Skills4Girls Portfolio
Girl-Centered Solutions for Unlocking the Potential of Adolescent Girls

Equipped with the right resources and opportunities, the world’s 600 million adolescent girls can become the largest generation of female leaders the world has ever seen.

UNICEF through Skills4Girls Portfolio is working to impact adolescent girls’ lives, so they are empowered to successfully transition to work, higher education and training, as well as engage with and participate in their communities and wider society.

Currently working with and for girls in 22 countries globally, Skills4Girls was initiated in 2020 with support through shared-value private sector partnerships to bridge the gap between the skills girls need to be competitive in the 21st century workforce, versus those they have traditionally had access to.

The Portfolio directly addresses the UNICEF Gender Action Plan (GAP), 2022-2025 key commitment on prioritising the leadership and well-being of adolescent girls; and is also premised on Goal Area 2 of the UNICEF’s Strategic Plan, 2022-2025 which focuses on access to quality learning opportunities, skills, participation and engagement for all children and adolescents.

As one of the five targeted priorities for Girls’ Empowerment, investments in girls’ education and skills are a critical pathway to dignified work. Investing in adolescent girls and young women is investing in future change-makers.

Skills4Girls develops girls’ skills in areas such as STEM, digital technologies, and social entrepreneurship as well as life skills such as problem-solving, negotiation, self-esteem and communication.

The partnership is currently generously supported by private sector partners – Chloé, Clé de Peau Beauté, Dove and Pandora to equip adolescent girls with the skills they need for life, learning and work.