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▶ Decent work in supply chains

For more resilient, inclusive and
sustainable supply chains





Supply chains in a changing world of work

In today's rapidly changing world, the future of work is being shaped by:

- ▶ technological advances,
- ▶ climate change,
- ▶ demographic shifts,
- ▶ geopolitics,
- ▶ trade turbulences and
- ▶ emerging governance frameworks.

These **drivers of change are transforming global production networks and supply chains**. Supply chains contribute to economic growth, job opportunities and poverty reduction. But they can be associated with significant governance gaps and downward pressure on working conditions.

Sustainable supply chains to build forward better

In 2020, the **International Labour Organization and the European Union** launched a project that uses global supply chains as an entry point for advancing **decent work in five countries and five sectors** of importance to the European market.

-  **Textiles and clothing manufacturing in Madagascar**
-  **Electronics manufacturing in Viet Nam**
-  **Coffee production in Colombia**
-  **Fisheries in Namibia**
-  **Rubber gloves manufacturing in Malaysia**

The ILO–European Union's [Sustainable Supply Chains to Build Forward Better](#) project supported governments, employers' and workers' organizations and other sectoral actors to advance decent work in five supply chains by equipping them with **new knowledge, tools, guidance, policy advice, technical assistance and training**.

The research carried out during the project highlighted decent work challenges and opportunities in the five countries and sectors. Each sector contributes to each country's continued growth and development in different ways, but employers and workers in these sectors experience formidable challenges in terms of advancing decent work.

- ▶ Learn more about the project intervention and results: ilo.org/SSCBFB

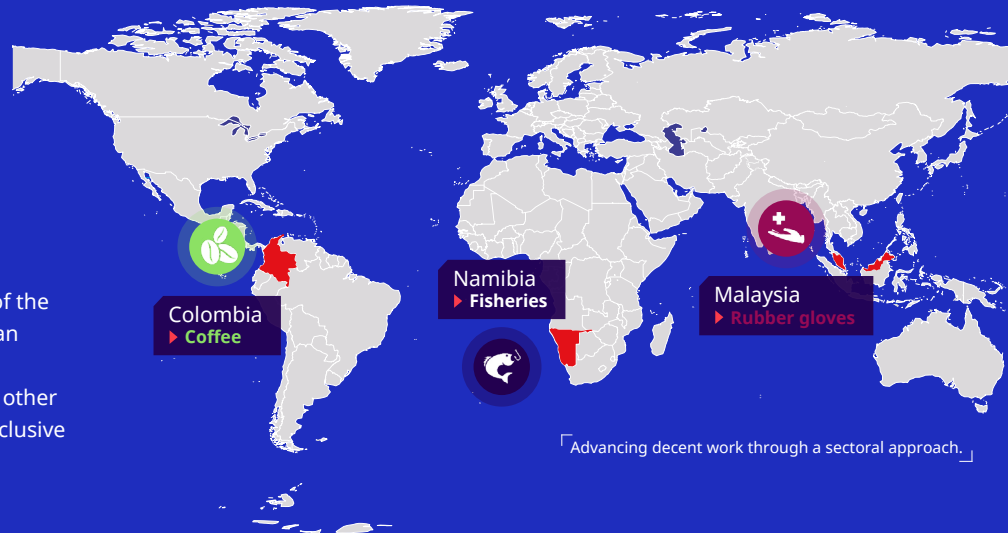


A new EU-funded ILO project

Supply Chains for a Sustainable Future of Work

Building on the results and good practices of the just-completed project, the ILO and European Union continue to support governments, employers' and workers' organizations and other sectoral actors to arrive at more resilient, inclusive and sustainable global supply chains.

The new project – [Supply Chains for a Sustainable Future of Work](#) – targets three sectors and their supply chain: **coffee in Colombia, rubber gloves in Malaysia and fisheries in Namibia**. The project uses these supply chains as an entry point for further advancing of full and productive employment and decent work as well as respect for fundamental principles and rights at work.



With funding from the European Union, the ILO provides technical assistance and policy advice to constituents and actors in the three supply chains to continue the valuable work **towards more resilient, inclusive and sustainable supply chains**.

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Changing and improving people's lives in supply chains



Initiatives like this are important because they recognize us and they give us the courage to work and move forward.

Hony Avilez,
The first certificated woman recognized as a coffee picker

▶ An impactful partnership with lasting results

Thanks to the project, Honny Avilez became the **first certified national coffee picker in Colombia**. She has been collecting coffee beans for almost two decades and she never received any kind of certification until the *Sustainable supply chains to build forward better* project **recognized her 17 years of work in the coffee sector**.

Watch her full story here [video](#).

