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8.7

Accelerator Lab

► The GALAB project: Intensifying action against child labour in

Brazil



Focus areas



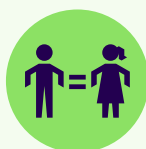
Child labour



Care economy



Domestic work



Gender



Policy



Social protection

► Key activities

- **Validation workshop:** Conduct a workshop with public and private entities to review research findings on child labour in Brazil's care sector.
- **Countries virtual exchange:** Support Brazil in organizing a virtual exchange with other countries to discuss child labour in the care sector.
- **Policy validation:** Conduct a workshop to validate recommendations for the National Care Policy and National Care Plan.
- **Working group:** Establish a working group on child labour in the care sector for regular virtual meetings.
- **Good practices collection:** Gather information on successful child labour prevention and elimination initiatives in Brazil.
- **South-South collaboration:** Develop new sections on the RILAC Observatory on child labour to foster knowledge sharing and collaboration. One section will showcase good practices and experiences, and the other will facilitate interaction between RILAC Members and other countries.
- **Platform validation:** Conduct a workshop to validate a new section on good practices and a new platform for South-South cooperation in the Regional Initiative Latin America and the Caribbean Free of Child Labour (RILAC) Observatory.
- **RILAC Focal Points virtual exchanges:** Organize online discussions and knowledge-sharing sessions for the RILAC Focal Points Network to learn from and share good practices in preventing child labour.

Context

Child labour prevalence

► 1.9 million

children are victims of child labour, representing 4.9% of the population of children aged 5-17 years.

► 6,7% of children

in child labour are in domestic work.¹

► Gender-based violence

against girls is a concern.



Unpaid care work

► Over 20 million

children perform household chores.

► Legal gap

Brazil's laws do not classify unpaid care work as child labour.

► Insufficient care services

Limited care services hinder women's labour market participation.

► Girls are overrepresented

Girls are disproportionately involved in care work.

► Expected achievements

- **Research:** Conduct research to evaluate the situation of child labour in Brazil's care sector and provide recommendations for integrating the prevention and elimination of child labour into the Care Policy and its National Plan of Action.
- **Child Labor Observatory:** Create a new section in the RILAC Observatory to showcase good practices and experiences from Brazil and other countries participating in the RILAC.
- **Collaboration platform:** Establish a platform within the RILAC Observatory to foster collaboration and knowledge sharing among countries.

¹ Data from the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE). Available at: <https://agenciadenoticias.ibge.gov.br/en/agencia-news/2184-news-agency/news/38703-child-labor-increased-in-brazil-between-2019-and-2022>.

What is GALAB project

The Global Accelerator Lab (GALAB) project, funded by the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) with a total budget of US\$15 million, is a major component of the ILO's [8.7 Accelerator Lab](#) initiative. It addresses the critical issues of child labour and forced labour which are key barriers to achieving Target 8.7 of the SDG on decent work and economic growth.

Operating in a global scale, the GALAB project fosters collaboration and knowledge sharing across regions. Through targeted interventions in several countries (Brazil, The Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ghana, Malaysia, Mauritania, Nigeria and Somalia) and regions (Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean), the project delivers impactful results at the global, regional and national levels.

GALAB project markers



Innovation: Conduct research on key issues and establish a knowledge management system to share good practices and promote innovative solutions for eliminating child labour and forced labour globally, regionally and nationally.



Strengthening workers' voice: Empower workers, especially in the informal economy, by supporting their organization and enhancing trade unions' capacity to combat child labour and forced labour through awareness campaigns, access to information, and complaint mechanisms.



Social protection: Expand social protection coverage to vulnerable households, helping to keep girls and boys in school and out of work.



Due diligence and transparency in supply chains: Support businesses in addressing child labour and forced labour risks by promoting due diligence frameworks and collaborating with key stakeholders such as the ILO's [Child Labour Platform \(CLP\)](#) and the ILO's [Global Business Network on Forced Labour \(GBNFL\)](#).

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GALAB project outcomes



Globally (Outcome 1): The GALAB project collaborates with the Alliance 8.7 multi-stakeholder partnership to eradicate child labour and forced labour. This collaboration strengthens global efforts and facilitates the development of innovative solutions with far-reaching impact.



Regionally (Outcome 2): The GALAB project collaborates with regional organizations and stakeholders to build capacity to address child labour and forced labour through knowledge-sharing platforms and the development of targeted regional strategies.



Nationally (Outcome 3): The GALAB project collaborates with national governments and local stakeholders to enhance national policies and develop effective strategies to eradicate child labour and forced labour.

