

## BUILDING SOCIAL PROTECTION FLOORS WITH THE ILO

# EVIDENCE-BASED SOCIAL PROTECTION POLICY MAKING WITH THE INTER-AGENCY SOCIAL PROTECTION ASSESSMENT (ISPA) TOOLS



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### ADDRESSING FRAGMENTATION OF SOCIAL PROTECTION INTERVENTIONS

In many countries, social protection systems are fragmented, often leading to gaps or inefficient duplications of benefits and services. In order to improve the performance of social protection systems, the Social Protection Interagency Cooperation Board (SPIAC-B) initiated the work on the Interagency Social Protection Assessment (ISPA) tools in 2014. Countries can use these tools to ensure policy coherence and a sound design when extending or reforming their social protection systems or programmes. Through a participatory and multi-sectoral approach, ISPA tools provide a consistent, sound and agreed framework for the analysis of social protection systems, programmes and/or delivery mechanisms. The tools can be used at any step in the policy-cycle and be adapted to any country context.

### FACILITATING SOUND ANALYSIS OF SOCIAL PROTECTION SYSTEMS AND EVIDENCE BASED POLICY MAKING

Each tool consists of:

-  A Guidance Note conceptual foundation
-  A data collection framework to gather quantitative and qualitative information
-  A set of assessment criteria and matrix to present an overview of the findings
-  Implementation guidelines for a participatory process that emphasize country ownership and inter-agency process as well as cross-sectoral coordination

Applying ISPA tools enables countries to build the knowledge base for evidence-based policy making through a participatory process for building consensus around identified policy options.

The full set of tools under development aims to address every aspect of a social protection system. Currently, the following tools are available:

- Core Diagnostic Instrument (CODI): For an assessment of the entire social protection system
- Social Protection Policy Options Tool (SPPOT): For the assessment of identified policy reform options
- Public Works Programmes for Social Protection (PWP) tool
- Identification Systems for Social Protection (ID) tool
- Social Protection Payments Tool: For an assessment of Payment Systems for SP programmes
- Social Protection Programmes for Food Security and Nutrition tool (FSN)

The following tools are currently under development or identified as priority to be developed:

- Social Health Protection
- Social Protection System Statistics, Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)
- Social Protection Financing
- Disabilities
- Social Information Systems/ Social Registries
- Complaints and Appeals

### STRENGTHENING CAPACITIES AT COUNTRY LEVEL

For each tool, a set of online and face-to-face training as well as communication materials are available and it is foreseen that relevant stakeholders at country level are trained in the use of the ISPA tools as part of the application process.



### WORKING TOGETHER for EFFECTIVENESS

For the success of strengthening social protection systems, coordination between ministries, government agencies, employers' and workers' organizations, civil society, and the Development Partners Coordination Council is crucial. The ISPA initiative at global level brings together more than twenty UN agencies and development partners. At country level, all relevant national and international stakeholders are invited to participate in the process.

### FROM RIGHT TO REALITY WITH YOUR SUPPORT

The ILO has long-standing experience in extending social protection to all. With your help, countries will ensure that social protection systems cover everyone's needs.

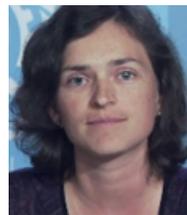
You can support us by:

- Financing an ISPA tool country application. US\$ 50,000-120,000
- Supporting the ISPA tool country applications helpdesk. US\$ 112,000 p.a.
- Developing a set of in-depth training materials and online-training for one tool. US\$ 25,000
- Organizing ISPA face-to-face trainings for national staff. US\$ 25,000 – 140,000
- Developing a new ISPA tool. US\$ 250,000 per tool

### LISTENING TO YOUR AMBITIONS

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