

ONLINE

DECENT WORK

# FINANCING DECENT WORK

12 –30 OCTOBER 2020

 3 WEEKS, 6 HRS/WEEK

*Information Note*



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# INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE

To achieve the SDGs, the financing for the goals must be scaled up. Along the lines set out in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of 2015, UN agencies are making efforts to increase financing for development, including both domestic and international resources for development and both public and private sources. Increasingly new mechanisms such as impact investments, crowd-funding and social impact bonds are developed, with the related impact and associated risks on the development outcomes in the Global South.

As an integral part of the SDGs, financing for Decent Work outcomes must be similarly scaled-up. The challenges related to the absence of sufficient employment opportunities, inadequate social protection, the denial of rights at work and shortcomings in social dialogue remains daunting. The required policy changes are of major importance and the financing gap remains huge. The application changing mechanisms to finance Decent Work gains more importance, in particular in view of the upcoming economic fallout and the need to diversify financing sources and solutions.

## GOAL

The Financing Decent Work facilitated online training course is introduced as a means to build capacity of government agencies, workers' and employers' organizations, as well as a wider group of development partners and practitioners collaborating on achieving Decent Work.

The overall goal of the training is to equip participants with knowledge and skills required to engage in national consultations on SDG finance and ensure that adequate financial resources are channeled towards Decent Work outcomes.

## SOUTH-SOUTH LEARNING APPROACH

The training course follows a South-South learning approach with participants sharing, learning and exploring solutions together. Participants with a South-South scholarship will be requested to provide inputs on successful policies and practices in their respective countries (short article, video or presentation), thereby supporting knowledge sharing and the creation of a network of practitioners. Good practices will be uploaded on the South-South Meeting Point ([www.southsouthpoint.net](http://www.southsouthpoint.net)).

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course participants will:

- Have increased knowledge and understanding of national SDG financing strategies and how Decent Work priorities can be incorporated and mainstreamed;

- Have explored national SDG financing mechanisms that seek to combine domestic and international, public and private sources of financing, including – by the Global South;
- Have identified Decent Work financing strategies and mechanisms that can be applied at country level;
- Be prepared to participate in or initiate national consultations on channeling SDG finance towards Decent Work outcomes.

## TARGET AUDIENCE

- Workers', employers' and government representatives
- ILO staff
- Other stakeholders in the Decent Work and development finance spaces

## COURSE STRUCTURE

**Prior to the course** participants will be requested to formulate their main learning goals and take a pre-course assessment.

**During the course**, each of the three learning modules of the course has a fixed structure and includes the following components:

1. Live webinars, with the group and course facilitators. The live webinars provide you with the content required for critical analysis of the subject.
2. Self-guided learning modules on the different sub-themes.
3. Activities and case studies for individual work or group work
4. A list of essential readings for each module
5. South-South forum discussions, self-facilitated or facilitated by the trainers and tutors.

**On the final day of the course** final action planning, post-course assessment and evaluation of the programme will be conducted.

**Certification:** Upon completion of the course, participants receive a certificate of attendance.

## COURSE DELIVERY TEAM

The course will be designed and delivered by a team of ILO and ITC ILO trainers and experts. Experts from other UN agencies will be invited for collaboration and discussions via webinars.

## COURSE DATES AND DURATION

The course will be delivered over a period of 3 weeks from 12 to 30 October and will require 5 - 7 hours of effort from participants per week.

# LANGUAGE

The first edition of the course will be offered in English.

## COURSE CONTENT

### **Module 1 Financing Decent work: Current development and need for financing**

- Unit 1.1 Current state of Financing for Development and Decent Work, key concepts and definitions
- Unit 1.2 Global dialogue and initiatives at the UN and overview of the ILO's engagement
- Unit 1.3 The changing landscape of financing mechanisms
- Unit 1.4 How does use of financing mechanisms lead to positive impacts on Decent work?
- Unit 1.5 ILO experiences in financing Decent Work
- Unit 1.6 Opportunities and risks for Decent Work

### **Module 2 Key mechanisms explored**

- Unit 2.1 Overview and analysis of selected mechanisms
- Unit 2.2 Case-studies on selected mechanisms
- Unit 2.3 Applying a South-South and Triangular Cooperation approach
- Unit 2.4 Implications for national programmes and interventions

### **Module 3 Embedding concerns for Decent Work into design and implementation mechanisms**

- Unit 3.1 The role of ILO constituents in the changing financing landscape
- Unit 3.2 Diversity of stakeholders and incentives
- Unit 3.3 Engaging in national consultations on use of innovative finance mechanisms
- Unit 3.4 Programme and project design issues
- Unit 3.5 The way forward and action planning

### **Module Cross-cutting module on South-South and Triangular cooperation**

The module introduces SSTC as a tool to achieve the Agenda 2030, and in particular for financing Decent Work. The SSTC at the ILO, SSTC step-by-step guidance and its various mechanisms of financing will be explored.

### **Final recap and closure**

## COSTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The cost of participation is 700 Euros. A limited number of full South-South scholarships is available for ILO constituents. Priority will be given to tripartite delegations of countries with a proven interest in the topic, for instance through active participation in the Joint SDG Fund.

## 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

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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