



► Measurement, Awareness Raising, and Policy Engagement project (MAP16) in Niger

The MAP16 project contributes to the promotion of decent work in Niger by supporting the national movement for the elimination of child labour in all its forms, in particular the worst forms of child labour.



National context

The Government of Niger is committed to combating child labour and the worst forms of child labour and has ratified the main related international legal instruments. From the 2000s, with the support of its partners, the Niger Government committed itself to a Sustainable Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (SDDRP). The implementation of the Poverty Reduction Framework Program (PCLCP) was strengthened with the development of the Poverty Reduction Strategy (PRS) as part of the highly indebted poor countries initiative (IPPT). Today the issue of child labour is elevated to the rank of national priorities

and is integrated into the economic and social development plan (PDES) 2017-2021.

The first National Action Plan to Combat Child Labour (PAN-LCTE) was adopted in March 2000. In order to take into account the new challenges and opportunities to combat the phenomenon, the latest National Action Plan (NAP) will result from the update of the 2016-2020 NAP and will be implemented for the period 2021-2025.

The Ministry of Employment, Labor and Social Protection initiated the process of drawing up the NAP and asked the International

Labour Office to support it in this exercise. The development of the NAP to combat the Worst Forms of Child Labour is part of the overall strategic framework for the implementation of the national child protection policy which itself goes hand in hand with the implementation of important sectoral policies and strategies as well as certain national programs and action plans already adopted by Niger. The NAP is inspired by a preliminary baseline study on child labour carried out in 2019 and by the results of the reflections of three regional workshops.



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Children working in a metal carpentry workshop, Niger

Project activities in Niger include:

- The finalization, validation, adoption, financing and implementation of the National Action Plan (PAN) to combat child labour.
- Strengthening the fight against child labour in agriculture, and in particular against the worst forms of child labour.
- Institutional capacity building for the main stakeholders (National Steering Committee, child labour unit, labour inspectorate and social partners)

Partners The Ministry of Employment, Labor and Social Protection; Employers' Organizations; Trade union organizations; The Ministry of Agriculture; Civil Society Organizations.

Target beneficiaries The Government; Employers' Organizations; Trade union organizations; Families and children; Families, children, employers, civil societies, communities.

Project value US\$ 200,000.

Timeline Activities in Niger run from November 2020 – June 2022.

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