**ACADEMY**   **ONLINE**   **LABOUR MARKET**

# 2021 LABOUR MARKET STATISTICS AND ANALYSIS E-LEARNING ACADEMY

Understanding the fundamentals of labour market statistics focusing on the recent global statistical developments and the outcomes of the latest International Conferences of Labour Statisticians

**8 NOVEMBER – 17 DECEMBER 2021**
🕐 **6 WEEKS, 60 HOURS**

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# OVERVIEW

**Developing strong statistical systems** for producing, collecting and disseminating reliable, comprehensive and timely labour market information **remains** critical for evidence-based policy making which promotes "full and productive employment and decent work for all". The demand for quality statistical data is particularly urgent in countries where existing systems do not allow for regular production of timely, reliable and relevant work and labour market statistics.

Moreover, rapid changes in the world of work, accelerated by the Covid-19 pandemic, have added pressure on existing statistical systems to innovate and produce new and better indicators to measure emerging labour market realities. The innovative statistical standards set by the **19th and 20th ICLSs on work statistics and statistics on work relationships** are crucial for the overarching goal of achieving decent work for all. Their relevance for the efficient monitoring of labor markets during normal times and crises has been proven in many countries across the world already. Knowledge and experience accumulated since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic has been particularly useful in this regard.

The resolutions and guidelines adopted by the 20th ICLS on topics such as labour migration, the measurement of compliance with labour rights, the measurement of the existence of an employment strategy for youth and forced labour statistics will greatly contribute to **monitoring progress towards the achievement of the SDG**, as they are closely related to several SDG indicators.

With these recent developments in mind, the ILO Department of Statistics and the International Training Centre of the ILO (ITCILO) are proud to offer the **2021 Labour Statistics and Analysis e-Learning Academy** for data producers and users. The online Academy offers a great opportunity to reflect on the ongoing challenges facing statistical systems globally and to learn about the latest most up-to-date international statistical standards that are crucial for decent work promotion, post-pandemic recovery and pro-employment macro-economic growth.

The **Academy mainstreams gender equality** throughout the content and emphasizes the equal participation of women and men.

# CONTENT

The academy will be organized under two main Learning Paths that provide integrated yet differentiated learning contents. Each Learning Path has a unique objective with contents that cater to specific audiences:
- **Learning-Path 1 – STATA for data users and labour market analysts:** Targeting officials involved in (or likely to be involved in) SDG indicators monitoring and reporting at the local, national or international level, and labour market and

development analysts. It aims to develop/enhance knowledge on the production of several decent work indicators, especially indicators included in the SDG global indicator framework. This Learning Path will focus on data preparation, micro data management, and the use of statistical software in alignment with international standards, and ensuring data and metadata quality. The software used in this Learning-Path is STATA, thus, basic skills of STATA are desired.

- **Learning-Path 2 – Producers of labour statistics:** Targeting practitioners of labour statistics, both managers and technical staff from national statistical offices, ministries of labour and related institutions (like labour observatories). It focuses on the main elements of designing and implementing labour force surveys or similar household surveys as a key source of labour indicators. It will pay attention to ensuring coherence with ICLS standards on key work and labour market topics, many closely related to SDG indicators. It will emphasize on survey planning and operations, concepts and methods, questionnaire and sample design, data processing and metadata management, as well as reporting and dissemination.

The Academy will contain several plenary sessions where key concepts and best practices relevant to both learning paths will be discussed. In addition, the academy will offer sessions dedicated to each of the Learning Paths allowing a differentiated learning opportunity for participants.

# WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The main objective of the Academy is to better equip and situate national and international stakeholders in the new SDG statistical monitoring system. The Academy is designed to enhance institutional capacities to identify, collect, analyze and disseminate labour market information and other indicators related to decent work. Moreover, the academy will emphasize the latest ICLSs resolution on statistics of work relationships as an important pillar to measure progress towards the 2030 agenda, particularly Goal 8 on promoting inclusive and sustainable growth, employment and decent work for all. Furthermore, the academy will aim to highlight the COVID-19 response experience, which could support the modernization of labour market data collection systems around the world in an effort to try to identify solutions that would enable data producers to continue doing their work in line with international statistical standards and best practices during times of crises.

## MORE SPECIFICALLY, THE ACADEMY AIMS TO:

- Foster better understanding and operationalization of key international statistical standards including the **20th ICLS resolution on statistics on work relationships** and the **19th ICLS resolution on work statistics**;
- Expand knowledge on the measurement of decent work in the **SDG Global Indicator Framework**;

- Promote **sound statistical data processing and analysis** of indicators by demonstrating good practices in labour market information systems and SDG monitoring strategies;
- Review the **main data production challenges** faced during the pandemic and solutions identified;
- Explain the **relevance of the ICLS standards to monitor the COVID-19 impacts**;
- Highlight the importance of **modernizing labour market data collection systems** as to make them more resilient
- Promote **gender mainstreaming in the production of labour statistics** and in the definition of the relevant SDG indicators;

# WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

The academy is constructed as follows:

## PLENARY SESSIONS

- To share knowledge that is relevant across learning paths

## SESSIONS SPECIFIC TO EACH LEARNING PATH

- To allow more intensive learning on key topics within a learning path

The academy's learning approach is structured around three main pillars:

## METHODOLOGY

- Interactive
- Hands-on, wherever possible

## STRUCTURED TO COMBINE

- Expert presentations
- Group discussions and exercises
- Group work

## HARNESSING DIGITAL LEARNING TECHNOLOGY

- E-campus Learning Platform
- Intearactive exercises
- Pedagogical applications

# WHO?

The target audience for the Academy includes:
- Labour Statisticians from national statistical offices; Ministries of labour and related institutions (such as labour observatories); Other Ministries or Government institutions in charge of SDG statistical monitoring, and ILO Social Partners;
- Employment and development policy analysts from National Statistical Offices, Research and Academic institutions, International organizations and Donor organizations; and
- Officials responsible for managing the production and dissemination of labour market statistics, particularly for the SDG national reporting.

# HOW TO APPLY?

Early application is strongly recommended since admission is competitive and space is limited!

Interested candidates should register on-line through this link: https://oarf2.itcilo.org/DST/A9713848/en

Selection will be based on the following criteria:
- Proven work experience in relevant field (e.g., data collection, processing, analyzing and interpretation; statistical reporting; labour force survey design);
- Submission of a letter of sponsorship to cover the course cost;
- Submission of a cover letter explaining how the course will help the participant enhance their professional skills and how they will use these skills in their respective organizations.

Kindly note that we need to receive the above-mentioned three documents in order to register you for the Academy; the application form alone is not enough.

We highly encourage the participation of women and persons with disability.

The deadline for applications is **25 October 2021**!

# PRICE

The Academy is fee-paying. **The total cost is Euro 1,060**.

A limited number of fellowships will be available. Fellowships will be allocated on a case-by-case basis. Priority in scholarship allocation will be given to candidates who strongly fulfil the selection criteria above-mentioned.

## 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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