



# DECENT WORK

from fragility to resilience



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## Promotion of youth employment in fragile settings

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## Background

Since its foundation in 1919, the ILO has been promoting social justice and peace. The ILO supports countries hit by conflict and disaster through a variety of policies and approaches, and over several decades has gained practical experience and gathered many lessons and good practices from various interventions in situations of fragility, conflict and disaster. The ILO supports constituents and labour market actors to prevent, mitigate or recover from the impact of adverse shocks on employment and decent work.

According to the World Bank, two billion people live in countries affected by fragility, conflict, and violence - a large proportion of them young people. Countries or areas within countries experiencing fragility, conflict and disasters often lag behind in the achievement of internationally established development goals despite considerable efforts by national and international actors. As a result, poverty is increasingly concentrated in fragile settings with weak societal and state capacity to absorb the exogenous and endogenous shocks. By 2030, the share of global poor living in fragile and conflict-affected situations is projected to reach 46%, up from 17% today. Conflicts drive 80% of all humanitarian needs. 95% of refugees and internally-displaced live in developing countries, originating from the same 10 conflicts since 1991.

Fragility occurs across a range of income groups and different levels of economic development. Of the 56 fragile contexts, 27 are low income, 25 are lower middle income, and 4 (Angola, Venezuela, Iraq and Libya) are upper middle income. Left unattended, fragility and its negative consequences can destabilize entire regions and have global repercussions, in developed and developing countries alike.

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development identifies the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies and decent work and growth as key priorities. Leaving no one behind – a key aspiration of the Agenda – requires special attention to fragile and conflict-affected countries. At the same time, recent General Assembly and Security Council resolutions on the review of the United Nations peacebuilding architecture, adopted in April 2016, highlight the need for the entire United Nations system to work more closely together around the goal of sustaining peace.

Responding to these challenges, the International Labour Conference adopted in June 2017 a new standard, the **Recommendation No. 205 on “Employment and Decent work for peace and resilience” (R205)**. Recommendation No. 205 offers guidance to member states and the international community for taking measures to generate employment and decent work in crisis situations, and presents a phased multitrack approach to promoting peace, preventing crises, enabling recovery and building resilience. Its focus spans from reconstruction and recovery to prevention and preparedness, in line with the sustaining peace agenda of the Secretary General. R205 recognizes the specific situations of young persons and invites Member states to provide them with income-generation opportunities and stable employment.

## Learning process

The training builds on ILO's experience in the promotion and implementation of youth employment strategies and programmes in disaster and conflict situations. The course will illustrate the ILO's framework for promoting employment and decent work for peace and resilience, and will focus on specific policy areas and practical

tools for the promotion of youth employment in situations of disaster and conflict. Participants are also invited to envision how to apply what they have learned in their own professional contexts.

## Target audience

The course is designed for policy makers and development practitioners working in contexts of disaster and affected by fragility with an interest in policies and strategies to promote youth employment and the creation of decent jobs for youth.

## Objectives

This training provides participants with a range of notions, methods and tools to promote youth employment in situations of conflict and disaster. By attending the course, participants will have:

- Gained a better understanding of labour market challenges in countries affected by fragility, conflicts and disasters
- Been exposed to the ILO's normative and operational response including the recently endorsed Recommendation No. 205 on “Employment and decent work for peace and resilience”, Guiding principles on the access of refugees and other forcibly displaced persons to the labour market and the Flagship Programme on “Jobs for peace and resilience”
- Been exposed to effective strategies to promote youth employment programmes for peace and resilience building, through real life examples and stories from the field
- Gained access to tools and methodologies to promote employment and decent work for youth in fragile, conflict and disaster situations

## Practical information

**Location:** New Delhi, India

**Duration:** 6 – 10 May 2019

**Language:** English

**Support team:** ILO and ITCILO officials

**Price:** The tuition fee for this course is **1400 euros**.

- Tuition fees cover programme development, administrative support, office supplies, training materials, and emergency medical insurance.
- Subsistence fees will be confirmed at the soonest and will cover bed & breakfast, lunch and two coffee breaks for each day of the course.

Travel between the participant's home and the course venue is not included.

Few fellowships are available

For information regarding payment, cancellation and refunds, please consult:

<http://www.itcilo.org/en/training-offer/how-to-apply>

**Registration deadline: 22 March 2019**

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## How to apply:

To register for this course, candidates are invited to:

- fill in and submit the on-line registration form available under this link: <https://oarf2.itcilo.org/STF/A9511984/en>
- send us a letter from their institution (or a donor organization) stating that it will cover the cost of the course and international travel.