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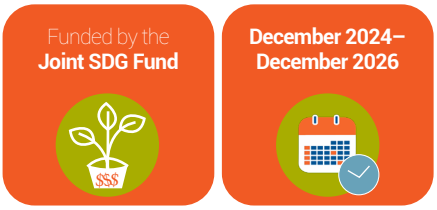
Global Accelerator for Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transition

The Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions (GA) is an initiative launched in September 2021 by the UN Secretary-General to help countries address multiple crises—including COVID-19, persistent informality, poverty and inequality, lack of decent jobs, and financing gaps—while preparing them for current and future challenges and opportunities arising from digital, green, and demographic transitions, as well as broader economic transformations.

The initiative aims to support the creation of millions of decent jobs, the extension of social protection to billions of currently excluded people, and the facilitation of "just" transitions for all. By placing decent work and universal social protection at the heart of recovery efforts, the Global Accelerator seeks to usher in a new era of shared prosperity, sustainable peace, and social justice.

As a means to achieve effective and coordinated multilateral cooperation, the Global Accelerator is supported by the UN system, the G7 and G20, the UN Joint SDG Fund, and public development banks. It is one of twelve High-Impact Initiatives identified within the UN development system to accelerator SDG progress between now and 2030. It also serves as a key vehicle for the Jobs and Social Protection Transition, one of the six transitions which are the investment pathways to deliver the SDGs.

The Global Accelerator is one of the main pillars of the Global Coalition for Social Justice, and responds to the call of the Singapore Statement to reaffirm tripartite commitments and the key role of social dialogue between government, workers, and employers to address the persistent decent work deficits around the globe, including in Indonesia. Funded by the Joint SDG Fund, the Global Accelerator in Indonesia operates under the strategic leadership of the UN Resident Coordinator, with three UN agencies (ILO, UNDP, UNICEF) collaborating to strengthen adaptive social protection and skills development for just transition in Indonesia.



Why is the Global Accelerator JP important?

The Asia-Pacific region is playing a pivotal role in advancing the objective of the Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions (GA), with six pathfinder countries—Cambodia, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, and Viet Nam—actively shaping national strategies to expand social protection, creating decent jobs, and facilitate just transitions. Each country is tailoring the GA approach to its national priorities, leveraging existing governance structures and multi-stakeholder engagement to drive systemic change.

Across the region, countries are leveraging the GA framework to address key economic and social challenges, from financing and social policy gaps, poverty, and labour market inequalities to the impact of climate change and digital transformation on decent employment and society. The GA is helping to strengthen institutional coordination, improve financing strategies, and align national employment and social protection policies with broader development and transformation goals. This collective effort highlights the Asia-Pacific region's commitment to achieving universal social protection and building resilient, inclusive, and future-ready labour markets that ensure decent work opportunities for all.

Theory of Change

Impact: To eradicate poverty and reduce inequalities for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Indonesia

Outcome 1: Accelerated social transformation in accessing social services through enhanced digitalized, transparent, inclusive information and financial systems for social protection

Outcome 2: Accelerated economic transformation for a competitive labour force and productivity

- Improved social protection backed by a social registration system
- Social, care, and labour services for the most vulnerable are ensured
- Equal and extensive skills development for everyone
- Adaptability for just transition strengthend

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Key areas of impacts

Improved social protection backed by a social registration system

- **Interoperability of socioeconomic registration and other national databases** including climate disaster data systems
- **Strengthening capacity** through evidence generation (research and evaluation), training, and budget simulation exercise.
- **Improving the socioeconomic registry** by developing recertification strategies and implementation manual.

Social, care, and labour services for the most vulnerable ensured

- **Reviewing and evaluating** the impact of existing social programs
- **Providing policy recommendations** for disability inclusion in National Action Plans
- **Strengthening social services** by facilitating dialogue between government and other relevant stakeholders for robust policy design

Equal and extensive skill development for everyone provided

- **Sectoral Skills Committee to encourage job creation** at the industrial level
- **Reforming national regulations** for just and inclusive employment, including apprenticeships
- **Leveraging innovative approaches** to catalyse human resource development, including the Skills Development Fund

Adaptability for just transition strengthened

- **Skills development of communities** that contribute towards just energy transitions
- **Evaluating the social impact** of climate change and just energy transition through evidence generation (research)
- **Strengthening local government capacity and resilience** towards climate change through village training workshops

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M-GA: Closing Disability Inclusion Gaps in Social Protection and Labour Across the Life Cycle in Indonesia

M-GA aims to close persistent gaps that exclude people with disabilities from social protection and employment. By combining the strengths of UNICEF, the ILO, and the World Bank, the programme supports integrated and responsive solutions across the lifecycle. This strategic alignment—across systems and institutions—is a hallmark of the M-GA approach.

- Strengthening employment and social protection services
- Expanding support for families and elderly individuals with disabilities
- Building institutional capacity and driving policy improvements

Key Government Partners

- Ministry of National Development Planning (Bappenas)
- Ministry of Environment
- Ministry of Village
- Ministry of Social Affairs
- Ministry of Finance
- Ministry of Manpower
- Ministry of Tourism
- Coordinating Ministry of Human Development and Culture
- Coordinating Ministry of Economic Affairs
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