

► ILO Global Flagship Programme on Building Social Protection Floors for All Development Partners Meeting 2023

Agenda

Geneva, 24 March 2023, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CET, Room XI, ILO HQ and Zoom

Background Information

Launched in 2016, the ILO's Global Flagship Programme on Building Social Protection Floors for All (SPF Flagship Programme) supports ILO Member States in developing sustainable social protection systems, including floors, and contributing to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on social protection (in particular targets 1.3 and 3.8), through a coherent structure to mobilize resources and achieve impact.

Phase II (2021 – 2025) of the SPF Flagship Programme was launched in 2021, aiming to build on the success of Phase I (2016 – 2020), which contributed to 39 institutional changes across 21 priority countries, including increasing legal and effective coverage for over 25 million people.¹

Phase II is now working across an expanded list of [50 priority countries](#), aiming to achieve a further 80 institutional changes and increase legal and effective coverage for an additional 60 million people.²

The first Development Partners meeting for Phase II offers the chance for the ILO and development partners to share progress made and lessons learnt in supporting and achieving the SDGs on social protection, and to collaborate on how to meet current and future challenges in a post-COVID context, including by exploring synergies between the SPF Flagship Programme and the Global Accelerator for Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions.

Objectives

Take stock of the progress made, results achieved and impact created during the first 18 months of Phase II of the SPF Flagship Programme, including through the multi-donor programme.

Share country and partner experiences in extending social protection to all, look at current and future challenges and opportunities, with a focus on key thematic areas: climate change and a just transition, digitalization, financing, informal economy, social health protection and unemployment protection.

¹ See [Building Social Protection Floors for All: ILO Global Flagship Programme, Report of the first phase \(2016- 2020\)](#).

² See [Building Social Protection Floors for All: ILO Global Flagship Programme, Strategy for the second phase \(2021-2025\)](#)

Join forces to accelerate the achievement of Universal Social Protection, including through the Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions.

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Date and time	Subject
08.30	Registration and Coffee
09.00 – 09.45	High-level opening Chaired by Ms Mia Seppo , ILO Assistant Director-General for Jobs and Social Protection <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Hector Hajjar, Minister of Social Affairs, Lebanon• Ms Caroline Gennez, Minister of Development Cooperation and of Major Cities, Belgium• Mr Anwar Sanusi, Secretary General, Ministry of Manpower, Indonesia• Mr Zulfiqar Haider, Federal Secretary of Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development, Pakistan• Mr Andreas Papaconstantinou, Executive Director, Health Insurance Organisation, Cyprus• Mr Farooq Ahmed, Secretary-General, Bangladesh Employers' Federation• Mr Antônio de Lisboa Amâncio Vale, Deputy President, International Trade Union Confederation
09.45 – 10.00	Looking back on the first two years of Phase II: Results and resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms Valérie Schmitt, Deputy Director and Head of the SPF Flagship Programme, Department of Social Protection (SOCPRO)• Mr Tao Wang, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland
10.00–10.30	Coffee break

Date and time	Subject
10.30 – 12.00	<p>Panel 1: Joining forces to address thematic challenges within social protection - perspectives from the SPF Flagship Programme's multi-donor programme</p> <p>A chance to highlight the key thematic areas, including social health protection and extending social protection to workers in the informal economy, tackled within the countries that are part of the initial multi-donor Programme.</p> <p>Multi-donor programme countries: Burkina Faso, Burundi, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal, Timor-Leste, Togo, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam and Zambia.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Dramane Batchabi, ILO Social Protection Specialist for West Africa</p> <p>Background and contextualization by moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Enabling the extension of coverage to workers in the informal economy in Senegal</i> Mr Samba Sy, Minister of Labour, Social Dialogue and Institutional Relations, Senegal • <i>Strengthening social protection systems in Portuguese speaking African countries and Timor-Leste through multilateral support</i> Mr Gabriel Bastos, Secretary of State for Social Security, Portugal • <i>Extending social protection in Uzbekistan</i> Mr Jamshid Abruev, Deputy Minister of Employment and Poverty Reduction, Uzbekistan • <i>Moving towards universal social health protection in Lao PDR</i> Dr Souphaphone Sadettan, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health, Lao People's Democratic Republic • <i>Joining forces to achieve universal social protection</i> Ms Catherine Gigante, Head of Social Development and Building Society Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation, Belgium • <i>Extending social protection to workers in the informal economy and facilitating the transition to formality: the critical role of social dialogue</i> Mr Ismael Kiswindsida Bidiga, Member of the Committee of Social Affairs, National Council of Employers, Burkina Faso • <i>Achieving Universal Health Coverage: the critical role of social dialogue</i> Mr Melance Hakizimana, Vice-President, Confederation of Trade Unions, Burundi <p>Open Q&A Final wrap-up of discussion and conclusions</p>

