

# EU expertise on social protection, labour and employment





FACTSHEET

## SOCIEUX+ FACILITY

**SOCIEUX+ EU Expertise on Social Protection, Labour and Employment** is a technical cooperation facility co-funded by the European Union (EU), France, Belgium and Spain. It aims to enhance access to better employment opportunities and inclusive social protection systems, with a particular focus on women, youth, and vulnerable groups.

The facility works to strengthen institutional capacities in partner countries, promoting social protection, decent work, and responsible business practices. It also supports public institutions in preparing for and responding to EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence expectations.

SOCIEUX+ targets public authorities in partner countries responsible for labour, employment, and social protection, as well as social partners, including employers' and workers' organizations involved in social dialogue. These entities are encouraged to apply for SOCIEUX+ technical cooperation.

As part of its support, SOCIEUX+ may assist partner countries' institutions in engaging with civil society and non-governmental organizations advocating for the rights of women, informal workers, youth, people with disabilities, and other socio-economically disadvantaged groups.

Activities are demand-driven, short-term, and centered on peerto-peer cooperation, bringing together experts from EU Member States with their counterparts in partner countries.

Cooperation type	On demand peer-to-peer technical cooperation	
Areas of expertise	<ul><li>Social Protection</li><li>Labour &amp; Employment</li></ul>	
Scope	Global reach <b>across 160+ countries</b> and territories ୍ୟ <sup>୩</sup> ୯	
Target partners	<ul> <li>Public and publicly mandated bodies at national, regional and local levels</li> <li>Social partners: trade unions, employers' and workers' associations</li> </ul>	
Expertise mobilized	<ul> <li>Public sector officials from EU Member States public administration at all levels and social partners</li> <li>Experts from academia and civil society organiza- tions in specific fields</li> </ul>	
Methodology	Short-term technical cooperation, on-site and online, with up to 4 activities completed within 11 months	
Request process	Continuous request submission via online form	

## SOCIEUX+ mobilises European public expertise for short-term cooperation activities on demand

## **SCOPE OF WORK**

Social insurance:

Old age benefits; pensions; social and health insurance; insurance against occupational accidents and diseases; unemployment benefits; maternity, family and household benefits; strengthen contributory schemes at country level; extension of coverage incl. through voluntary contributions for informal workers and other uncovered groups; increasing contributions/ sustainable financing reforms

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**Social assistance:** Guaranteed income schemes; non-contributory

benefits/transfers; access to basic and other social services; social protection for informal workers and other vulnerable groups; child grants; social pensions; disability grants and disability-inclusive social protection; social protection across the humanitarian-development nexus; sustainable financing; etc.

#### Labour:

Labour law; occupational safety and health; working conditions; institutional reforms and practices; active labour market policies; formalisation of informal employment; eradication of child labour; decent work; due diligence; social relationships; and social dialogue.

SOCIEUX+ on-demand interventions enable exchanges between EU experts, institutions and their worldwide peers on all dimensions of social protection, labour and employment, including:

#### **Employment:**

Public employment services support; entrepreneurship and new forms of work; jobs creation; policies and services design; vocational guidance and training; matching labour demand and labour supply; green jobs promotion; employability of vulnerable groups; youth employment; inclusive employment; soft skills.

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## **SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF SOCIEUX+ SUPPORT**

	SOCIAL PROTECTION	LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT
Elaboration of sector strategies	Setting the stage of health insurance compensation mechanisms	Labour market and skills strategies responsive to sector development and investment
Functional and organisational analysis	Functional review of Ministry units in charge of social protection	Strategic and technical guidance in developing evidence-based labour-market analysis
(Re)formulation of legislative frameworks	Finalization of a draft bill on pension systems	Review of legal frameworks for providing rights and protection to atypical and informal workers
Knowledge transfer	Training of trainers on functional disability assessment	Training of PES trainers on job intermediation and entrepreneurship
Comparative studies	Presentation of EU cases and practices on insurance against occupational accidents & sickness schemes	Foundation of trade unions election rules based on international benchmarking
Other assignments	Setting the stage for the introduction on unemployment benefit schemes	Training seminar on tools for social dialogue

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## SOCIEUX+ now covers the themes of corporate sustainability due diligence and alignment with EU legislation on the decent work aspects

Access and share the factsheet online



## **KEY DOCUMENTS**



## SOCIEUX+ Guide

Guide for institutions and social partners in partner countries.

### EN, FR, ES, PT, RU



#### SOCIEUX+ Request Form

Request Form for Peer-to-Peer Technical Cooperation through structured actions with multiple activities.

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**SOCIEUX+ Simplified Request Form** 

Request Form for Peer-to-Peer Technical Cooperation for conferences, roundtables and other awareness raising events (single-activity actions).

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All documents are available at http://socieux.eu/technical-cooperation/



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