Role of development partners in financing social protection and the approach of the European Union

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Setting the context

Challenges

What outcomes?
Who will pay?
What instruments?
EU Approaches to social protection

- International Commitments
- Current SP programme
- Aid modalities
- Future strategies
Budget support is central

- 90 countries
- 270 contracts
- 13 bn € portfolio
- 1.8 bn € / year paid
- 35-40% EU bilateral ODA

Sustainable Development Goals Contract (SDG-C)

Sector Reform Performance Contract (SRPC)

State and Resilience Building Contract (SRBC)
Improving the synergies between Social Protection and PFM

- Mainstream systematic support to EU Delegations
  - to better use social protection for the impact of EU BS operations
  - Programme design tools
  - Implementation tools

- Selected implementing partners:
  - ILO
  - UNICEF
  - GC-SPF
  - AND: Incl. EU MSs

- Provide comprehensive technical assistance to a few partner countries with EU BS operations
  - strengthening the existing SP system
  - Establishing/harmonizing programmes
  - Make implementation more effective.
How does BS support SP systems building and financing

**Policy making and implementation**

- Support articulating different policy components (social assistance, nutrition, health, employment, insurance), usually under different ministries

**Institutional set up**

- Overcome multiplicity and fragmentation of decision centres (Line ministries; Ministry of finance; local governments, authority for service provision)

**Coordination of social protection policies**

- Strengthen inter-ministerial coordination.

**Public finance management system**

- The budgeting process is sector-based but policy is multi-sector; bring more visibility of social protection expenditure in the budget; overcome opacity of public investment in the budget and in reporting.

**M&E System**

- Help establishing M&E tools for multi-sectoral programmes.
Is a Global Fund for SP already reality?

- Joint Fund for the 2030 Agenda or its special window for social protection floors?
- ILO Flagship programme on Social protection floors?
- Regional:
  Multi-donor Trust fund for the WBG Sahel Adaptive Social Protection Programme?
Questions

• What is the global strategy for SP?
  • Agenda 2030? USP? Recommendation 202 on SPF?

• Which advantage will an international funding structure for social protection will have compared to national funding strategies?

• Do we make fully use of available existing development instruments to support social protection?