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Green Jobs Assessment Institutions Network (GAIN)

Founding Statute

Rationale

Countries across the globe are in search of policies and strategies which advance and reconcile multiple social, economic and environmental goals. In designing such policies employment and labour market outcomes play a central role.

Countries are particularly interested in knowing about the direct, indirect or induced, the gross and net effect on jobs. What options are available to maximize job gains and minimize losses? How to ensure more gender and income equality and provide social protection for those losing their jobs?

In most cases, such information cannot be made available in the absence of empirical assessments and economic models.

To support countries in research, analysis and evidence-based policy making and national development planning, the International Labour Office (ILO) initiated a global network of research institutions named Green Jobs Assessment Institutions Network (GAIN) in 2013.

Founding research institutions share the believe that Input Output and Social Accounting Matrix based models – rooted in the System of National Accounts and System of Environmental and Economic Accounts - are the underpinning of nationally owned economic modelling and sustainable development planning.

Objective

The GAIN network pursues two mutually supportive objectives:

1. To develop a standardized, open source methodology and training package for the analysis and modelling of social and employment outcomes of climate and sustainable development policies:
 - A standard methodology and training 'Guidebook' is produced by GAIN members and partner institutions. The training guidebook is made publically available.
2. To build and strengthen the capacity of national government and research institutions in the development, construction and use of economic models to measure and model social and employment outcomes of national development policies:
 - National government and research institutions are capacitated and supported to build and use employment models for national

development planning.

- Regional 'Training-hubs' are established and learning institutionalized.

Strategy

To achieve the two objectives the following strategy is set out:

- to constantly update, refine and further develop the 'GAIN Training Guidebook' which was launched at the GAIN 3rd international conference in December 2017.
- to further institutionalize capacity building through regional training hubs in Asia, Africa, Arab States, Europe and Latin America that serve as delivery platforms.
- to actively support countries in their effort to develop, build and use national models to assess social and employment outcomes of policies.
- to actively support countries in policy formulation and national development planning.
- to actively support international and regional processes and organizations in the field of climate action and sustainable development.
- to hold bi-annual GAIN conferences which bring together researchers and policy makers.
- to hold bi-annual call for papers, share best practice policies and contribute to global dialogue on a just transition to environmental sustainability .
- to hold webinars on a regular basis with a combination of methodological and policy oriented learning.
- to provide for an online platform and GAIN website for knowledge sharing and dissemination.

Statue and membership

GAIN is established as a network entity with no formal legal statue. It is hosted by the ILO which functions as its interim secretariat. The global network is open to three type of members:

1. public and private research institutions which are members in their institutional capacity;
2. individual researchers who are members in their individual capacity; or
3. international and regional organizations and UN entities.

The 'GAIN Engagement Letter' in the Annex defines modalities by which requesting members subscribe to the above objectives and join the GAIN Network. Members will be listed on the GAIN website.

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