Social Protection for Sustainable Development

Designed in partnership with the International Labour Organization (ILO) Social Protection Department, this online course equips participants with a solid understanding of social protection and its relevance for Sustainable Development. The course will showcase experiences from countries representing different contexts and regions on work done to extend social protection in the context of the 2030 Agenda.

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Introduction

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) lay out a set of key development objectives for developed and developing countries alike to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure prosperity for all.

Among the priorities agreed upon by Member States is social protection—repeatedly cited in the agenda as a primary means to reduce poverty and combat inequality. For instance, the high-ranking SDG 1.3 calls countries to "implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable." Currently, an estimated 73 per cent of the world's population lives without adequate social protection coverage. This means the ambitious objective set out by the 2030 Agenda will require concerted efforts from across the spectrum of UN and national actors, joining up disparate interventions and leveraging new tools to achieve the 2030 target.

Where ONLINE

When 04 Jun - 06 Jul 2018

Fee 500 USD

Duration 5 weeks

Enrollment deadline 09 Jun 2018

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Language English

Objectives

By the end of this online course, participants will be able to:

- Explain the meaning and benefits of social protection and its role in the Sustainable Development Agenda;
- Identify key examples of global trends and good practices from countries in extending social protection;
- Identify practical tools to implement social protection at the country level.

Course Contents

The course comprises 5 modules over 5 weeks.

- Week 1: Basics of social protection;
- Week 2: Social protection and the 2030 Agenda;
- Week 3: Global trends and good practices in extending social protection;
- Week 4: Designing and implementing social protection systems;
- Week 5: Tools at our fingertips.

Course Methodology

This tutored online course combines self-paced modules, asynchronous activities as well as live webinars with renowned experts of social protection and sustainable development. Real-life case studies and interactive group discussions will also be used to prompt participants' reflection and application of knowledge.

Target Audience

Participants coming from various backgrounds such as the UN, other development agencies, bilateral donors, government officials, worker and employer organisations, members of civil society and academia.

Cost of participation

The course fee covers the following:

- Unlimited access to course materials (video and key readings), recording of webinars and speakers' presentations;
- Participation in live webinars with renowned subject matter experts on sustainable development;
- Exclusive access to UNSSC online social learning environment with training and supporting background materials, and the opportunity to stay connected with colleagues.

Certificates of Participation will be awarded to participants subject to the completion of all modules and quizzes, successful submission of exercises and assignments, and full participation in all live online sessions and discussion forums for each topic covered in the course.