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Dear Reader,

We would like to invite you to mark your calendars for the official launch event of the Global Employment Policy Review (GEPR): Employment policies for inclusive structural transformation, tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, 31 March. More information to follow shortly. To learn more about the GEPR, click [here](#).

In addition, check out the newly released publication entitled [“Is the future ready for youth?”](#) that shines a spotlight on policies needed to address the youth employment challenge in a time of rapid transformation.

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LATEST PUBLICATIONS - PUBLICATIONS LES PLUS RÉCENTES - ÚLTIMAS PUBLICACIONES



Is the future ready for youth? Youth employment policies for evolving labour markets

Youth labour markets have seen enormous changes in the last decade. While young people are typically more digitally capable than older generations, the current employment prospects for young women and men are extremely challenging. Youth are most often the worst hit social group in times of crisis, and the COVID-19 pandemic has been devastating for young people.

Instead of asking whether youth are ready for the future, which places the burden on them, this book asks “Is the future ready for youth?” How do we ensure that the policymakers and the global community prioritize youth employment, so essential for sustainable development and social justice? This book brings together contributions from ILO staff with broad global experience in successful youth employment policies. They discuss the policies needed to address the challenge, in a time of rapid transformation, of achieving a better future for the youth. [Read more](#)



Sustaining peace through decent work and employment

This brochure was jointly developed by the ILO and the UN Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) of the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA). It aims to consider how underemployment and decent work deficits can exacerbate, particularly in times of COVID-19, grievances, inequalities, turmoil, conflict and violence. [Read more](#)



Des compétences pour lutter contre le travail forcé

L'OIT a lancé deux directives mondiales sur la prévention et la réintégration des victimes du travail forcé grâce aux compétences et à l'apprentissage tout au long de la vie. [Lire plus](#)



Technical brief: Employment impact assessment (EmpIA)

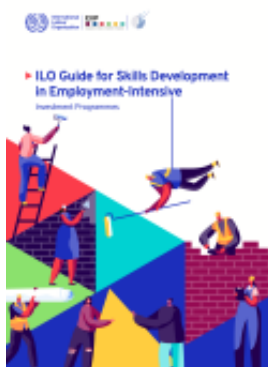
EmpIA is a process to assess the employment potential and impacts of sectoral policies and investments. While it is possible to conduct EmpIAs in a variety of sectors, this note focuses on the Employment Intensive Investment Programme's EmpIAs on investments in infrastructure, construction and related sectors. [Read more](#)

Towards mutual recognition of skills in the agriculture and construction sectors: Ghana, Nigeria and Togo (Forthcoming in April)

This report highlights the work that the ILO has done to respond to the demands of its constituents and to contribute to strengthening the skills partnership between Ghana, Nigeria, and Togo. It describes processes and lessons learned, and discusses challenges and opportunities with the perspective of moving



towards mutual recognition of prior learning, skills and qualifications.



ILO Guide for Skills Development in Employment-Intensive Investment Programmes (Forthcoming in May)

This joint publication, developed by the ILO's Employment Intensive Investment Programme (EIIP) in the Development and Investment Branch and the Skills and Employability Branch, contains guidance and recommendations for EIIP and skills practitioners to better integrate skills development for workers in EIIP programmes and projects, and reap benefits from the national skills development system. It reviews country examples and provides practical guidance for the design, planning, implementation, and evaluation of skills development through EIIPs.

