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The Employment Policy Department continues its work to support COVID-19 recovery through webinars ([Lessons from the COVID-19 crisis](#)) and resource mobilization ([ILO Skills structured funding dialogue](#)). The other focus continues to be work related to future of work drivers, including on demographic transitions ([Podcast](#) "Are we doing all we can to address ageing in the world of work?").

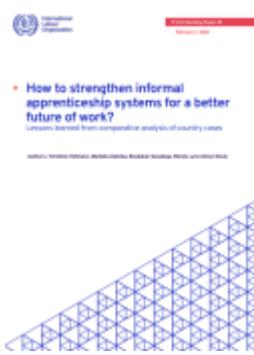
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LATEST PUBLICATIONS - PUBLICATIONS LES PLUS RÉCENTES - ÚLTIMAS PUBLICACIONES



Gender equality and women's empowerment in the world of work in fragile, conflict and disaster settings

This guide aims to enhance awareness of gender dimensions and issues in fragile, conflict and disaster settings and to provide guidance on gender mainstreaming in initiatives related to employment and decent work across the interlinkages between humanitarian, development and peace actions, also referred to as the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus. It aims to support ILO staff, constituents and other stakeholders working at global, national or local levels in ensuring gender-responsiveness in the world of work across the triple nexus. The guide supplements existing ILO resources in the areas of gender equality as well as disaster and conflict. It will be available in French and Spanish in April. [Read more](#)



How to strengthen informal apprenticeship systems for a better future of work?: Lessons learned from comparative analysis of country cases. ILO Working paper 49

This working paper undertakes a meta study on informal apprenticeship in developing countries. It compares the findings of country-level research conducted by the ILO and others in the past 15 years to shed more light on apprenticeship systems in the informal economy. It discusses the features and practices of informal apprenticeship systems, their responsiveness to rights at work, and the effectiveness of such systems along criteria such as dropouts, training quality, and transitions to employment. [Read more](#)



Crowdwork for young people: Risks and opportunities. ILO Working paper 50

In recent years, crowdsourcing has emerged as a small but rapidly growing source of employment and income principally for young(er) people. This paper analyzes the determinants of crowdworkers' earnings focussing on why young crowdworkers earn significantly higher hourly wages than their older counterparts. [Read more](#)



Youth labour market resilience during the COVID-19 crisis in three middle-income countries

This paper explores why some young people have been more resilient than others during the COVID-19 crisis. It relies on data from the unique Young Lives Study, based at the University of Oxford, which has followed the life trajectories of a generation of children – who are now young adults – for the past two decades. This generation of youth entered the labour market at the onset of the crisis. The analysis in this paper focuses on three middle-income countries – India, Peru and

Viet Nam – and highlights common patterns of individual responses to the crisis. [Read more](#)



Guidelines on the setting-up of effective job centres in developing countries with reference to Sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East and North Africa regions

These Guidelines on how to establish job centres (employment service centres) were developed in response to calls from ILO constituents and the YouMatch Project partner countries in sub-Saharan Africa and the Middle East and North Africa regions. [Read more](#)



Workshop report: The use of skills logbooks, skills passports, and other mechanisms to improve the portability of skills and qualifications

This report summarizes the discussions and outcomes of the second workshop under the Global Skills Partnership on Migration (GSPM) which took place virtually on 19-20 October 2021 with representatives of key international and national organizations, including employers' and workers' organizations, involved in work that deploys technology to strengthen systems that recognize skills and qualifications for employment and/or further learning. The GSPM initiative was created by the ILO, IOM, UNESCO, ITUC and IOE to mobilize expertise for the development and recognition of skills of migrant workers. [Read more](#)



Research brief: Note on the findings of a tracer study of RPL beneficiaries in Jordan

This note focuses on the ILO-supported Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) scheme, which contributed to the implementation of the Jordan Compact by allowing beneficiaries to have their skills recognised, providing access to an occupational license, and therefore becoming eligible for a work permit. The RPL scheme is open equally to both Syrian refugees and Jordanians. [Read more](#)



Brief: Digital technologies and how India can use it to its advantage

The brief provides insight on building and developing digital infrastructure to address the digital divide; how digital technologies can be used for productive transformation of the society and economy; and how institutions can be strengthened in the digital era. [Read more](#)

