## CONTEXT MATTERS: CREATING BETTER SOCIO-POLITICAL STRUCTURES FOR YOUTH' SOCIAL INVOLVEMENT



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social engagement

### **COMMON CONTEXTS FOR SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT**

#### Micro:

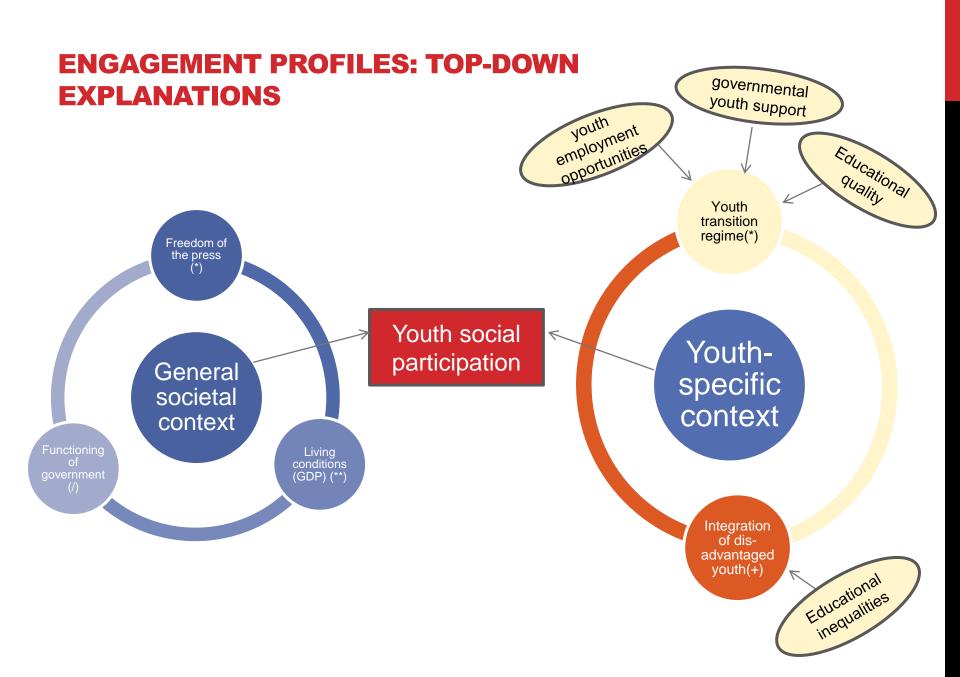
- ➤ Education is a key predictor of broad social engagement
- ➤ Discussion about social topics at an early age are however able to decrease low engagement even when resources are low
- ➤ More than trust in political institutions, it is **trust in other people** that is able to increase political and social engagement

#### Macro:

Institutions play an important role in accumulating advantages or disadvantages for individuals, influencing the likelihood of an emerging or accelerated adulthood.

### **DISTRIBUTION OF ACTIVE SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT**

# Distribution of social engagement profiles 81-95% of socially engaged 65-80% of socially engaged 40-64% of socially engaged Created with mapchart.net ©



# DISCUSSING POINTS - SUPPORTIVE FACTORS FOR YOUTH PARTICIPATION

- Is youth work the main forum within which youth participation can be promoted? Which other forums/sites/institutions matter (families, administrations, mentors, adult figures, existing alternative movements/politics...)?
- How should youth-empowering policies look like?
- What can be done to make young people's interests be better represented in society and formal politics?

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