EDUCATIONAL PATHWAYS OF LEADERS
AN INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON

ALMOST HALF OF LEADERS HAVE INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Study overseas increases with degree level

THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED KINGDOM ARE THE MOST POPULAR DESTINATIONS FOR STUDY OVERSEAS

55% OF PROFESSIONAL LEADERS HOLD A SOCIAL SCIENCES OR HUMANITIES DEGREE

Those in government are more likely to have social science degrees while those in non-profits favour humanities degrees

YOUNGER LEADERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO HOLD A DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES OR THE HUMANITIES THAN OLDER LEADERS

Undergraduate Degrees

All Degrees

HIGHER EDUCATION PROVIDES MORE THAN DIRECT LEARNING

Leaders report that higher education provides:

• tangible skills and knowledge needed to advance their careers
• a study environment conducive to entrepreneurship and creativity
• exposure to different cultures
• networks that have continued into professional life

Data from 1709 individuals in 30 countries: Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Canada, China, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America

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