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Social dialogue and the future of work

The future of work presents a number of opportunities and challenges that require common solutions achieved through social dialogue. Drawing on case studies from around the world, this thematic brief illustrates how social dialogue can play a key role in managing the future of work transitions,

work and achieving decent work for all. The brief aims to summarize the key drivers of change and possible effects on people, work and labour markets.

https://www.ilo.org/global/publications/books/WCMS_744465/lang-en/index.htm

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The role of public employment programmes and employment guarantee schemes in COVID-19 policy responses

The devastating effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have added urgency to putting in place the policy measures towards establishing an employment guarantee. Large-scale public employment programmes or employment guarantee schemes would form a critical part of such a guarantee through acting as an employer of last resort and offering work at a minimum wage to those willing and able to work.

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Summary

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COVID-19 has set off a wave of changes and generated immediate responses

The COVID-19 pandemic has rapidly evolved from a worldwide health emergency to the biggest global crisis since the Second World War. The pandemic has brought large parts of the world economy to a standstill, with dire social and economic consequences, and has triggered what is likely to be the largest global recession since the Great Depression. Most countries and workers in the world will be affected and many ILO estimates show that working hours have already fallen by the equivalent of 200 million full-time jobs because of the impact of COVID-19 and related measures.



COVID-19 AND CHILD LABOUR: A TIME OF CRISIS, A TIME TO ACT



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COVID-19 and child labour: A time of crisis, a time to act

The paper discusses the main channels through which the current pandemic can influence child labour, including fall in living standards; deteriorating employment opportunities; rise in informality; reduction in remittances and

migration; contraction of trade and foreign direct investment; temporary school closures; health shocks; pressure on public budgets and international aid flows.

https://www.ilo.org/ipecc/Informationresources/WCMS_747421/lang-en/index.htm

Publishers: ILO and UNICEF

Skills for employment policy brief - Distance and online learning during the time of COVID-19

The shift to online or distance learning during the pandemic should be seen first and foremost as an emergency response. However, the crisis also provides an opportunity for the development of more flexible learning solutions that make better use of distance learning and digital solutions.

https://www.ilo.org/skills/pubs/WCMS_743485/lang-en/index.htm

Publisher: ILO-Geneva



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The COVID-19 crisis is an occasion to reflect, innovate and build

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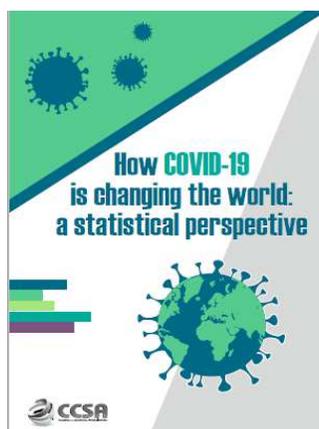
Most governments around the world have been generally slow to respond to the challenges of the crisis, and the impact on TVET and Skills Development has been particularly severe. The crisis has disrupted the supply of skills, and the demand for skills has been reduced. This has led to a significant loss of skills, and a reduction in the quality of skills training.

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How COVID-19 is changing the world: A statistical perspective

An ADB contribution to this report highlights the role of trade links on the economic impact of **COVID-19**. Analysis based on ADB's Multiregional Input-Output Tables shows the global cost of the COVID-19 pandemic could be 2–3 times

greater in 2020 than it would have been had a similar pandemic occurred in 2000.

<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ccsa/documents/covid19-report-ccsa.pdf>

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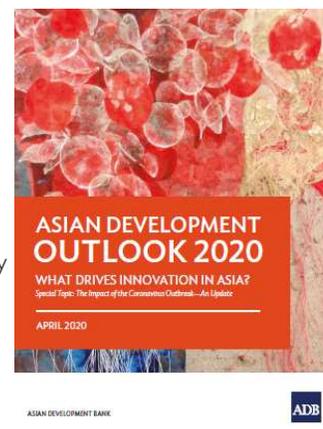
Asian development outlook (ADO) 2020: What drives Innovation in Asia?

Growth in the region is expected to slow sharply to 2.2 per cent in 2020 under the effects of the current health emergency and then rebound to 6.2 per cent in 2021. Excluding Asia's

high-income newly industrialized economies, growth will drop from 5.7 per cent to 2.4 per cent this year before recovering to 6.7 per cent next year. Headline inflation accelerated in 2019 as food prices edged up but remained low by historical standards. Inflation will climb further to 3.2 per cent in 2020, but declining food prices in the latter half of the year will set the stage for easing inflation in 2021. Downside risks to the outlook are severe, most notably from coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). In these difficult times, when challenges to growth abound, innovation is critical to inclusive and environmentally sustainable growth

<https://www.adb.org/publications/asian-development-outlook-2020-innovation-asia>

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