

RURAL DEVELOPMENT through DECENT WORK

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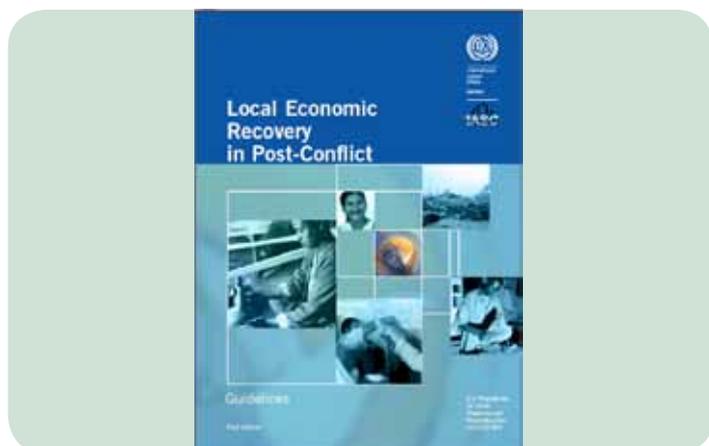


International Labour Office

Rural-Relevant Tools

Local Economic Recovery in Post Conflict Guidelines

Themes



How is it delivered?

- Handing out of guidelines
- Training
- Technical support

What are its components?

Three parts:

- LER Fundamentals
 - LER Conceptual Basis
 - Context, Issues and LER Applications
- LER in Action
 - Fact finding
 - Decision making
 - Action taking
- Toolboxes
 - Fact finding
 - Decision making
 - Action taking

What are the Local Economic Recovery in Post Conflict Guidelines?

Guidelines to provide criteria and instruments to take decisions on planning and implementing post-conflict employment promotion based on the local economic recovery (LER) approach; an area-based approach to economic recovery for job creation, income generation, and follow up action. Published in 2010, the guidelines are to be used as reference as contexts may vary substantially.

For whom?

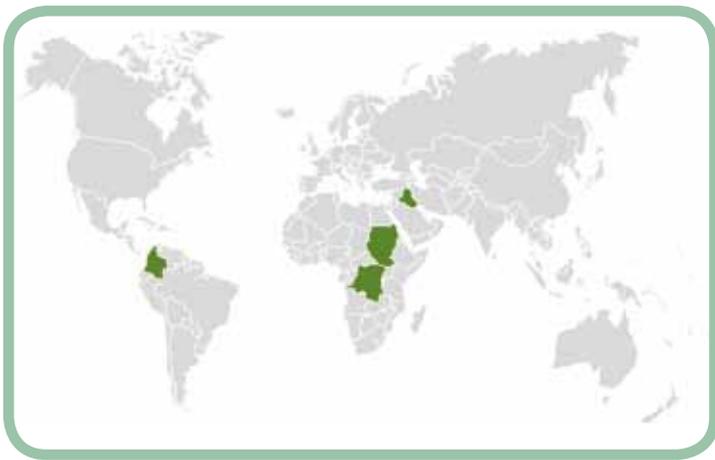
- **Direct beneficiaries:** Field practitioners, such as policy and decision makers, programme designers, managers and coordinators, implementers
- **Ultimate beneficiaries:** Conflict-affected populations, in particular entrepreneurs and special need groups such as women-headed households, ex-combatants, children associated with armed forces and groups, returning refugees and Internally Displaced People (IDPs), disabled persons

For what purpose?

- Short-term: Create temporary job opportunities to inject cash into the economy, reduce aid dependency and increase purchasing power; encourage and facilitate spontaneous recovery initiatives
- Mid-term: Recover conflict-affected productive and commercial circuits by removing the obstacles that inhibit their normal function; increase and stabilise employment creation
- Ultimately: Reintegrate conflict-affected groups in the economic and social life of a community and promote reconciliation



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Which technical areas are covered?

- Entrepreneurship development, enterprises and cooperatives
- Employability and skills training
- Business-enabling environment
- Labour-intensive infrastructure reconstruction
- Access to financial resources and microfinance
- Access to Business Development Services
- Public management and participation
- Dialogue and participation
- Governance
- Gender
- Enabling socio-economic recovery (policy and practice)

Can it cover more technical areas?

Yes, such as social protection and HIV/AIDS

Where has it been used?

In 5 conflict zones: Colombia, DRC Province of South Kivu, Iraq, Occupied Palestinian Territories, and Sudan (see map)

Which languages?

Available in 3 languages: Arabic (forthcoming in 2011), English, and Spanish

Is it suitable for rural areas?

Yes

What are its strengths?

- Flexible enough to fit different types of settings and needs
- Designed to be as comprehensive as possible, with a wide array of tools to be used for different aims when suggested
- Comprehensive approach integrating several technical areas
- A set of generic scenarios and related LER “models” are proposed among which the reader can pick the one best representing the targeted setting
- The generic LER models vary according to the content and scope of economic recovery and the degree of local ownership of the responsibilities related to initiation, coordination, planning and implementation
- The Guidelines make explicit reference (conceptual and/or operational) and link to ILO tools:
 - ILO-FAO *Livelihood Assessment Toolkit*
 - *Guidelines for Socio-Economic Reintegration of Ex-combatants*
 - *Operational Guide on the Economic Reintegration of Children Formerly Associated with Armed Forces and Groups*
 - ILO *Value Chain Analysis* approach

- *Demand-driven Approaches to Livelihood Support in Post-war Contexts. A Joint ILO-World Bank Study*
- *Gender Mainstreaming Strategies for Labour and Social Welfare Organizations, Employers’ and Workers’ Organizations. Gender Mainstreaming Strategies toolkit for Decent Work Promotion*
- *Gender and Employment Policies: Guidelines for Policy Formulation for ILO Staff and Constituents*
- The Guidelines are linked with the following UN tools:
 - the *Minimum Standards for Economic Recovery After Crisis* (Small Enterprise Education and Promotion/SEEP-Network)
 - the UNHCR-led *Return and Reintegration Information Management System* (RIMS)
 - UNHCR’ new *Framework for Reintegration*
 - the *Guidance Note on Early Recovery* (edited by UNDP Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery/BCPR)
 - *Inter-agency Standards for Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration* (DDR)

Is there a training course in ITC-Turin?

No, but one is forthcoming

Where to find more information?

- ILO/CRISIS webpage:
http://www.ilo.org/employment/AreasOfWork/lang--en/WCMS_DOC_EMP_ARE_CRI_EN
- LER Guidelines:
http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---ed_emp/documents/instructionalmaterial/wcms_141270.pdf

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