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Gender-inclusive entrepreneurship & resilient recovery from COVID-19 in the clean cooking sector in Lao PDR

Led by East Asia & Pacific, Energy & Infrastructure Global Practice

By offering educational and employment opportunities for women and building capacity through a skills development program, this project will support a sustainable, gender-inclusive, green, and resilient recovery in Lao PDR by helping female entrepreneurs enter the clean cookstove and pellet supply chains.

PARTNERS: Lao PDR Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM), Lao Business Women's Association (LWBA), Young Entrepreneurs Association of Laos (YEAL), Poverty Reduction Fund III (PRF), Lao National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LNCCI), World Food Program (WFP)



Gendered Impact of COVID-19 in Liberia

Co-Led by West & Central Africa Social Development Global Practice & Gender Group

This project examines the negative impacts of COVID-19 that disproportionately affect women's economic empowerment in Liberia, including: the lack of social protection for informal businesses; increased child care burden due to school closures; increased gender based violence as a result of quarantine measures; overrepresentation of women in sectors hardest hit by pandemic mitigation measures; and reallocation of scarce government resources from programs aimed at combating inequality to health responses.

PARTNERS: United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), UN WOMEN, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)



Promoting access to credit to refugees in East Africa

Led by IFC Financial Institutions Group Advisory Services

This project will address the challenges faced by forcibly displaced people (FDPs) through leveraging technology to develop digital alternative creditworthiness, customized financial literacy, and cost-effective and sustainable ways for lenders to acquire customers. This project aims to promote financial and economic inclusion and financial literacy, support livelihoods and entrepreneurship, and help FDPs integrate in host economies.

PARTNERS: UNHCR, Experian, MNO (MTN/Africell), Opportunity Bank



Digital support for Gender Based Violence survivors in Cameroon and Central African Republic

Co-Led by West and Central Africa Social Development Global Practice & Gender Group

This project aims to improve knowledge coordination of GBV service providers in Cameroon and Central African Republic (CAR), using innovative digital platforms to effectively respond to the needs of survivors. This activity will help create an integrated digital platform that provides easy access to all services needed for survivors through their mobile phones.

PARTNERS: UNFPA, MINUSCA, JHPIEGO, UN Women



ANALYTICAL TOOLS & DATA



- NO POVERTY
- GENDER EQUALITY
- REDUCED INEQUALITY

Analytical underpinnings for strengthened social protection systems in Jamaica and St Lucia

Led by Latin America & the Caribbean Social Protection & Jobs Global Practice

This project generates new evidence on the social impact of COVID-19 and the effectiveness of regular and emergency response social protection programs, with emphasis on disability and gender. Technical assistance will be provided in Jamaica to digitize social protection, building an information system and developing a tool for social protection policy simulations, and in St Lucia, through dialogue and technical assistance on ID systems used for social protection; developing a data quality assessment tool and an interactive dashboard for safety net data, including geo-spatial, vulnerability and gender disaggregated information.

PARTNERS: Ministry of Labor and Social Security (Jamaica), Ministry of Equity and Ministry of Public Service (St Lucia), World Food Programme (WFP), United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), UN Women, Interamerican Development Bank (IADB), Caribbean Development Bank, Statistical Institute of Jamaica



- RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
- LIFE BELOW WATER
- PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

Data Platform to Promote a Sustainable Tourism Recovery in SIDS

Co-Led by Finance, Competitiveness & Innovation Global Practice; Environment, Natural Resources & Blue Economy Global Practice; and Development Economics Group

This Platform will apply big data sources and innovative qualitative tools including geospatial imagery and aircraft movements to track real-time progress in enabling a 'blue economy transformation' in tourism. An inventory and analysis of best practices, policies, tools, and resources aim to support a shift in the tourism sector towards greater sustainability and resilience. An interactive dashboard will bring together big data and knowledge to empower governments, stakeholders, and citizens to track and promote the adoption of 'blue tourism' practices for a sustainable recovery.

PARTNERS: UN Environment Programme (UNEP), World Resources Institute (WRI), High Level Ocean Panel, FlightRadar24, ch-aviation



- GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
- INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
- PEACE AND JUSTICE STRONG INSTITUTIONS

Capacity Building for Real-time Monitoring of Operations in FCV Settings and SIDS to achieve the SDGs

Led by Fragility, Conflict, & Violence (FCV) Group

Leveraging the Geo-Enabling initiative for Monitoring & Supervision (GEMS) method adopted by over 500 WBG projects in 60+ countries for real-time project M&E and remote supervision, this project will provide timely and scalable innovative digital solutions to monitor the COVID-19 response more effectively, while enhancing government accountability mechanisms in FCV situations and SIDS. GEMS will directly support health operations, e.g. by improving the monitoring of service delivery, the distribution of PPE and medications, and the rehabilitation of crucial infrastructure, while strengthening risk management.