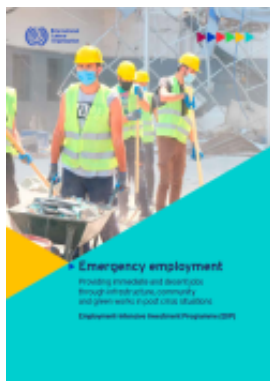
OTHER COVID-19 RELATED GUIDANCE AND TECHNICAL NOTES AND RESOURCES - AUTRES NOTES D'INFORMATIONS ET TECHNIQUES ET RESSOURCES LIÉES AU COVID-19 - OTRAS NOTAS INFORMATIVAS Y TÉCNICAS Y RECURSOS RELACIONADOS CON EL COVID-19



Summary and key recommendations - From crisis to opportunity for sustainable peace: A joint perspective on responding to the health, employment and peacebuilding challenges in times of COVID-19

This report summarizes key messages and recommendations from the [joint paper](#) by the ILO, the WHO, Interpeace and the UN Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) of the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs that examines policy and programmatic considerations for international health and employment interventions responding to COVID-19 in conflict-affected countries. [Read more](#)

Technical brief: Emergency employment



The Employment Intensive Investment Programme (EIIP) supports direct short-term employment creation (emergency employment) that provides immediate short-term cash income opportunities to vulnerable people or communities. Emergency employment schemes emphasize productivity, impact and decent working conditions. This note explains its policy framework and approach with concrete examples. [Read more](#)



Other COVID-related resources

- [COVID-19 and employment policies: Resources and tools](#)
- [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](#)
- [Development and investment for a sustainable response to COVID-19](#)
- [EIIP's response to COVID-19](#)

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

- [ILO support to Syrian refugees and host communities: Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt](#)

Within the framework of the Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan (3RP), the ILO is implementing a development-focused and employment-driven response, which aims to facilitate equal access to labour markets and promote decent work for all. This brochure frames the ILO support to Syrian refugees and host communities and highlights main achievements in Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, Turkey, and Egypt, in addition to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. It includes links to relevant assessments, tools, and publications, and impact stories relaying voices of beneficiaries in each of the five countries.

- [Peace and conflict analysis, a guidance note for ILO's programming in conflict and fragile contexts](#)

This note was developed through a collaboration between the Coordination Support unit for Peace and Resilience (CSPR) of the DEVINVEST branch and Interpeace. It illustrates how to integrate Peace

and Conflict Analysis into the ILO's country programming, including Decent Work Country Programmes (DWCP) and projects to work across all three dimensions of the Humanitarian-Development-Peacebuilding Nexus, as Recommendation 205 requires – and as the UN and development partners increasingly demand. The guide was developed with the support from the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs in the framework of a joint ILO and Peacebuilding Support Office programme to Sustain Peace and Foster Development through Employment Creation in Conflict-affected Situations.

- [STEM in TVET. Curriculum guide. An initiative of the ILO women in STEM workforce readiness and development programme](#)

This curriculum guide is an elaboration of the STEM programmes in TVET learning design framework. It has mapped out STEM competencies to the existing basic, common, and core competencies of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) in the Philippines. Qualifications from priority sectors such as ICT, agriculture, construction, automotive, metals and engineering, health and wellness, and tourism have been revisited for better alignment of the proposed STEM-oriented learning activities. The development of this guide was supported J.P. Morgan.

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Brochure: ILO Skills and Employability Branch

To learn more about the Department's Skills and Employability Branch, [click here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS - EVÈNEMENTS À VENIR - FUTUROS EVENTOS

23-24 March, 7
April

[ECOSOC Youth Forum session and pre-sessions on zero poverty and decent jobs for youth](#)

In preparation of the ECOSOC Youth Forum 2021 discussion on Financing for Development, The Global Initiative on Decent Jobs for Youth, ILO and UNCTAD are organising two pre-sessions on zero poverty and decent jobs for youth. **Register here**. The main session on Financing for Development will take place on 7 April. **Register here**

12 - 23 April

ITC/ILO e-course: [Rural development academy 2021: Human-centred recovery from the covid-19 pandemic](#)

21 - 22 April

[through decent work in Africa](#)

This edition of the Rural Academy provides an opportunity for the participants to learn and share on a range of innovative approaches, tools and methods for promoting decent work in human-centred recovery to the COVID-19 crisis in the rural economy of the African region. The course will be held in English and French. **Read more**

26 April - 4 June

[Skills Virtual Fair: South-south and triangular cooperation](#)