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12.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.30	<p>Panel 2: Integrated policy and financing approaches on decent jobs and social protection for just transitions to close coverage and financing gaps and achieve Universal Social Protection</p> <p>Ecological, technological and demographic transformations present challenges and opportunities for countries at all levels of development. This panel will allow speakers to highlight why integrated policy approaches will be key to facilitating these structural transformations, closing financing gaps and expanding social protection coverage, including through the Global Accelerator for Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions.</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Jasmina Papa, ILO Social Protection Specialist for Eastern Europe and Central Asia</p> <p>Background and contextualization by moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Social protection in support of economic transformation and growth</i> Mr Somean Kuoch, Secretary General of National Council for Minimum Wage, Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training, Cambodia • <i>Employers' roles in ensuring a just transition to greener economies and societies</i> Mr Robert Marinkovic, Adviser for Climate Change, International Organisation of Employers (IOE) • <i>Ensuring equitable ecological, digital and other structural transitions</i> Ms Montserrat Mir, Senior Adviser, Just Transition Centre, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) • <i>Unemployment protection in the future of work</i> Ms Gina Magaly Salazar Lozano, Adviser and Project Coordinator, Vice-Ministry of Labour, Peru • <i>Achieving more sustainable financing through development cooperation – Part I</i> Ms Aileen O'Donovan, Policy Lead, Social Protection, Africa Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Ireland • <i>Achieving more sustainable financing through development cooperation – Part II</i> Ms Doerte Bosse, Deputy Head of Unit, Social Inclusion and Protection, Health and Demography, European Commission, Directorate-General for International Partnerships <p>Open Q&A</p> <p>Final wrap-up of discussion and conclusions</p>
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break

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16.00 – 16.50	<p>Mobilizing the potential of ratifying ILO standards to accelerate progress towards Universal Social Protection – support the Global Ratification Campaign on C102</p> <p>Based on the International Labour Conference Conclusions and the Plan of Action adopted by the ILO Governing Body, the ILO has elaborated a strategy for the implementation of the Global Ratification Campaign with a view to supporting constituents to achieve the effective realization of the right to social security.</p> <p>This panel will provide an overview of the key features of the Global Ratification Campaign, the importance of building national social protection systems in line with ILO social security standards and how development partners can support the campaign meet its goal of 10 additional ratifications of the Social Security (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1952 (No. 102) by 2026.</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Ursula Kulke, Senior Social Protection Specialist, ILO ACTRAV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Shahra Razavi, Director, Department of Social Protection (SOCPRO) • Mr Kroum Markov, Social Protection Policy Specialist, Department of Social Protection (SOCPRO) • Ms Maya Stern Plaza, Social Protection Legal and Standards Officer, Department of Social Protection (SOCPRO) • Ms Marie Odile Mbissine Faye, Social Protection Director, Ministry of Labour, Social Dialogue and Institutional Relations, Senegal • Ms Gloria Beatriz Gaviria Ramos, Head of the Office of Cooperation and International Relations, Ministry of Labour, Colombia
16.50 – 17.00	<p>Conclusion and way forward</p> <p>Ms Shahra Razavi, Director, Department of Social Protection (SOCPRO)</p>

Target audience

Development partners of the ILO SPF Flagship Programme who either financially or technically contribute to its cross-country or in-country support, normative work, knowledge dissemination efforts or advocacy for social protection. Partners include ILO Member States, including from donor countries, employers' and workers' organizations, implementing agencies, civil society organizations, social security institutions, academia, UN agencies, International Financial Institutions, foundations and the private sector.

Notes

It will also be possible to register and attend the meeting online via Zoom at:

https://ilo-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1ZSM1LVpRIfoCjo0SNGYQ

Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish interpretation will be available.