

Newsletter # 8



We are pleased to share the latest edition of the ILO PROSPECTS newsletter. This issue is enriched with programme updates, as well as knowledge and communication products developed between May to August 2022. The increased number of activities covered reflect on how the programme has intensified as part of the recovery from the delays caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are now hearing more voices of the beneficiaries, especially youth, in their appreciation of ILO's support through a range of programmes, including skills and entrepreneurship development and opportunities for work-based learning. We hope to continue to scale up these investments in training and employment to further bridge the gap between labour market supply and demand. To further strengthen the ILO's technical inputs in PROSPECTS countries, the programme launched a review of national policies, legislative and regulatory frameworks and practice as they affect refugees and other forcibly displaced persons. The Iraq and Sudan reviews have now been published and are included in this edition.

The ILO PROSPECTS programme teams, together with the other partners, will continue to provide sustainable solutions for refugees, IDPs and host communities that address the challenge of protracted displacement. We look forward to sharing these updates through the PROSPECTS newsletter.



Ethiopia

A new programme was launched in remote areas of Somali region to establish a network of "Community Animal Health Workers" to provide doorstep veterinarian services to address challenges faced by the pastoralist community. Read more

At the country's first financial education certification workshop seven representatives of the Business Development Service providers successfully graduated as trainers. <u>See tweet</u>



Iraq

The ILO has embarked on a new partnership with the Kurdistan United Workers Unions to improve working conditions and to address the needs of workers at Employment Intensive Investment Programme sites in Dohuk. Read more

As part of the ILO PROSPECTS intervention on financial inclusion with the Central Bank of Iraq and commercial banks, access to loans has been facilitated for forcibly displaced people to start or expand businesses. Read more

A pool of national trainers, including from the Ministry of Youth and Sports, was trained on ILO's financial education curriculum. See tweet



Jordan

The ILO is supporting the access of hundreds of Syrian and Jordanian workers to formal employment and decent work through recognition of prior learning (RPL) in targeted governorates. Read more

With the Ministry of Youth, 80 Syrian and Jordanian facilitators were trained on Job Search Clubs. <u>See tweet</u>

A batch of 20 youth completed ILO's Think.COOP and Start.COOP training meant to help them establish, start and launch a cooperative. <u>See tweet</u>

As part of efforts to address child labour, child friendly spaces have been set up. <u>See tweet</u>

Kenya

The country celebrated graduation of the first cohort of workers



through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) programme. <u>Read</u> more



Lebanon

A competency-based training course gave Lebanese and Syrian trainees key skills needed to advance their careers in the agricultural sector. Read more

Lebanese and Syrian entrepreneurs supported by the ILO and UNICEF joined the first Youth Agri Market and shared their experiences on agribusinesses. <u>See tweet</u>

Village steering committees were empowered to support social and solidarity projects in agriculture and agro-food sectors to promote decent jobs and social cohesion among Syrian refugees & Lebanese. <u>See tweet</u>



Sudan

Construction contractors trained on the EIIP approach are contributing to job creation and improved infrastructure for hosts and refugees. Read more

Through the EIIP work, a new water access point was developed at Assalaya refugee camp. <u>See tweet</u>

Members of the Local Economic Development Committees and State Governments were trained on market systems. <u>See tweet</u>

228 refugee and host community entrepreneurs from Sudan's remotest parts benefitted from the financial literacy training. <u>See tweet</u>

Through the groundnut seed distribution initiative, small plot farmers were provided with improved seeds bringing better yields and income. <u>See tweet</u>



Uganda

Business support grants and business management training provided a new lease of life to some of the micro-enterprises struggling to recover from the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown measures. Read more

The ILO supported a team of trainers and a refugee contestant to participate at the WorldSkills Africa event in Namibia providing opportunities to learn from global talents. Read more

The Urban Cash for Work Programme generated employment and income for host and refugee communities in Arua. <u>See tweet</u>

The private sector organizations takin on apprentices in the work-based training programmes were trained on ILO's Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) modules. <u>See tweet</u>

Training on vocational skills prepared 175 host and refugee youth to enter the job market. <u>See tweet</u>

District and local government staff and ILO's implementing partners were trained on improving employment services for hosts and refugees. <u>See tweet</u>

Anchor Africa, an implementing partner for skill development programme captured voices of programme beneficiaries using innovative chats. <u>See posts</u>

MULTIMEDIA



Youth highlight importance of skills development for a better future

On the occasion of International Youth Day, young women and men from Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon and refugees living in these countries, share their experiences and hopes for the future. Watch video



Linking Lebanese hosts and Syrian refugees with jobs and labour market

In June 2022, the ILO and partners met with Lebanese and Syrian farm and plant nursery owners and workers, who have benefitted from the programme and visited a training centre in the north of Lebanon. <u>Watch video</u>



Promoting competency and market-based skills training in dairy farming

As Lebanon continues to reel under a multifaceted economic crisis, a competency-based training course gave Lebanese and Syrian trainees key skills needed to advance their careers in Lebanon's vital agricultural sector. Watch video

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), a chance for career growth, change and inclusion



The RPL initiative is supporting hundreds of Syrian and Jordanian workers in accessing formal employment and decent work in targeted governorates in Jordan, through skills development, coaching and mentoring, and formal accreditation. Watch video



Graduation ceremony of Recognition of Prior Learning in Kenya

In July 2022, the very first RPL graduation ceremony for 62 trainees took place. <u>Watch video</u>



Recognition of Prior Learning turns a new leaf in the careers of Kenyan workers

Joan Kago, Training Officer with Base Titanium, a Kenya based company, explains the importance of RPL for workers. <u>Watch video</u>



Gaining momentum – impact of ILO PROSPECTS activities in Uganda

The global ILO PROSPECTS team visited Uganda in June 2022 and witnessed the impact of PROSPECTS activities. Watch video



From a refugee TVET student to a trainer: A journey of becoming independent

Emmanuel Onen Lawrence, a refugee from South Sudan supported by PROSPECTS not only completed vocational training but also became a welding trainer. <u>Watch Video</u>



Developing businesses and employment together

ILO's Employment Intensive Investment Programme is educating local businessmen in Kenya on saving and investing for business development. <u>Watch Video</u>

Articles

Kenya has a rare chance to empower refugees

Lilyanne Ndinda, National Coordinator for Enterprise with ILO PROSPECTS Kenya, wrote an article for Business Daily Africa. <u>Read more</u>

Promoting Safe Access for Refugees and Host Communities to the Digital Economy

The UNHCR and ILO support a unique initiative which which seeks to improve the working conditions of forcibly displaced people and their hosting communities when

using digital labour platforms, to mitigate associated digital risks, and to work towards inclusive national and local employment strategies. Read more

PUBLICATIONS





Review of national policy, legislative and Review of national policy, legislative and regulatory frameworks, and practice in regulatory frameworks, and practice in Sudan Iraq



Comprehensive rapid assessment of public employment services in Uganda -With a special assessment in two target host community refugee settlements for the PROSPECTS programme



Turkana County integrated labour market assessment



ILO PROSPECTS in Ethiopia - at a glance ILO PROSPECTS in Jordan - at a glance







ILO PROSPECTS in Sudan - at a glance

Partnership for improving prospects for forcibly displaced persons and host communities - Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq



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