<sup>st</sup> century schools around the world need to not only focus on competency and skill development, but also on the development of the whole child to advance a happier and more sustainable society.