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LATEST PUBLICATIONS - PUBLICATIONS LES PLUS RÉCENTES - ÚLTIMAS PUBLICACIONES

An update on the youth labour market impact of the COVID-19 crisis

This statistical brief provides an update on the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on youth in terms of employment, unemployment, NEET and inactivity trends, highlighting the differences between youth and adults, along with gender disparities. The brief also underscores the need for an integrated and multi-dimensional employment policy, which is based on



continuing broader support to the economy and labour market, along with specific measures targeting the most vulnerable youth.



Public Employment Services pressing ahead with digitalization should be aware of the digital divide

The digitalization of Public Employment Services (PES) has accelerated in response to the COVID-19 crisis. To ensure they remain inclusive, PES should be aware of the barriers limiting access to clients with low digital literacy and pinpoint solutions for making services easy to access, safe and as intuitive as possible



Global framework on core skills for life and work in the 21st century

The new ILO global framework reflects the ongoing transformations and the emerging opportunities in the world of work and proposes nineteen core skills to strengthen people's capacities.



Internships, employability and the search for Decent Work experience

This ground-breaking book featuring contributions from established and emerging scholars examines the growing phenomenon of internships, and the policy issues that they raise, during a time when internships or traineeships have become an important way of transitioning from education into paid work and how various countries are meeting the challenge of ensuring decent work for interns.

How to choose my future profession? A step-by-step guide for job seekers

This "step-by-step" guide presents in a simple and practical way, the stages of the reflection to be carried out to make a choice of profession. Intended for autonomous job seekers, this guide is part of the "toolbox" for young people and those who support



them, in particular in the Public Employment Services around the world. Also available in [French](#) and [Spanish](#).



Digitally empowering young people in refugee and host communities: What is possible? - A mapping study in Kenya

The mapping study conducted by the ILO aims to inform practitioners in the field, including programme staff and development partners, in the design and implementation of activities. The study seeks to identify good practices, capture lessons learned and take note of potential areas of innovation by employers, training and young people with a view to enhancing decent work in the digital economy in Kenya.



Skilling, upskilling and reskilling of employees, apprentices and interns during the COVID-19 pandemic: Findings from a global survey of enterprises

The COVID-19 pandemic has seriously disrupted the skilling, upskilling and reskilling of employees, apprentices and interns in all types of enterprises and organizations around the world. To assess the impact of the pandemic, ten development partners together undertook a global online survey of enterprises from 27 April to 5 June 2020.



Investing in career guidance (IAG Guidance Booklet)

This leaflet, authored by six international agencies, reflects on the crucial role of career guidance in supporting youth and adults in skilling, reskilling and securing successful careers and livelihoods during economic recovery.

Developing national career development support systems: Pathways to enhance lifelong career



guidance, career education and career development support for workers

This joint report by the ILO and the European Training Foundation (ETF) presents an analysis of how to develop career development support systems, including career guidance, education and development support for workers.



Infographic: Competency-Based Training (CBT): An Introductory manual for practitioners

The competency-based training (CBT) approach to TVET is highly effective to ensure that training programmes remain relevant to the labour market.



Publicación (en preparación): Procedimientos operativos estandarizados de la OIT para responder a las crisis

La unidad CSPR ha facilitado el desarrollo de estos procedimientos operativos estandarizados (POE) para responder a las crisis en colaboración con colegas de la Sede y en los lugares de destino en el terreno para orientar a las oficinas de país con relación a la respuesta a las crisis causadas por conflictos y desastres.

OTHER COVID-19 RELATED GUIDANCE AND TECHNICAL NOTES AND RESOURCES - AUTRES NOTES D'INFORMATIONS ET TECHNIQUES ET RESSOURCES LIÉES AU COVID-19 - OTRAS NOTAS INFORMATIVAS Y TÉCNICAS Y RECURSOS RELACIONADOS CON EL COVID-19



Other COVID-related resources

- [COVID-19 and employment policies: Resources and tools](#)
- [Development and investment for a sustainable response to COVID-19](#)
- [ILO SKILLS response to COVID-19](#)
- [Employment, Labour Markets and Youth: Responses to COVID-19](#)
- [Country assessments using Rapid diagnostics for assessing the country level impact of COVID-19 on the economy and](#)

[labour market - guidelines](#)

