

#### 20th ICLS



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## SDG Indicator 8.b.1:

Proposed methodology

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#### Introduction

 Youth (15 to 24 years old) represent the promise of changing societies for the better, yet...

... more than 63 million youth are unemployed globally and 141 million work but live in poverty

- Youth un- and underemployment carry high social and economic costs and need targeted polices or strategies:
  - Global Jobs Pact
  - Call for Action on Youth Employment



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### Background

- 2030 Development Agenda youth central to agenda.
- **Target 8.B:** By 2020, develop and operationalize a global strategy for youth employment and implement the Global Jobs Pact of the International Labour Organization.
- Indicator 8.b.1 "Existence of a developed and operationalized national strategy for youth employment, as a distinct strategy or as part of a national employment strategy"





### Background-SDG 8.b.1

- ILO custodian for youth employment indicators, including 8.b.1
  - Tier III indicator.
  - ILO to:
    - define standardized methods for data collection and analysis
    - establish mechanisms to compile data
    - maintain databases which can be used for reporting



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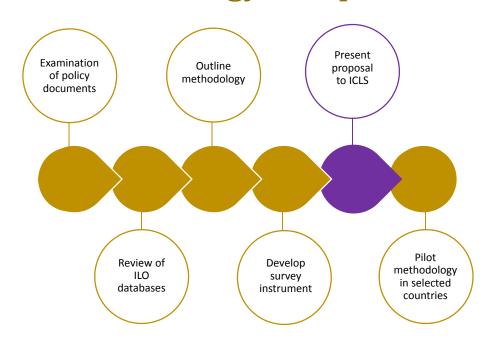
### The methodology: building blocks

- Global policy instruments:
  - The youth employment crisis: A call for action
  - Recovering from the crisis: A global jobs pact
- ILO databases:
  - YouthPol
  - EmPol
- ILO relevant expertise and experience:
  - Department of Statistics
  - Employment Policy Department
  - Extensive experience supporting knowledge development and capacity building



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#### The methodology: the process





#### Concepts and definitions

Indicator 8.1.b "Existence of a developed and operationalized national strategy for youth employment, as a distinct strategy or as part of a national employment strategy"

- Developed national strategy: official document articulating set of measures and provisions to promote youth employment within a timeframe.
  - Youth-specific (adopted) policy or strategy
  - Youth focus mainstreamed in (adopted) national development plans or national employment policy
- Operationalized strategy: evidence of implementation, e.g. budget review, progress report.



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## Data collection and compilation

#### Data provider

 National entities responsible for development, employment and youth policies

#### Data compiler

 ILO will compile data provided by national entities

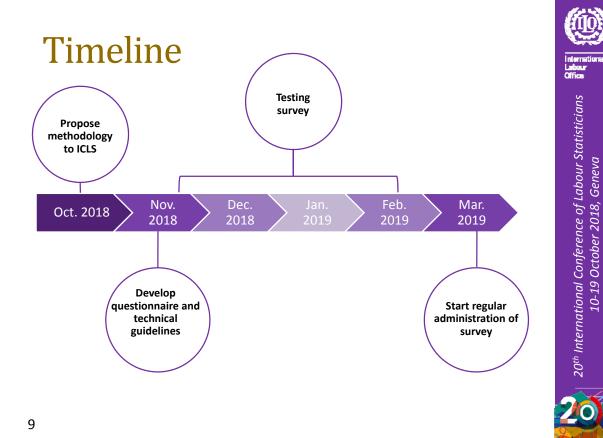
#### Modalities

- Global survey for data collection: biennial questionnaire sent to governments
- ILO to compile and disseminate data
- Data validation through regular quality checks



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## Method of computation

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2	National strategy for youth employment developed and adopted
3	National strategy for youth employment operationalised



#### Method of computation

• In all cases, the grid refers to a national strategy for youth employment as a distinct strategy or as part of national employment strategy.

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- Missing values to be noted as such
  - To be omitted from global and regional breakdowns
  - Global and regional response rates to be indicated
- Development of metadata note to complement grid under consideration
- More detailed analysis of selected country documents for purposes beyond SDG monitoring may be envisaged



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## Issues, limitations and data release

- Indicator 8.b.1 to track progress in addressing youth employment issues
  - Assumes an adopted and operationalised strategy means greater attention by government to youth employment challenges vs. no adopted/operationalised strategy
- Governments may have *de facto* national strategies but lack *de jure* documentation of implementation, or lack implementation.
- Data to be released annually



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#### Follow up activities

- This methodology, reviwed by the 20th ICLS, will provide the basis for the development and monitoring of Indicator 8.b.1 in as many countries as possible
- Envisaged collaboration with national actors:
  - To prepare technical guidelines for data collection, processing, analysis and transmission
  - To provide technical assistance through training and capacity building to governments on Indicator 8.b.1
  - Organize information sessions with social partners on Indicator 8.b.1



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#### Thank you

