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How to join the Global Partnership for Universal Social Protection to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (USP2030)

Background: In September 2016, the *Global Partnership for Universal Social Protection to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (USP2030)* was launched at the United Nations General Assembly in New York.

USP2030 partners: USP2030 currently brings together the World Bank and the ILO as co-chairs with the African Union, FAO, the European Commission, the Global Coalition for Social Protection Floors (GCSPF), HelpAge International, IDB, ITUC, OECD, Save the Children, UNDP-IPC, UNICEF, along with Belgian, Finnish, French and German cooperation, and others continuing to join as the partnership is constantly expanding.

A joint mission: A world where anyone who needs social protection can access it at any time. Universal social protection refers to a nationally defined system of policies and programmes that provide equitable access to all people and protect them throughout their lives against poverty and risks to their livelihoods and well-being. This protection can be provided through a range of mechanisms, including in cash or in-kind benefits, contributory or non-contributory schemes, and programmes to enhance human capital, productive assets, and access to jobs. This includes adequate benefits for all who need it, such as child benefits; benefits/support for people of working age in case of maternity, disability, work injury or for those without jobs; those in the non-formal sector and in rural areas, and pensions for all older persons.

Objectives: To increase the number of countries that provide universal social protection, supporting countries to design and implement universal and sustainable social protection systems, in line with the 2030 Agenda, and in particular target 1.3 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 1.3)¹ and the USP2030 Call to Action² that highlights the principles of protection throughout the life cycle, universal coverage, national ownership, sustainable and equitable financing, and participation and social dialogue. For this, USP2030 will launch a global campaign, engage in advocacy, knowledge development and joint support to countries, including for the strengthening of social protection policies, programs and integrated administration systems, expanding fiscal space for universal social protection, addressing bottlenecks and adequately integrating universal social protection into their national development strategies.

Governance structure: USP2030 is currently governed by an interim steering committee, composed of the two co-chairs (ILO, World Bank), two additional UN organisations (FAO, UNICEF), two high-income countries (Finland, Germany), two middle-income countries (Indonesia, Mexico), two low-income countries (seats not yet filled) and representatives from civil society and trade unions (Global Coalition for Social Protection Floors, ITUC). The interim steering committee, once complete, will jointly develop and propose a full governance framework of the partnership to be agreed upon by all USP2030 partners. USP2030 will engage with the relevant UN bodies to maximise impact on achieving the SDGs.

What are the benefits of engaging in USP2030? USP2030 welcomes new partners that fully support the objectives and vision of the partnership as stated above and contribute to its realization through global advocacy, knowledge exchange, country support and implementation. This includes, but is not limited to governments, international organisations and civil society organisations. By joining USP2030, countries and organisations can:

- join and draw upon a global network of key actors with cutting-edge expertise around universal social protection and SDG target 1.3 as needed;
- exchange country experiences in formulating and implementing social protection policies, and monitoring progress towards achieving universal social protection;
- engage in a global forum for knowledge building and sharing, bringing together all relevant stakeholders;

¹ SDG target 1.3: “Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable”.

² <https://www.usp2030.org/gimi/RessourcePDF.action?id=55464>

- bring country and constituency perspectives to bear in shaping the global social protection agenda and maintain a strong voice for country ownership, responsibility and participation.

USP2030 also welcomes close collaboration with related initiatives that focus on strengthening social protection systems.

How can my country/organisation join USP2030? To join USP2030 in the current interim set-up, the relevant ministry or head of your organisation should send a formal letter for the consideration of the interim steering committee (PDF to secretariat@usp2030.org), stating your interest in joining and your commitment to the objectives mentioned above. The secretariat will inform you in writing about your USP2030 membership. The secretariat is available to provide additional information to interested parties upon request.

How can my country take a seat in the steering committee? USP2030 encourages low-income countries that have already made significant progress in achieving universal social protection³ to take over global responsibility in the interim steering committee. Low-income countries that are members of USP2030 and are interested in filling one of the two open seats should indicate their interest and experience in implementing universal social protection programmes or systems to the secretariat (secretariat@usp2030.org).

Contact: The USP2030 secretariat supports partners and the interim steering committee in carrying out the USP2030 activities. This function is jointly fulfilled by the co-chairs (World Bank and ILO).

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