OTHER COVID-19 RELATED GUIDANCE AND TECHNICAL NOTES AND RESOURCES - AUTRES NOTES D'INFORMATION ET TECHNIQUES ET RESSOURCES LIÉES AU COVID-19 - OTRAS NOTAS INFORMATIVAS Y TÉCNICAS Y RECURSOS RELACIONADOS CON EL COVID-19



Other COVID-related resources

- [COVID-19 and employment policies: Resources and tools](#)
- [Development and investment for a sustainable response to COVID-19](#)
- [ILO SKILLS response to COVID-19](#)
- [Employment, Labour Markets and Youth: Responses to COVID-19](#)
- [Country assessments using Rapid diagnostics for assessing the country-level impact of COVID-19 on the economy and labour market - guidelines](#)
- [The socio-economic impact of COVID-19 in fragile settings: Peace and social cohesion at risk](#)
- [Employment-Intensive Investment-Programme's response to COVID-19](#)

PARTNERSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION - PARTENARIATS ET COOPÉRATION POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT - ASOCIACIONES Y COOPERACIÓN PARA EL DESARROLLO

• [**EU-ILO “Building partnerships on the Future of Work” project**](#)

This project funded by the European Union (EU) aims to contribute to shaping the future world of work in compliance with the [ILO Centenary Declaration](#) on the Future of Work. It does so by promoting a global approach to the changing world of work, and by finding workable and sustainable solutions to key challenges related to the changing nature of work. Here are the latest publications from the project:

- [Moving towards a life course perspective to labour market transitions: Approaches and challenges](#)
- [Automation and its employment effects: A literature review of automotive and garment sectors](#)
- [The state of the apparel and footwear industry: Employment, automation and their gender dimensions](#)
- [Measuring labour market transitions using a life-course perspective in selected developed and developing countries – an inventory of existing panel data and methods of analysis](#)
- [Solo self-employment and lack of paid employment: An occupational perspective across EU countries](#)
- [Technological progress and the dynamics of self-employment: Worker-level evidence for Europe](#)
- [Using pseudo-panels to analyse labour market transitions](#)

- **[Employment impact assessment to maximize job creation in Africa \(STRENGTHEN 2\)](#)**

STRENGTHEN 2 is a joint initiative of the European Union and the ILO that focuses on job creation through investments. The project is a strategic partnership with the overall goal of leveraging employment impact assessments to promote the creation of more and better jobs in sub-Saharan African countries. Here's the latest:

- News: ILO and development banks launch discussions on measuring the impact of investment projects on employment. [Read more](#)

- **[Le projet ProAgro Maroc](#)**

Le projet ProAgro Maroc propose une stratégie intégrée combinant soutien à la mise en œuvre de politiques d'emploi, développement des compétences, développement de chaînes de valeur agro-industrielles et formation à l'entrepreneuriat. Le projet est financé par l'Initiative spéciale sur la formation et la création d'emplois du ministère fédéral allemand de la Coopération économique et du Développement (BMZ).

Actualité:

- [En route vers l'insertion professionnelle et l'entrepreneuriat au Maroc](#)
- [Intelligence stratégique et anticipation des besoins en compétences](#)
- [L'OIT se mobilise pour promouvoir l'entrepreneuriat agricole](#)

- **[ProAgro Ethiopia](#)**

The project aims to support the Government of Ethiopia by contributing to the creation of more and better jobs in the agribusiness sector. The project is designed under the framework of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development's (BMZ) Special Initiative on Training and Job Creation. Here's the latest:

- A road to building the capacity of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises in Ethiopia. [Read more](#)
- The ILO ProAgro Ethiopia Project organized the first regional Technical Working Group meeting in Sidama Regional State, Ethiopia. [Read more](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS - ÉVÈNEMENTS À VENIR - FUTUROS EVENTOS

28 March

Virtual webinar: Lessons from the COVID-19 crisis: An unprecedented role for labour market policies?

This webinar will take stock of the different labour market policies and programmes employed during the COVID-19 crisis, highlight key lessons and gaps in their implementation, and identify major issues for further policy monitoring during the recovery period. The event is supported by GIZ. Information and registration [here](#).

