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A child-centred social investment strategy

The first years of children's lives are fundamental for later school and career outcomes. This means that family conditions play a key role in dictating life chances and inter-generational mobility. The key mechanisms lie in parental income, time dedication and the familial learning milieu. I examine how social policy can contribute to improving and equalizing child outcomes, in particular via parental leaves, pre-school institutions and support for mothers' employment.

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