PARTNERS: Harvard Humanitarian Initiative (HHI), United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR), World Food Programme (WFP), UNOPS, Client governments



- ALL GOALS

2022 Atlas of Sustainable Development Goals

Led by Development, Economics Development, Data Group

Using compelling data visualizations the Atlas supports policy makers and the public to better understand how SDGs are being monitored and explore progress towards the global goals. Focus areas include illustrating how different methods for evaluating performance on the SDGs can yield different results; exploring the challenges to the goals posed by the impact of COVID-19; and drawing on in-country dialogues with stakeholders to produce field notes on progress towards key SDG targets.

PARTNERS: UN Statistics Division (UNSD), Inter-Agency and Expert Group on SDG Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) includes FAO, WHO, ILO, UNICEF, UNDP, etc.

PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS



Nigeria2Equal Program

Led by IFC Gender & Economic Inclusion Group

This project partners with the Nigerian Stock Exchange and the private sector to reduce gender gaps across women's employment and entrepreneurship. Through research, advisory services, and private sector peer-learning activities, N2E will increase awareness of the business case, generate industry best practices, and promote the application of gender-smart solutions at the firm-level. The program will leverage the NSE's convening power to bring together some of Nigeria's leading businesses and help institutionalize gender equality at the Exchange.

PARTNERS: Nigeria Stock Exchange (NSE), Companies across financial services, infrastructure, agribusiness, services, and other sectors

-  GENDER EQUALITY
-  DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
-  PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Fiji COVID-19 Tourism Recovery Project

Co-led by IFC East Asia & Pacific Creating Markets Advisory, Manufacturing, Agribusiness, & Services, and Financial Institutions Group

This project will drive tourism recovery by increasing government, industry and employee preparedness to reopen and rebuild tourism; stimulating investment for industry greening to develop an enabling environment for tourism recovery by ensuring that policies, regulations and protocols promote efficiency and safety for businesses, communities and tourists; and working with the private sector to enhance competitiveness and destination attractiveness, through data collection and monitoring and supporting businesses to adapt to new COVID-19 standards.

PARTNERS: Fiji Ministry of Commerce, Trade, Tourism and Transport, Government of Australia, UN Resident Coordinator Office, Pacific Islands Developing States, Fiji Hotel and Tourism Association, University of the South Pacific

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Creating Investment Opportunities in Haiti (CIO Haiti)

Led by IFC Latin America & the Caribbean Creating Markets Advisory Services

This project aims to help the garment sector in Haiti navigate the COVID-19 crisis through job retention and catalyze its growth through investment generation and job creation. The project will facilitate policy dialogue and provide hands-on support through a rapid response to retain jobs by providing tailored market intelligence and transactional support to matchmake purchase orders of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and apparel products for producers in Haiti. Upstream activities aim to generate investments and jobs by providing capacity-building for investor support services and mobilizing multi-stakeholder partnerships to attract, facilitate and maintain investments.

PARTNERS: Center for Facilitation of Investment (CFI), Industry Association of Haiti (ADIH), USAID, Government of Korea, Government of Taiwan, Inter-American Development Bank, Better Work Haiti (ILO-IFC)

-  DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
-  INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
-  PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Refugee Investment and Matchmaking Platform (RIMP) Phase II

Co-led by Middle East & North Africa Equitable Growth, Finance, & Institutions Practice Group and External & Corporate Relations Engagement & Partnerships Team

The RIMP supports local job creation to promote the economic integration of refugees in host communities. Building on the success of phase I, RIMP seeks to expand its operational support to projects in Jordan and Djibouti and explore feasibility in Iraq, Lebanon, and Yemen through direct support to task teams through project development, training, and policy notes; disseminating surveys and assessment instruments to client governments on refugee-related firms and COVID-19 impact; analytical work, including option papers, and solidifying global partnerships through the Private Sector for Refugees (PS4R) coalition.

PARTNERS: UK Department for International Development (DFID), Government of Jordan, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR), European Investment Bank (EIB), Confederation of Danish Industry (DI), Mastercard Foundation, TENT Partnership for Refugees, Refugee Investment Network (RIN)

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