28 March	<p>Virtual webinar: ILO Skills structured funding dialogue</p> <p>This event will bring together actors from the world of work, funding and development partners and programme countries to discuss the different funding modalities available to invest in skills development through the ILO and the results that can be achieved through this collaboration. The event will also provide a platform to introduce the Global Programme on Skills and Lifelong Learning, the operational arm of the ILO to deliver technical assistance on the subject. Register here. For more information and preliminary agenda visit the event page.</p>
19-20 April	<p>Virtual forum: The ECOSOC (the Economic and Social Council) Youth Forum</p> <p>The virtual forum's theme is "Building back better from COVID-19 while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda." The ILO and Decent Jobs for Youth will organize two side-events during the Forum on SDG 17 and the Youth Barometer. Read more</p>
25 April – 20 May	<p>ITC-ILO: Climate change adaptation through Green Works</p> <p>This four-week eLearning course provides an opportunity to explore how to effectively design and implement green works initiatives to transition to a greener and more resilient society. Participants will learn how to identify and develop interventions that reduce future impacts of climate change, while providing employment opportunities and enhancing the productive capacity of ecosystems. Information here</p>
9 May - 10 June	<p>ITC-ILO: Creating jobs through inclusive infrastructure investments</p> <p>This introductory course is an interactive e-learning opportunity to explore how to create more and better jobs through sustainable and inclusive infrastructure investments. By undertaking a review of different approaches and best practices, participants will learn more on how to design, implement and monitor infrastructure investments that boost job creation, at the same time addressing economic, social, and environmental challenges. Information here</p>
31 May	<p>World Employment Conference 2022 - The COVID cost for our youth: Helping young workers take their first step into the labour market</p> <p>During the conference, Decent Jobs for Youth will participate in a session titled "The COVID Cost for Our Youth: Helping Young Workers Take Their First Step onto the Labour Market." The session will review the steppingstones needed to help the so-called 'lost generation' take their first successful step into the labour market, and present concrete initiatives from the HR services industry ensuring that youth are moving towards decent and fulfilling work. Information and registration here</p>

RECENT EVENTS - EVÈNEMENTS LES PLUS RÉCENTS - ÚLTIMOS EVENTOS

22 March	Panel discussion on women's empowerment in the world of work in fragile settings
10 March	Webinar on Refocus, Retool, Reset, supporting young entrepreneurs post-pandemic
2 March	Webinar on Career Guidance for Building Young People's Future: The Role of Employment Services
1 March	How to monitor the impact of the COVID-19 crisis and the recovery process: Lessons from the ILO Monitor Series

NEWS - NOUVELLES - NOTICIAS

- [The ILO releases new guide to promote gender equality and empower women in the world of work in conflict, disaster and other fragile settings](#)
- [International Women's Day: Blog by Valeria Esquivel, ILO Employment Policies and Gender Specialist: Why Covid-19 recovery must be gender responsive](#)
- [Take the survey: Establishing a community of practice in Africa on the prevention of forced labour through skills and lifelong learning](#)
- [Exploration tool on skills mismatches](#)
- [Participate in the ILO Rapid Survey on the Impacts of COVID-19 on Work and Aspirations](#)
- [YouthForesight newsletter - collective knowledge that works for youth](#)
- [New Employment Services webpage: A gateway to information and tools for supporting effective job and career transitions through public employment services and private employment agencies](#)

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- [EMPLOYMENT Podcast. Global challenges – Global solutions: Are we doing all we can to address ageing in the world of work?](#)

- [Highlights video: 4th Employment Policy Research Symposium, Employment policies for a job-rich recovery and a better future of work](#)
- [Video: Gender equality in the world of work in crisis and fragile settings. In Spanish. In French.](#)
- [Podcast: Enhancing Durable Solutions - The Nexus and Forced Displacement](#)
- [ILO voices: From war to peace: A refugee's journey to a new life](#)
- [Webinar recording of the event, Refocus, Retool, Reset, supporting young entrepreneurs post-pandemic \(10 March\)](#)
- [Webinar recording of the event, Career Guidance for Building Young People's Future: The Role of Employment Services \(2 March\)](#)
- [Jobs and Skills Mismatch. Leadership Skills Summit 2022 in partnership with FP&M Seta. Senior Skills and Employability Specialist Olga Strietska-Illina kicks off the discussion.](#)
- [ILO PROSPECTS: Bringing new opportunities to Kenya with welding skills](#)