

ONLINE

INFORMAL ECONOMY

GLOBAL ONLINE FORUM ON IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 CRISIS ON THE INFORMAL ECONOMY

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9 NOVEMBER – 12 DECEMBER 2020 **D 5 WEEKS, 40 HRS





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OVERVIEW

SNAPSHOT OF THE COURSE

ILO has noted that the social and economic consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic have not fallen with equal severity on all shoulders. Many of those with more limited means and protection, such as workers in informal employment or in diverse work arrangements, have been the least able to face both the health and economic consequences of the crisis. Similarly, the impact of the crisis on economic units has been different according to their size, economic sector and if they operate in the formal or the informal economy. As the pandemic is causing massive damage to the informal economy, being young and female working in this vulnerable sector is even more worrisome. This online forum (40 hours over 5 weeks) provides insights into the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on the informal economy. It provides an opportunity to share experiences and identify practical advice – at the thematic and policy level – to deal with the situation and to prepare for an inclusive and sustainable recovery.











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WHO ATTENDS THIS COURSE?

- Policy makers at various levels from key public institutions including ministries (labour, finance, planning, social affairs, statistics...)
- Representatives from workers' and employers' organizations
- Experts and technical staff from development banks, international organizations and donor agencies
- Experts and technical staff from CSOs, NGOs and other civil society actors, working in the field of transition to formality
- Researchers
- Development practitioners.

OBJECTIVES

By the end of the online forum, participants will have:

- strengthened their technical knowledge on the impact of the pandemic on workers and economic units in the informal economy.
- strengthened their understanding of how governments, social partners and other stakeholders from various economies in the Global South are taking innovative measures to mitigate the social and economic impact of the crisis, notably on the most vulnerable groups
- shared experiences on what steps countries can take to manage and overcome the impact of COVID-19, prevent further informalization and advance on facilitating the transition from the informal to the formal economy.

FORMAT AND METHODOLOGY

This innovative e-learning forum spread over 40 learning hours over 5 weeks (9 November - 12 December 2020) has been designed with a learner-centred approach in order to better involve participants and keep them motivated. It is highly interactive and engaging, using different methods throughout the five modules to make the content interesting, relevant and entertaining. Each module envisages to have a webinar with a panel of experts that will be involved in sharing their experience and creating space for discussions among participants from different countries.

LANGUAGES

Participants will be required to have a good knowledge of written English as training materials will be available on the e-platform in English.

APPLICATION AND FEES

If you wish to participate in this course, please fill in the **online application** available here: https://oarf2.itcilo.org/CST/A9713941/en

The application should be accompanied by a letter from the sponsoring organization OR a personal letter committing to cover participation cost (750 Euros).

These two documents should reach us by 24 October 2020.

PRICE

Tuition: €750

HIGH-LEVEL RESOURCES

Learn from ILO specialists, ITCILO trainers, and external lecturers

FLEXIBLE TRAINING

This fully online course fits into your busy schedule



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