

# June 8, 2017 Meeting with Catalina + IDRC

- "Global Shapers", part of World Economic Forum
- "the context in Mexico"
  - lack of coverage of educational opportunities for youth in general
  - a lot of barriers for hiring; you go and work wherever
  - proposing to cover through distance education and online platforms
    - shock to youth because of lack of digital literacy
    - "100 students sign up, but only 60% are going to stay"
  - "if my Dad's a painter, I don't need to go to high school"
  - People with disabilities community
    - very segmented
    - very hurt, because system claims to be accessible, but is not; communities are very tight and very close, and don't interact with each other
  - "a bridge" between opportunities that exist between digital tools for learning and youth with learning differences
    - a "middle thing" that gives them the soft skills to engage in digital education
      - teamwork, self-management, executive functions
  - communities really dependent on donations and similar
- JUTTA: we want to send resources now to help plot out future directions, "first phase"
  - budget stuff - who would be recipient of the funds
  - what are social safety nets and barriers youth with learning differences encounter?
- CATALINA: can university work as recipient and administer funds?
- Jutta knows groups in Nicaragua, Guatemala
- JT: "the space that we're needing to address is not formal education, but what happens when students disengage"
- "fourth industrial revolution"
- "we don't even know what formal education will be in 5-10 years"
- CATALINA: 4 things to work on
  - channel for funds to arrive
  - names to specific youth movements / groups
  - narrative around disengagement and barriers
    - challenges that are faced
    - listening to stories
  - JT: have you connected with Juliana and Karolina