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LABOUR MARKET

# 2022 LABOUR MARKET STATISTICS AND ANALYSIS E-LEARNING ACADEMY: ROAD TO THE 21<sup>ST</sup> ICLS

UNDERSTAND THE FUNDAMENTALS OF LABOUR MARKET STATISTICS WITH A FOCUS ON RECENT GLOBAL STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENTS AND STANDARDS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LABOUR STATISTICIANS (ICLS)

# Information Note





#### **OVERVIEW**

**Strong statistical systems** that collect, produce, and disseminate high quality labour market information *remain* critical for evidence-based policies that promote "full and productive employment and decent work for all". The demand for statistical data is high and always evolving. It is particularly urgent in countries where existing systems do not allow for regular production of timely, reliable and relevant work and labour market statistics.

The innovative statistical standards set by the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> ICLSs on work statistics and statistics on work relationships are crucial for the overarching goal of achieving decent work. Implementing these standards will greatly contribute to monitoring progress towards the achievement of the SDGs. Their relevance for monitoring of labour markets during normal times and crises has already been proven in many countries across the world.

After almost **100** years of expertise in setting standards in labour statistics, the 21<sup>st</sup> ICLS, to be held in 2023, will address the new challenges posed during the last years. Changes in the world of work, and the disruption of the Covid-19 pandemic, have pressured statistical systems. They have had to innovate to produce new and better indicators to measure labour market realities and implement resilient methods of data collection.

With these recent developments in mind, and in view of the 21st ICLS taking place in 2023, the ILO Department of Statistics and the International Training Centre of the ILO (ITCILO) are proud to offer the 2022 Labour Statistics and Analysis e-Learning Academy for data producers and users. The Academy offers a valuable opportunity to reflect on the ongoing challenges facing statistical systems and to learn about the latest developments in 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 has two Learning Paths that provide integrated yet differentiated learning experiences. Each path has a unique objective with content that caters to specific audiences:

#### **Learning Path 1: STATA for data users and labour market analysts**

Targeting officials involved in (or likely to be involved in) monitoring and reporting on SDG indicators at local, national or international level, and at labour market and development analysts. This path aims to develop and enhance knowledge on the production of several decent work indicators, especially those included in the SDG global indicator framework and related to informality. It will focus on data preparation, micro data management, and the use of statistical software in alignment with international standards. 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). This path 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.

The Academy will use plenary sessions to discuss key concepts and best practices relevant to both Learning Paths. In addition, there will be sessions dedicated to each of the Learning Paths allowing a differentiated learning opportunity for participants.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The Academy is designed to enhance institutional capacities to produce and use labour market statistics and indicators related to decent work. It will ensure participants are familiar with the latest ICLS standards for measuring work, an important pillar to measure progress towards the 2030 agenda, particularly Goal 8 on promoting decent work for all. The academy will focus on standards that evolving and undergoing revision at the next ICLS. In particular, the statistical standards for measuring informality.

The Academy aims to:

- Highlight recent global statistical developments in preparation for the forthcoming 21<sup>st</sup> ICLS;
- Foster better understanding and operationalization of key international statistical standards including the 20<sup>th</sup> ICLS resolution on statistics on work relationships and the 19<sup>th</sup> 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 to make them more resilient
- Promote gender mainstreaming in the production and analysis of labour and work-related statistics.

#### 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
- Panel discussions and group work

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;
- 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: <a href="https://oarf2.itcilo.org/">https://oarf2.itcilo.org/</a>
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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 28th October 2022

#### **PRICE**

The Academy is fee-paying. The total cost is Total €1,210.

A limited number of partial 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.

#### PAYMENTS AND CANCELLATION

- Payments need to be received latest 14 days before the beginning of the course.
   Payment modalities will be communicated in the letter of acceptance. In the event of a cancellation, a participant may be substituted with another candidate.
   Cancellations remain free of charge if communicated latest 14 days prior to the start of the course.
- For cancellations after this date, a penalty will be applied. For further information regarding payment, cancellation and refunds, please consult: <a href="http://www.itcilo.org/en/training-offer/how-to-apply">http://www.itcilo.org/en/training-offer/how-to-apply</a>

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### 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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