Cost-Benefit Analysis Model

Purpose: Quantifies the economic and social returns of adopting the *Regenerative Educational Systems Implementation Framework*, providing evidence to justify funding and advocacy efforts, as outlined in resource mobilization strategies (Section 4.7) and cost-benefit analysis details (Section 10.3). This model supports stakeholder decision-making, aligning with SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities).

Usage:

- **Who**: Local champions, policymakers, funders, and NGOs seeking to secure resources or evaluate framework impact.
- **How**: Use the model to estimate costs, project financial and social benefits, and create advocacy materials (e.g., infographics) tailored to local contexts.
- When: During pilot planning (Section 4.4.1), scaling (Section 4.4.2), or funding negotiations (Section 4.7).
- **Formats**: Editable Excel spreadsheet, PDF summary, and markdown, available in 10+ languages, with accessible versions (e.g., audio, braille, simplified text).

Equity Safeguards:

- Prioritizes benefits for marginalized groups (LGBTQ+, Indigenous, neurodiverse, disabled, caste-oppressed, refugees) in calculations and advocacy.
- Multilingual and low-tech formats (e.g., printable summaries, oral explanations) ensure accessibility in low-connectivity or low-literacy regions.
- Community-led validation ensures cost and benefit estimates reflect local priorities and cultural contexts (Section 5.5).
- Transparent methodology shared with communities to build trust and inclusion.

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Section 1: Overview and Methodology

Purpose: Provides a transparent framework for calculating costs and benefits, grounded in framework outcomes (Section 5). **Methodology**:

- **Costs**: Direct (e.g., training, materials, tech) and indirect (e.g., staff time, infrastructure) expenses, estimated per tier (Section 4.2).
- **Benefits**: Financial (e.g., economic returns from improved literacy, job creation) and social (e.g., equity, climate resilience, civic engagement), quantified using case model data (Section 8).
- Time Horizon: 5–10 years, with short-term (1–2 years) and long-term (5–10 years) projections.
- **Data Sources**: Pilot outcomes (e.g., 80% systems thinking proficiency, Section 8.3), global education studies (e.g., UNESCO 2024, Section 10.7), and community feedback (Section 5.6).
- **Equity Focus**: Disaggregates benefits by marginalized groups to highlight inclusive impact (e.g., 90% equity index, Section 5.3).

Instructions:

- Input local data (e.g., pilot scale, regional wages) into the model.
- Validate assumptions with community boards, ensuring 50% marginalized representation (Section 5.5).
- Use results in policy briefs and advocacy materials (Section 10.1).

Section 2: Cost Inputs

Purpose: Estimates the financial investment required for framework adoption, tailored to implementation tiers (Section 4.2). **Template**:

Cost Category	Description	Tier 1: Micro-Pilot (10–100 learners)	Tier 2: Regional (1,000-10,000 learners)	Tier 3: National (100,000+ learners)	Equity Notes
Educator Training	40-hour facilitation training (Section 3.8)	\$10K (10 educators, \$1K each)	\$100K (100 educators)	\$1M (1,000 educators)	Prioritize women, neurodiverse trainers
Curriculum Materials	Spiral dynamics modules, regenerative guides (Section 3.2, Section 10.1)	\$5K (print, digital)	\$50K (multilingual)	\$500K (national scale)	Free for low- income regions, braille options
Technology	Digital platforms, low-tech alternatives (Section 3.6)	\$10K (apps, paper tools)	\$100K (VR, offline hubs)	\$1M (national infrastructure)	Subsidized for rural, refugee hubs
Community Engagement	Workshops, forums (Section 4.12)	\$5K (events, travel)	\$50K (regional forums)	\$500K (national campaigns)	50% marginalized representation
M&E	Rubrics, data collection (Section 5, Section 10.1)	\$5K (surveys, audits)	\$50K (dashboard integration)	\$500K (national analytics)	Anonymous data for safety

Total Estimated Costs:

• Tier 1: \$35K-\$50K • Tier 2: \$350K-\$500K • Tier 3: \$3.5M-\$5M

Customization:

- Adjust costs based on local wages, resource availability (e.g., volunteer trainers in rural areas).
- Add region-specific expenses (e.g., boat transport for Pacific Island hubs).

