

Focus Areas

The Trade for Decent Work project focuses on supporting partner countries in **four key areas**, laying the foundation for meaningful change.

Ratification of International Labour Standards

Strengthening the capacity of ILO constituents - governments, workers and employers - to participate in national processes to ratify international labour standards.

Reporting

Improving the capacity of governments to fulfill their obligations to report to the ILO supervisory bodies and of the social partners to contribute to this process.

Labour Law Reform

Supporting ILO constituents and other stakeholders to participate in national processes to align national law and practice with the requirements of ratified international labour instruments.

Responsible Business Conduct

Facilitating dialogue and collaboration to promote sustainable enterprises that safeguard workers' rights including by engaging in human rights due diligence.

In addition to the four key focus areas, the Project also supports:

► Just Transition

Enhancing the awareness of ILO constituents on international labour standards as a pathway to a just transition to a green economy.

► Labour Compliance through Inspection and Adjudication

Strengthening the capacity of the labour inspectorate and the judiciary to enhance compliance with international labour standards.



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A path to decent work via trade

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Our Mission

Throughout global supply chains, there are significant gaps in ensuring decent working standards, particularly concerning fundamental rights at work, fair wages, working time and social protection. These issues pose challenges in upholding the labour rights enshrined in international labour standards.

Our Role

The project aims to foster an equitable and sustainable work environment by promoting the application of international labour standards, particularly the Fundamental Conventions, through improved labour relations and working conditions. The Project encourages the private sector to contribute to the realization of decent work for all, supports labour inspection systems and promotes a just transition to a green economy, thereby contributing to the attainment of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 8.

All project initiatives involve collaboration and dialogue among constituents and other stakeholders, extensive advocacy efforts and a thorough examination of law and practice.

Our Operations

The project provides long-term support to specific countries and targeted assistance to others based on their particular needs.

In Asia, the Project operates in the following countries: **Bangladesh, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Philippines** and **Viet Nam**. In Africa, operations cover **Cabo Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Madagascar** and **Mozambique**. In addition, the Project also contributes/contributed to specific activities in the following countries: **Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, Moldova, Peru** and **Tajikistan**.



Country Operations

Countries	Sectors
Bangladesh	Fisheries/Maritime, Ready Made Garments
Cabo Verde	Tourism
Côte d'Ivoire	Cocoa, Fisheries/Maritime, Agriculture/ Forestry
Ghana	Cocoa, Agriculture/ Forestry, Informal Sector - Domestic workers
Madagascar	Textiles, Mining, Tourism, Vanilla, Fisheries/Maritime, Agriculre/Forestry
Mozambique	Mining, Fisheries/Maritime
Philippines	Sardines, Coconuts, Ready Made Garments
Viet Nam	Electronics, Garments