Measurement of volunteer work
Introduction

• ILO - United Nations Volunteers programme (UNV) collaboration
• Tools and guidance
• Country support
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ILO-UNV collaboration

- Dedicated project from 2017 to 2022
  - New Labour Force Survey module and guidance
  - Training materials and courses
  - National data aggregation
  - Support to the UNV’s estimation/measurement efforts
  - Country support

- Continued collaboration
  - Promoting and supporting implementation of standards and tools
Tools and guidance

Volunteer work measurement guide

- Replaces measurement guidance provided in the ILO Manual (2011)
- Published in May 2021 and available in five languages
- Contains a new LFS add-on module and implementation advice
- Developed through qualitative and quantitative research conducted in Ukraine and Senegal
- Ukraine applied the guidance to produce official volunteer work statistics in 2021
- Other countries and organizations are working/planning to do so
Country support

- Live online courses
  - Standalone
  - Labour Market Statistics and Analysis Academy
  - Unpaid care work
- Self-learning free online course in five languages
- On-demand assistance
  - Direct requests
  - Through the UNV
Volunteer work statistics in ILOSTAT

- Dedicated page on ILOSTAT: https://ilostat.ilo.org/topics/volunteer-work/
- Four tables in the database
- Updated each year
- Data on 62 countries

- 20 countries collect data in 2023
- 37 countries have plans to measure volunteer work from 2024 to 2028 (mainly Africa, Europe and Americas)
Volunteer care work

- Volunteers do a lot of care work
- Comprehensive measurement of unpaid of care work
- Searching for ways to identify volunteer care activities using
  - definition from the ILO report on care work
  - data from Ukraine
  - ICATUS and ISCO
- Experimental results:
  - 41% of all volunteers performed care tasks
  - women: 49%, men: 31%
  - urban: 45%, rural: 36%
  - in labour force: 39%, out of labour force: 47%
Future work

- Promoting and supporting the use of the ILO measurement guidance
  - Collaboration with the UNV is crucial
  - Key problems face by countries
    * Not a priority, No capacities, No resources
- Collaboration with the UNV on estimates and analysis
- Applying employment-related concept to volunteer work
  For example:
  - Decent work
  - Underemployment
  - Labour underutilization
- Developing new concepts
  For example: micro volunteering
Any questions?