

BUILDING SOCIAL PROTECTION FLOORS WITH THE ILO

## TOGETHER, TO CHANGE MILLIONS OF LIVES IN SENEGAL



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### A PLURALITY OF APPROACHES YET INSUFFICIENT TO COVER THE POPULATION

The Government's commitment to the extension of social protection is clearly stated in its national development vision 2035, the "*Plan Senegal Emergent*". Such commitment is also reiterated in its national social protection strategy 2016-2021 as "by 2035, Senegal will have an inclusive social protection system, firmly rooted in national culture and guaranteed by the State through legislation".

The Strategic Development Plan for Health Insurance Coverage 2013-2017 aims to reach universal health coverage, building on the existing mandatory social health insurance for private sector employees and civil servants and promoting social mutual schemes for informal workers and community health mutual funds. To date, effective coverage of the population remains below the objective of universal coverage set by the Strategic Development Plan.

In addition to social health protection, other social risks faced by civil servants and private sector workers are covered by mandatory social insurance. Social assistance programmes support the poorest and most vulnerable segments of the population, notably through the flagship family safety net programme "*Programme national de bourses de securite familiale*".

### IMPLEMENTING A SCHEME ADAPTED TO WORKERS IN THE INFORMAL ECONOMY

Workers in the informal economy represent about 60 per cent of non-agriculture employment in Senegal. In its efforts to promote extension of coverage and formalization, the Ministry in charge of labour and social security, with ILO's support, designed a simplified scheme for small contributors. The scheme seeks to provide social protection to workers in the informal economy and support their transition towards formalization.



The scheme builds on the strength of sectoral organisations to connect with their workers and articulates its benefits with existing national social protection agencies, such as the Agency for Universal Health Coverage (*ACMU*), the National Social Security Funds (*CSS*) and the Senegal Institute for Pension Protection (*IPRES*). The scheme is also an opportunity to further support efforts to formalize the employment of 2.2 million workers. The first sectoral mutual of the simplified scheme targeting handicraft workers will be launched by December 2018.

## THE SIMPLIFIED SCHEME FOR SMALL CONTRIBUTORS

The simplified scheme for workers in the informal economy is one priority of the national strategy to develop Senegal.

This part of the active population, which contributes substantially to the economy of the country, should not remain outside the system of social protection.



- Aboubacar Wade, Director of Minister Office, Ministry of Labour and Social dialogue, 1 December 2016

## FROM RIGHT TO REALITY WITH YOUR SUPPORT

The ILO is a key partner of the Government of Senegal in implementing its social protection agenda. ILO has long-standing experience in supporting countries to provide and extend social protection. With your help, we can extend social protection to all people in Senegal and make SDG 1.3 a reality.

With your help, we can:

- Support the strengthening of the social protection legal framework.

US\$ 100,000

- Support the Government in identifying sustainable social protection financing options.

US\$ 500,000

- Support the Government to roll out the simplified scheme for small contributors through capacity building for implementing and monitoring the scheme, sensitization and communication as well as scaling-up of the scheme, including to other social protection branches.

US\$ 2,000,000

- Build capacity, provide technical assistance and facilitate South-South exchange of experiences for improved coverage and governance of the universal health care system.

US\$ 1,000,000

## LISTENING TO YOUR AMBITIONS


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