This webinar aims to identify innovative solutions, through South-South and triangular cooperation, for specific skills development challenges now exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. **Read more**

26 April - 28 May

[ITC/ILO e-course: Macroeconomic and sectoral policies for a sustained job recovery](#)

The main objective of the course is to strengthen the capacities of policymakers and social partners in the design and implementation of economic, employment and sectoral policies and strategies to foster a robust and inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and longer-term structural transformation processes required to meet the opportunities and challenges of the 21st century. **Read more**

12 May - 22 June

[ITC/ILO e-course: Promotion of youth employment in fragile settings](#)

This course will provide participants with a range of integrated approaches, tools, methodologies and real-life case studies, as they seek to promote youth employment and decent work in situations of crisis, including armed conflict, natural disasters, rapid environmental degradation and forced displacement of persons. **Read more**

[ITC/ILO e-course: Designing public employment programmes for a sustainable recovery](#)

Public Employment Programmes (PEPs) - or public works programmes - provide an adaptive policy instrument that can create employment, fill gaps in the provision of assets or services, complement social protection provisions and contribute to Active Labour Market Policies (ALMPs). This course will discuss how PEPs can contribute to a sustainable recovery. To apply for the course, click [here](#). **Read more**

23 February - 28
May

[Youth employment and politics seminars](#)

The Institute of Development Studies is organising a webinar series on youth research, featuring some members of our Global Policy Research Network on Youth Transitions. Decent Jobs for Youth partner, INCLUDE, will co-lead two webinars: i) Youth employment in Africa- critical issues for job creation and ii) Hard work and hazard. Youth in the rural economy in Africa. [Register here](#)

RECENT EVENTS - EVÈNEMENTS LES PLUS RÉCENTS - ÚLTIMOS EVENTOS

17 - 19 Mars

[Forum sur la construction verte et la création d'emploi au Sahel](#)

17 March

[ILO/IOE/WEC discussion forum: Promoting decent work in platform work](#)

(Includes recording of event)

15 - 16 March

[Quality and effective apprenticeships \(EU\) and international labour standards in apprenticeships \(ILO\)](#)

NEWS - NOUVELLES - NOTICIAS

- [Vocational training hampered by COVID-19 pandemic](#)
- [¿Cómo ser joven en tiempos de covid-19 en América Latina y el Caribe?](#)
- [Partnerships are key to promote skills development during COVID-19](#)
- [Promoting social cohesion in fragile contexts through TVET – A training workshop in Jordan](#)
- [Winners of the inaugural Cambodia Skills Challenge Innovation Call announced](#)
- [How the ILO can support vital public employment programmes during the COVID-19 crisis](#)
- [Improved irrigation for farmers and decent work for vulnerable workers in](#)

[the Kurdish Region of Iraq](#)

- [A fight for survival amid the pandemic in the Philippines](#)
- [Additional incomes help rural communities of Timor-Leste during the pandemic](#)
- [Iraq: Jobs, and cultural heritage the focus of new ILO-EU-UNESCO collaboration](#)
- [ILO to support disaster resilience through waterworks restoration in Ethiopia](#)
- [Conférence Nationale sur la Note stratégique pour le renforcement de la formation par apprentissage en Tunisie](#)

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- **Podcast:** [Global challenges – Global solutions: COVID-19 and the Employment Policy Response: The Global Employment Policy Review: Inclusive structural transformation, employment policies and innovative solutions for a better future of work \(forthcoming\)](#)
Find the full Global Employment Policy Review [here](#) and previous podcast episodes in the series [here](#)
- **Video:** [Transforming the future of work with soft skills](#)
- **Video:** [Diversity is the best ingredient](#)
- **Video:** [Stories from women working in the field in the ILO's Jordan EIIP](#)
- **ILO InfoStory:** [Peace and resilience through decent work](#)
- **ILO Voices story:** [A vision for domestic workers](#)

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