

UNICEF's work on Social Protection

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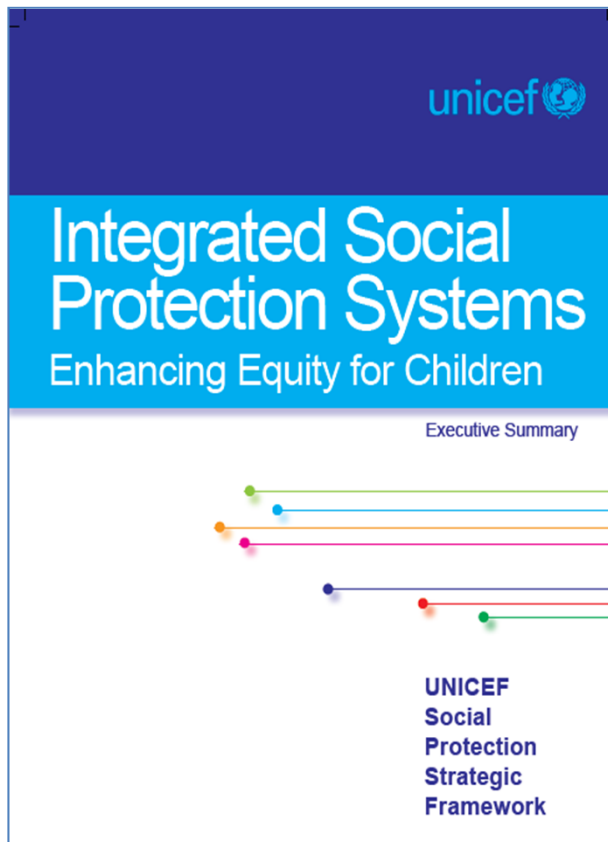
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UNICEF Social Protection Strategic Framework

