Features	Brookings Childhood Cost Calculator (C3)	ILO Care policy Investment Simulator	ECE Accelerator Simulation Model	USAID Education Cost Analysis Approach	Simulation for Education (SimuED) UNESCO	EiE Cost Capture Template	J-PAL Detailed Costing Template
Developer	Brookings Center for Universal Education	ILO	UNICEF	USAID Center for Education	UNESCO	UN Girls' Education Initiative (UNGEI)	J-PAL
Purpose	To facilitate the costing of past, current or future (potential) programs to determine cost per beneficiary and total (resources needed), compare costs between initiatives, understand cost distribution, and costs of scaling	-To present how to close the care policy gaps through investments in the country-specific gender-transformative care policy packages and assess the multiple benefits of investing in the care economy.	Estimating the resources required for achieving SDG 4.2 targets-material, human, and financial resources required for Education Sector Planning and ECE subsector planning processes	- Improve sustainability and overall value for money of USAID education programming through a better understanding of cost structures, cost efficiency and cost- effectiveness of interventions.	Education sector- wide simulation selected key SDG4- Education indicators to facilitate national planning exercise	-To understand gender- responsive unit costs (costs per person) and ingredient costs (total costs of parts of an activity) considerations across common Education in Emergencies (EiE) intervention types;	To collect costs for all ingredients needed to implement a program or intervention, excluding the costs of evaluating the impact of that program. Collecting this cost data will help NGOs, governments, and other policymakers determine how much replicating or scaling up a program will cost.

Features	Brookings Childhood Cost Calculator (C3)	ILO Care policy Investment Simulator	ECE Accelerator Simulation Model	USAID Education Cost Analysis Approach	Simulation for Education (SimuED) UNESCO	EiE Cost Capture Template	J-PAL Detailed Costing Template
Costing Approach	Micro-costing Ingredients-based costing	Macro-simulation	Macro- simulation	Micro-costing Ingredients based costing	Macro-simulation	Micro-costing Ingredient costing	Micro-costing Ingredient costing
Type of Analysis	Retrospective and prospective	Prospective	Prospective	Retrospective and prospective	Prospective	Retrospective and prospective	Retrospective and prospective
What questions does it answer?	Cost economy analysis Cost efficiency analysis Planning, budgeting, scaling CBA indirectly and Cost-effectiveness coupled with impact evaluation	simulate the annual investment costs and potential employment creation	Planning, budgeting, scaling	Cost economy analysis Cost efficiency analysis Planning, budgeting, scaling	Planning, budgeting, scaling	Cost economy analysis Cost efficiency analysis Planning, budgeting, scaling	Cost economy analysis Cost efficiency analysis
Platform and Format	Web-based	Web-based	Downloadable excel based	Downloadable excel based	Downloadable excel based	Downloadable excel based	Downloadable excel based