



Social protection is a central element of the human-centred approach of the ILO Centenary Declaration for the Future of Work.

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It is essential to adapt social protection systems to the changing characteristics of labour markets and prepare for the future of work.

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Social security is essential to empower people, make economies productive and leave no one behind.

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Many workers in the informal sector remain unprotected and vulnerable to decent work deficits in the ASEAN region.

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New forms of employment are expected to grow. To adapt the social security systems to the new reality, sharing good practices has become more important in the region.

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We should ensure our economic and social policies are human-centered.

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244 million workers in the ASEAN region work in informal employment, lacking social protection coverage.

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There is no one-size-fits all strategy to extend social protection.

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The platform economy increases convenience. Who is responsible for their social protection coverage? That's a key question.

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Employers and workers often argue but also achieve the common objectives at the end. The same should apply to social protection issues.

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Bilateral social security agreements have potential to protect migrant workers in the ASEAN region.

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We must extend social protection coverage to a large vulnerable group, to achieve no one left behind.

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Social protection is a cross-sectoral initiative. The future of social protection should intentionally include cross-sectoral coordination mechanisms.

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Social protection can become reality only when local governments have capacity to deliver.

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While governments are responsible for social protection policies, employers are responsible for consultations and contributions.

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Ensuring the impact of social protection policies requires quality data on the labour market.

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The ASEAN regional cooperation has become greater, not only because we play more important roles but also face common challenges.

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