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# **Informal Economy and Labour Inspection**

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# Informal Economy

*“All activities that are, in law or practice, not covered or insufficiently covered by formal arrangements.” – ILC Resolution (2002)*

Linked to other issues of concern for labour inspection:

- Forced labour
- Child Labour
- Unsafe working conditions



# Challenges

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- Evidence that informal economies are continuing to increase;
- Reduction in funding and resources for many labour inspectorates;
- Difficulties in identifying the existence of unregistered workplaces;
- Challenges in targeting and reaching employers and employees within the informal economy;
- Target the exploiters, not the exploited.



# The Role of Labour Inspection

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# Joint Working & Regional Co-operation

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- Co-ordinated, integrated effort required;
- IALI has developed tools to support members to find new means of establishing joint approaches;
- International Common Principles to provide the basis for a common approach;
- Based upon requirements for ethical, effective labour inspection



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## International common principles for labour inspection





# Thank you

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