Section 3: Benefit Projections

Purpose: Quantifies financial and social returns to demonstrate framework value (Section 10.3). Template:

Benefit Category	Description	Tier 1: Micro- Pilot	Tier 2: Regional	Tier 3: National	Equity Notes
Economic Returns	Increased literacy, job creation (Section 5.2)	\$1M over 5 years (20% literacy gains)	\$10M over 7 years (30% engagement)	\$2B over 10 years (50% proficiency)	Prioritize jobs for refugees, caste- oppressed
Educational Outcomes	Systems thinking,	80% proficiency,	85% proficiency,	90% proficiency,	Oral assessments for

Benefit Category	Description	Tier 1: Micro- Pilot	Tier 2: Regional	Tier 3: National	Equity Notes
	empathy gains (Section 5.2)	75% empathy	80% empathy	85% empathy	neurodiverse learners
Social Equity	Diversity in governance, participation (Section 5.3)	90% equity index	95% equity index	98% equity index	30% marginalized representation
Environmental Impact	Regenerative projects (Section 3.3, Section 8.2)	10 hectares restored, 50 tons carbon	100 hectares, 500 tons carbon	1,000 hectares, 5,000 tons carbon	Indigenous-led restoration
Civic Engagement	Youth-led policies (Section 3.4, Section 8.1)	5 policies proposed	50 policies, 50% adopted	500 policies, 60% adopted	LGBTQ+, refugee voices prioritized

Total Estimated Benefits:

- Tier 1: \$1M financial, 90% equity, 10 hectares restored
- Tier 2: \$10M financial, 95% equity, 100 hectares restored
- Tier 3: \$2B financial, 98% equity, 1,000 hectares restored

Customization:

- Adjust projections based on local data (e.g., literacy rates, environmental priorities).
- Include region-specific benefits (e.g., cultural preservation for Indigenous communities).

Section 4: Analysis and Interpretation

Purpose: Calculates net benefits and return on investment (ROI) to support advocacy (Section 4.11). **Formulas**:

- Net Benefit = Total Benefits Total Costs
 - ∘ Tier 1: \$1M \$50K = \$950K
 - Tier 2: \$10M \$500K = \$9.5M
 - ∘ Tier 3: \$2B \$5M = \$1.995B
- ROI = (Net Benefit / Cost) × 100
 - Tier 1: (\$950K / \$50K) × 100 = 1,900%
 - Tier 2: (\$9.5M / \$500K) × 100 = 1,900%
 - Tier 3: (\$1.995B / \$5M) × 100 = 39,900%

Instructions:

- Input cost and benefit data into Excel model to calculate ROI.
- Validate results with community boards, ensuring marginalized group input (Section 5.5).
- Summarize findings in policy briefs or presentations (Section 10.1).

Customization:

- Adjust time horizon or discount rate for local economic conditions.
- Emphasize social benefits (e.g., equity, civic engagement) in equity-focused regions.

Section 5: Advocacy Infographic

Purpose: Visualizes key costs and benefits for stakeholder engagement (Section 7.2). Template:

- Title: Investing in Regenerative Education
- Visuals:
 - Bar chart: Costs (\$50K-\$5M) vs. Benefits (\$1M-\$2B) by tier.
 - Pie chart: Benefit breakdown (economic, educational, social, environmental).
 - Icons: Youth councils, restored ecosystems, equitable hubs.
- Key Stats:
 - ROI: 1,900%-39,900% over 5-10 years.
 - Equity: 90%-98% diversity compliance.
 - Impact: 10–1,000 hectares restored, 80% systems thinking proficiency.
- Call to Action: Fund a pilot to transform education and ecosystems.

Instructions:

- Customize with local stats and cultural visuals (e.g., Indigenous art).
- Produce in high-contrast, text-alternative formats for accessibility.

Customization:

- Add local examples (e.g., coral restoration in Pacific Islands).
- Translate into regional languages and dialects.

Instructions for Use

- 1. **Gather Data**: Collect local cost data (e.g., wages, materials) and benefit projections from pilot outcomes or case models (Section 8).
- 2. **Customize Model**: Input data into the Excel spreadsheet, adjusting for regional priorities and equity needs (Section 5.5).
- 3. **Validate**: Engage community boards with 50% marginalized representation to confirm assumptions and outcomes.
- 4. **Analyze**: Calculate net benefits and ROI, using results to inform funding pitches (Section 4.7).
- 5. **Create Advocacy Materials**: Summarize findings in policy briefs, presentations, or infographics (Section 10.1).
- 6. **Share and Iterate**: Distribute via global dashboard (Section 5.8), refine based on stakeholder feedback (Section 5.7).

Example Use

In Brazil, this model justified \$5M for youth parliaments, projecting \$20M in social returns over 7 years, including 90% equity compliance and 200 hectares restored. The infographic and ROI of 1,900% secured ministry and NGO funding, impacting 2,000 learners (Section 8.1).

Cross-References

- Resource Mobilization (Section 4.7)
- M&E Framework (Section 5)
- Cost-Benefit Analysis Details (Section 10.3)
- Advocacy Playbook (Section 10.1)
- Nordic Youth Parliaments Case Model (Section 8.1)
- Regenerative Project Guide (Section 10.1)

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