### EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

#### Burundi

**Demographics**
- Population (2019): 11,531,000
- Annual births: 443,000
- Children under 5 (2019): 2,019,000 (18%)
- Under-five mortality: 58/1,000

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**
- Maternal mortality: 548/100,000
- Low birthweight: 15%
- Child poverty: 86%
- Violent discipline: 86%
- Young mothers (births by 18y): 11%
- Preterm births: 11%
- Under-five stunting: 56%
- Inadequate supervision: 42%

#### Young children at risk of poor development

At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

#### Risk by sex and residence

#### Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

**Support and services for early childhood development:**

**Nurturing care**

Parents and caregivers need a facilitating environment of laws, policies, services and community support to assist them in providing their young children with nurturing care.

#### Facilitating environments

**Policies**
- Paid maternity leave
- National minimum wage
- Child and family social protection
- International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes

**International conventions**
- Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption