ACADEMY ON YOUTH EMPLOYMENT
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Information Note
OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 crisis has exacerbated the numerous labour market challenges generally faced by young people through job and income loss, greater barriers in the transition to work, and disruptions in learning, education and training. In 2020, the number of youth not in employment, education, or training (NEET) reached a record high of 282 million, with youth unemployment levels grossly underestimating the labour market impact of the crisis (ILO, 2022). At global level, young people have experienced a slow employment recovery, lagging behind that of adults. Without targeted and urgent investments to boost productive employment and decent work, young people will be further affected by new, emerging crises making the prospect of achieving youth-related targets of the 2030 Agenda elusive.

The response to the crisis revealed various shortcomings in addressing the needs of young people, especially vulnerable ones. A youth-sensitive recovery will require ensuring that jobs for young people are created, investing to transform the economy, and adopting supportive labour market policies. All actors in the world of work, from employers’ and workers’ organizations to policymakers and labour administrations, have a shared obligation to reduce the proportion of young people who are at risk of being permanently left behind, to expand job and income opportunities for them, and to support their rights at work, which should be done in consultation with the concerned cohort. The development and implementation of youth-sensitive policies and programmes through youth-inclusive social dialogue is a priority of the ILO and its constituents.

The Academy on Youth Employment is part of a larger ILO response to a strong demand from its constituents to promote a better future of work and social justice for young people. Jointly organised by the ILO’s Employment Policy Department and the International Training Centre, the Academy delivers a comprehensive training package that integrates the core knowledge and skills for design and implementation of strategies and programmes aimed at tackling the multi-faceted dimensions of the youth employment challenge. This year’s edition of the Academy will provide a unique opportunity for a face-to-face exchange of knowledge and experiences with employment practitioners from across the globe.

The Academy mainstreams gender equality and the meaningful engagement of young people, encouraging equal participation across genders and ages.

LEARN MORE ON THE ILO WORK ON YOUTH EMPLOYMENT:

Don’t miss out on building a brighter future for the Youth: Join the Global Initiative on Decent Jobs for Youth Today!

Connect, Collaborate, and Innovate: Join Our Community on Youth Employment Now!
OBJECTIVE OF THE ACADEMY

By combining insights from ILO experts, policymakers and practitioners, fostering debates, and sharing multi-country and multi-sectoral experiences, the Academy seeks to strengthen participants’ knowledge and skills to identify and co-create innovative solutions for the promotion of decent jobs for youth. More specifically, the Academy aims to:

- Foster better understanding of tools to diagnose the employment challenges faced by young people;
- Identify viable entry points for mainstreaming youth employment into gender-responsive employment policies and development frameworks;
- Provide guidelines for the design and implementation of youth employment programmes;
- Identify avenues to boost the participation of youth in social dialogue and tripartism as well as their voice, agency and representation;
- Enhance knowledge on what works for youth employment in different contexts, spanning a range of demand-side and supply-side measures.

WHAT TOPICS WILL YOU LEARN ABOUT?

Through plenary sessions and elective thematic tracks, the Academy will cover a wide range of topics, including:

1. The youth employment challenge in a context of multiple crises
2. Youth, social dialogue and tripartism
3. Accelerating job creation for young people in wage and self-employment, through gender-responsive employment policies
4. Youth employment opportunities in the digital, green and care economies
5. Fostering systemic change across labour market institutions and supporting the transition of young people to decent work
6. Youth employability, entrepreneurship and lifelong learning
7. Extending social protection for youth
8. Promoting the rights of young people

The plenary sessions will engage participants in discussing youth employment trends, current challenges, future of work issues and their policy implications. Keynote interventions will be followed by group exercises and marketplaces allowing country delegations and individual participants to share their experiences and good practice. All learning materials will be available in the online learning platform.

The Academy offers a modular approach to individual learning through elective thematic tracks. Participants will have the possibility to choose specific tracks among those on offer. Learning materials of all electives will be available in the learning platform so every participant will also have the opportunity to access the learning materials of the electives that she/he did not select.
WHO PARTICIPATES?

The Academy is designed for:

- Government officials from Ministries of Labour and other line ministries, including Ministries of Youth, Finance, and Planning;
- Representatives of workers’ and employers’ organizations;
- Youth active in policy development and implementation, social dialogue and generally the promotion of decent jobs for youth;
- Staff of agencies responsible for labour market intermediation and skills development;
- Staff from international and regional organizations as well as donor agencies and academic institutions working on youth employment issues; and ILO staff.

The participation of full tripartite country delegations comprised by government, workers and employers representatives, is encouraged.

METHODOLOGY

The Academy is learner-centred and participatory. It will be facilitated by a pool of ILO experts, ITCILO officials and other subject experts. Different learning techniques will be applied in order to facilitate collaborative building of knowledge and experience sharing. Time will be dedicated to the presentation of national experiences and group work. The Academy will also offer technology-enhanced activities and a learning platform hosted at the ITCILO eCampus.

WORKING LANGUAGES

The Academy will be delivered in English and French, with interpretation services throughout the span of the programme. Learning materials will be available in both languages. Participants will discuss and present the results of group activities in their preferred language.

HOW TO APPLY

Find the application form at https://oarf2.itcilo.org/CST/A9016044/en and apply before 28 April 2023.

COST OF PARTICIPATION

**Tuition:** 2,490 Euros  
**Subsistence:** 1,400 Euros  
**Total:** 3,890 Euros

The ITCILO has a limited number of fellowships that may cover part of the subsistence and tuition fees. Please note that these fellowships do not include the international travel. If eligible, early candidates will be given priority.
WITHDRAWAL, CANCELLATION POLICY, AND REFUNDS FOR OPEN COURSES

If an enrolled participant wishes or must withdraw from a course, they may choose to apply to a different course or be substituted by another candidate. The participant must notify the Centre, in writing, of their decision at least 14 days prior to the start date of the course. Cancellation of participation in regular courses will result in the following penalties:

- 14 days or more prior to the start date of the course: No penalty, 100% refund of amount paid less applicable bank charges
- 8 to 13 days prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 50% of course price, refund of residual amount paid (if any) less applicable bank charges
- 7 days or less prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 100% of course price.

INFO

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