- [The socio-economic impact of COVID-19 in fragile settings: Peace and social cohesion at risk](#)
- [EIIP's response to COVID-19](#)

PARTNERSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION - ASOCIACIONES Y COOPERACIÓN PARA EL DESARROLLO - PARTENARIATS ET COOPÉRATION POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT

- **EU-ILO “Building partnerships on the Future of Work” project**
This project funded by the European Union (EU) aims to contribute to shaping the future world of work in compliance with the [ILO Centenary Declaration on the Future of Work](#), taking into account the interest of EU citizens, societies and economies. It does so by promoting a global approach to the changing world of work, by protecting citizens and by finding workable and sustainable solutions to key challenges related to the changing nature of work. Learn more [here](#).
 - Online workshop held from 15-16 June: [Practices towards algorithmic management and --their impact on workers](#)
 - Fact sheet: [The effects of automation in the apparel and automotive sectors and their gender dimensions](#)
- **ERA Agro-Forestry Project newsletter (June update)**
The ERA-AF project in Timor-Leste is funded by the European Union (EU) and being implemented by the ILO as a component of the Partnership Support for Agro-Forestry (PSAF) Ai ba Futuru. [The June newsletter HAMETIN](#) provides further information.

UPCOMING EVENTS - EVÈNEMENTS À VENIR - FUTUROS EVENTOS

27 September - 5
November

[ITC-ILO Training course: Designing Public Employment Programmes for a Sustainable Recovery](#)

This online course will discuss policy and design features of Public Employment Programmes (PEPs) that take into account these challenges and will share current experiences on how these programmes have been used to respond to the current crises. This will include experiences from both high-, middle- and low-income countries and will provide tools for enabling effective programme design, to achieve the multiple objectives.

27 October. 10:00-

[Career development support at the heart of lifelong](#)

11:30 CEST

[learning systems](#)

This policy dialogue jointly organized by the ETF and ILO covers key topics addressed in their recently issued joint publication [Developing national career development support systems](#). For more information and to register, visit the [event page](#).

RECENT EVENTS - EVÈNEMENTS LES PLUS RÉCENTS - ÚLTIMOS EVENTOS

21 June - 30 July	ITC-ILO e-course: Jobs measurement and employment impact assessment
19 - 23 July	The Youth 20 (Y20) Summit
15 July	World Youth Skills Day 2021
6 - 9 July	7th Regulating for Decent Work Conference (available only in Chrome)
28 June	Impact of COVID-19 on Skilling, Upskilling and Reskilling in Enterprises
25 June	Green entrepreneurship and decent jobs for youth in Mongolia
21 - 25 June	Building lifelong learning systems: skills for green and inclusive societies in the digital era
16 June	Promoting learning and skilling through social entrepreneurship and innovation
28 May	Taking stock of the COVID-19 crisis: the impact on the labour market and how countries have responded

NEWS - NOUVELLES - NOTICIAS

- BBC: [COVID: What do we know about global youth unemployment?](#)
- Yahoo News: [Women's Entrepreneurship Accelerator Joined Generation Equality Forum for Gender-Responsive Procurement Panel & Commits to Action Coalitions](#)
- [International bodies and practitioners support lifelong learning as a key response to the crisis](#)
- [World Youth Skills Day 2021: Reimagining Youth Skills Post-Pandemic](#)
- [ILO launched a call for ideas and solutions to support e-formality through skills development in Latin America](#)

- [ILO launched a call for preventing forced labour in Africa through skills and lifelong learning](#)
- [ILO and Lebanon pledge to cooperate on improving rural livelihoods](#)
- [AFD and ITCILO start new project for youth employment](#)

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- Podcast: [Lost in COVID-19 limbo-land: Pandemic hits youth employment hard](#)
- Podcast: [Breaking out of the informal economy: Does new technology hold the key?](#)
- InfoStory: [Peace and Resilience through Decent Work, in Russian](#)
- Video: [ILO employment-intensive interventions promote Decent Work in Iraq](#)
- Video: [The skills young job seekers need](#)
- Video: [Recording of the World Youth Skills Day event](#)
- Video: [Key results: Applying the G20 Training Strategy: A Partnership of the ILO and the Russian Federation \(Phase 2\)](#)
- Video: [Safe work, decent work for all – the ILO Water and Sanitation project in the Philippines](#) (from the 2021 International Labour Conference Daily Show, watch video at 26:00)

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