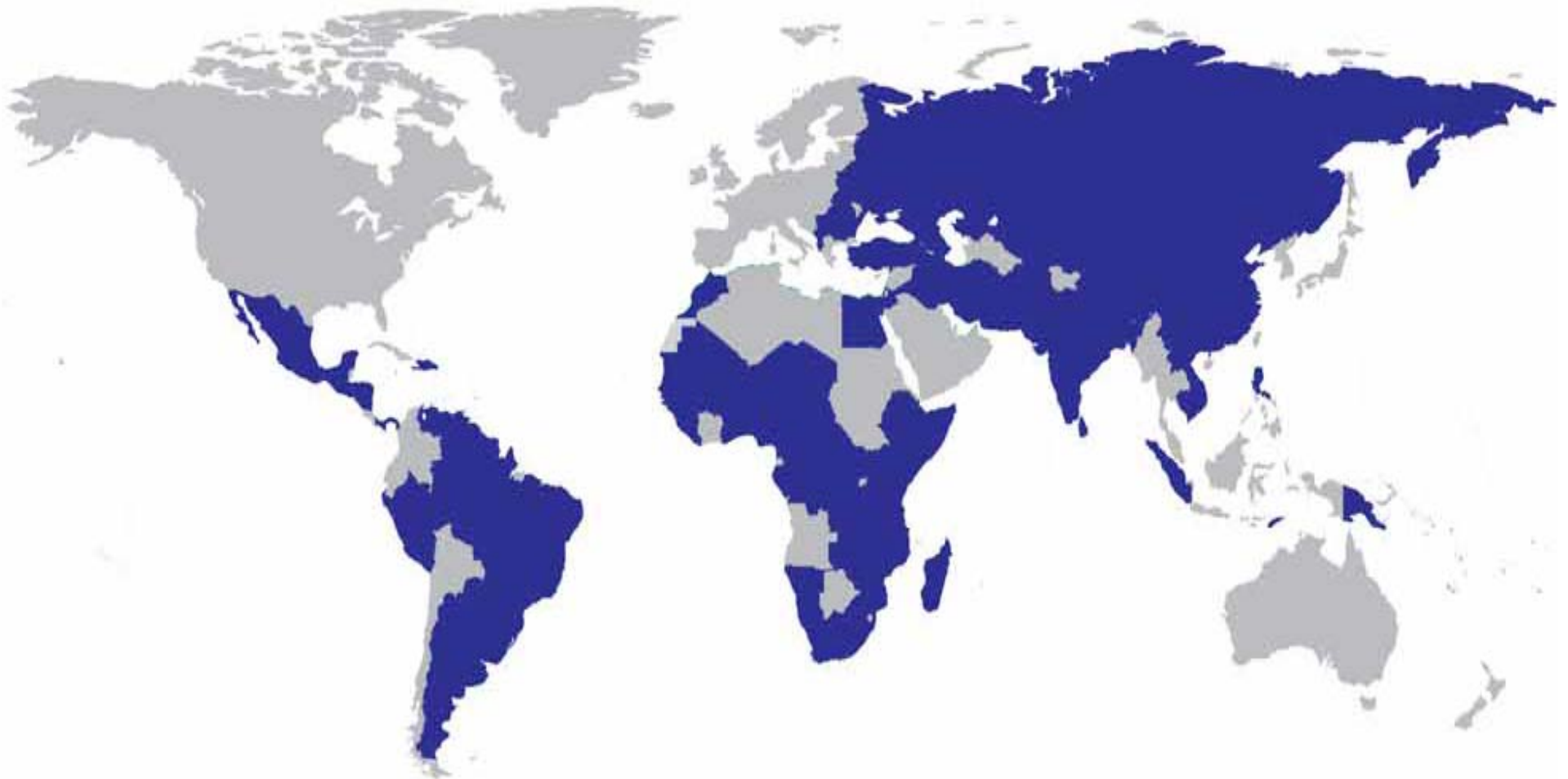
Key Messages



- In March 2012, UNICEF released its first global **SP Strategic Framework**
www.unicef.org/socialprotection/framework
Launch – New York, European Parliament
http://www.unicef.org/socialpolicy/index_45118.html
- UNICEF promotes **integrated social protection systems**
- Social protection strengthens **resilience, accelerates equity, human and economic development**
- UNICEF supports **Progressive Realization of Universal Coverage**
- Social protection can be **affordable and sustainably financed**

UNICEF work on social protection

- UNICEF is engaged in more than 124 social protection interventions in 93 countries
- Experience in low income and fragile settings



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Technical assistance in the **design and implementation** of SP programmes/systems



Costing of and identifying fiscal space to expand investments in social protection



Promoting **knowledge/evidence and forging alliances** in social protection



International advocacy to promote social protection floors

Regional and Country Examples

Africa:

- Building/Scaling-Up Social Protection Systems, including costing of schemes – Mozambique, Ghana, Senegal, Madagascar
- HIV-Sensitive Social Protection: Ghana, Lesotho, South Africa, Kenya, Malawi
- From emergency to long-term social protection systems: Niger, Kenya, Liberia
- Contribute to build solid evidence base: impact evaluation of social protection interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa

MENA:

- Identification and costing of pro-child policy options, including child-sensitive social protection in the context of fiscal rebalancing of fuel subsidies
- ILO-UNICEF Costing Tool - Egypt

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ASIA:

- Building/Scaling-Up Social Protection Systems, including costing of schemes – Nepal
- Advocating for child-sensitive social protection schemes: Viet Nam, Thailand, Myanmar

Latin America and the Caribbean

- Post emergency: Haiti: Support new government in defining Social Protection system, in close collaboration with major partners
- Supporting social protection reform and regional capacity building Eastern Caribbean

CEE/CIS:

- Linking child protection and social protection services – Armenia
- Promoting equitable and inclusive systems within systems reform - Georgia

Global Advocacy and Partnerships



- Key actor in **SPF-Initiative**
 - Developed Costing Tool
 - Contributor to flagship “Bachelet” Report – launched October 2011
 - Created inter-agency SPF website:
www.socialprotectionfloor-gateway.org
- Close collaboration with key global actors (World Bank, ILO, IDS, EU, etc.) to raise the profile of social protection and make the case for integrated social protection systems

So – How can we work together?



SPF Costing Tool: Users can estimate costs for the following cash transfers:

- child benefits,
- old-age pensions,
- disability benefits,
- orphan benefits,
- education stipends,
- birth lump-sum benefits,
- youth labour market programmes, and unemployment programmes

- **Designing/scaling-up integrated social protection systems**
 - National Ownership: Politics of Social Protection
 - Expansion of coverage
 - Sequencing and Prioritization
- **Costing** – Online SPF tool to start discussions:
<http://www.socialprotectionfloor-gateway.org>
- **Fiscal Space for Social Protection**
- **Institutional Capacity**
- **Monitoring/Evaluation, Research**
- **Advocacy**

THANK YOU

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