

High-level panels to examine global jobs crisis, balanced growth and decent work

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The prolonged jobs crisis, despite some promising signs of growth, continues to defy global efforts by governments and businesses to generate employment and end the growing hardships people are suffering in their search for work.

In this context, the [100th International Labour Conference \(ILC\)](#), currently in session, has brought together some 4,000 delegates from government, employers' and workers' organizations from [183 Member States](#) to address the major social and economic challenges unfolding globally.



The Conference is hosting a series of high-level panel discussions involving former heads of state and government, senior policy makers, UN officials and civil society to explore the range of policy approaches and initiatives that have been enacted to tackle these challenges.

These interactive, moderated panels will take an in-depth look at a series of economic and social issues with a view to highlighting specific efforts to generate decent jobs, reduce barriers to youth employment, as well as create a fairer, more sustainable globalization.

The high-level panels include:

[Arab Youth: Aspiring for Social Justice \(9 June\)](#) – Leading journalists and activists will review recent developments in the region through the perspective of young people who made these changes happen by tackling the challenges of exclusion, poverty and inequality;

[Global Youth: Leading Change \(9 June\)](#) – Global youth leaders will explore key employment, social and political challenges faced by youth in different regions of the world and discuss practical programmes and efforts to address these issues;

[Employment and Social Justice in a Globalizing Economy \(13 June\)](#) – Ministers of Labour and Finance, and other senior policymakers will discuss measures needed to ensure that economic growth translates into decent work;

[UN Regional Commissions: “The role of decent work in a fairer, greener and more sustainable globalization” \(14 June\)](#) – The Heads of the United Nations Regional

Economic Commissions will discuss efforts to achieve “efficient” growth patterns that distribute benefits and opportunities in a balanced way and suggest needed changes in international and regional institutions to achieve greater policy coherence and improved governance around Decent Work;

[Club of Madrid: “The need for a new era of social justice” \(15 June\)](#) – Several former heads of state and government will discuss lessons learned from the recent crisis to strengthen recovery and to build the foundation for strong, sustainable and balanced growth.

Further resources

ILO Publications

- ILO. 2011. [Social protection floor for a fair globalization: Policy coherence and international coordination](#) (pdf 232 KB) (Geneva)
 - [Français](#) (pdf 317 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 240 KB)
- ILO. 2010. [Employment and social protection policies from crisis to recovery and beyond: a review of experience](#) (pdf 819 KB), an ILO report to the G20 Labour and Employment Ministers Meeting, Washington, DC, 20–21 April 2010 (Geneva).
- ILO. 2010. [Employment policies for social justice and a fair globalization](#) (pdf 1.55 MB), Report VI, International Labour Conference, 99th Session, Geneva, 2010 (Geneva).
- ILO. 2010. [Recovery and growth with decent work: Report of the Director-General](#) (pdf 750 KB), Report I(C), International Labour Conference, 99th Session, Geneva, 2010 (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 922 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 761 KB)
- ILO. 2009. [Building decent societies : rethinking the role of social security in development](#) (pdf 179 KB) (Basingstoke).
- ILO. 2009. [ILO Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization](#) (pdf 134.87 KB) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 1.59 MB) • [Español](#) (pdf 144.50 KB)
- ILO. 2009. [Recovering from the crisis : a global jobs pact](#) (pdf 93.22 KB) (Geneva)
 - [Français](#) (pdf 105.47 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 107.50 KB)
- ILO. 2009. [The financial and economic crisis : a Decent Work response](#) (pdf 603 KB) (Geneva)
 - [Français](#) (pdf 834 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 759 KB)
- ILO. 2009. [The International Labour Organization and the quest for social justice, 1919-2009](#) (pdf 62.57 KB) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 75.64 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 70.03 KB)
- ILO. 2008. [Social security for all : investing in social justice and economic development](#) (pdf 458.23 KB) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 566.78 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 527.17 KB)
- ILO. 2004. [A fair globalization : creating opportunities for all](#) (pdf 2 MB) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 2.25 MB) • [Español](#) (pdf 1.18 MB)

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- ILO. 2004. [*Organizing for social justice : global report under the follow-up to the ILO Declaration on fundamental principles and rights at work : report of the Director-General* \(pdf 454.96 KB\)](#) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 511.71 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 937.61 KB)
- ILO. 2001. [*Perspectives on decent work : statements by the ILO Director-General* \(pdf 1.15 MB\)](#) (Geneva).
- ILO. 2001. [*Reducing the decent work deficit : a global challenge* \(pdf 284.81 KB\)](#) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 341.23 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 340.26 KB)
- ILO. 1999. [*Decent work : report of the Director-General* \(pdf 1.95 MB\)](#) (Geneva).
 - [Français](#) (pdf 466.29 KB) • [Español](#) (pdf 2.18 MB)

ILO Videos

- [What Does Social Justice Mean to YOU?](#) - 
- [Juan Somavia, ILO Director General - Voices on Social Justice](#) - 
- [Michelle Bachelet, Head of UN Women - Voices on Social Justice](#) - 
- [Global Voices: How the Crisis Has Affected You](#) - 
- [Young Voices in Search of Decent Work](#) - 
- [Decent Work: A better world starts here](#) - 
- [Technical Cooperation: Working Together to Make Decent Work a Reality](#) - 

ILO Websites

- [100th Session of the International Labour Conference](#)
- [ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work](#)
- [Global Jobs Pact](#)
- [Decent Work](#)
- [ILO Global Job Crisis Observatory: Fair globalization](#)
- [ILO Global Job Crisis Observatory: Social dialogue](#)