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How to measure social return on investment from community and social investments

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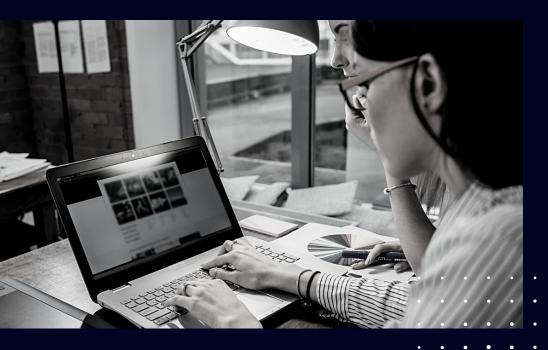
Strategic value contributed

Social investments add value to strategic objectives such as shared or blended value creation, company values and purpose statements as well as sustainability strategies

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Operational value contributed

Social investments
contribute to better
resource allocation, asset
management, procurement
and supplier or enterprise
development strategies





Financial value contributed

Social investments contribute to greater competiveness and profitability through new customer acquisition, new product development or new market entry and expansion in underserved markets



Social value contributed

Social investments
enhance and support
social objectives such as
inclusion, gender equality
or promoting and
supporting the local
economy



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Intellectual capital contributed

Social investments identify new opportunities for innovation, research and development as well as stakeholder engagement





Economic value contributed

Social investments deliver savings – such as legal costs avoided or capturing market value from new financing opportunities (green and social bonds), impact investments, or better financing terms because of improved ESG ratings





Environmental capital contributed

Social investments enhance and support environmental objectives such as better and more efficient resource consumption, energy and water savings or mitigating climate risks







Reputation and brand value contributed

Social investments enhance, augment, and

· · support business,

· marketing,

communication and branding strategies





Relational capital and value contributed

Social investments
enhance stakeholder
relationships including
those with government,
suppliers, customers,
employees and business
partners



Risks mitigated and manufactured capital contributed

Social investments mitigate risks such as social/labour unrest, legal or compliance risk and governance or climate risks mitigated



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Human capital contributed

Social investments can support talent retention & recruitment strategies including employee involvement and volunteerism or skills development

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