Regional Initiative:
Towards the achievement of target 8.7 in Latin America and the Caribbean

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Child labour: What is the situation?

Affects adolescents between 14 and 17 years more

Girls and females adolescents are invisible

Hazardous

Informal

Unpaid family work

Agriculture

No information of impact of migration

No information on forced labour and other worst forms of child labour

Positive trend...

**CHILD LABOUR**

- **2008**: 14,1 MILLION
- **2012**: 12,5 MILLION, Reduction: 12.8%
- **2016**: 10,5 MILLION, Reduction: 17%

**HAZARDOUS CHILD LABOUR**

- 9,4 MILLION
- 9,6 MILLION, Increase: 2%
- 6,3 MILLION, Reduction: 35%
But insufficient...

What is the Regional Initiative?

A **tripartite regional cooperation platform** aligned with Agenda 2030.

**High level authority**
Constituted by Ministers of Labour of the member countries that meet through the regional meetings of the RI

**30 countries**
- Antigua & Barbuda
- Argentina
- Bahamas
- Barbados
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Chile
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Grenada
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Jamaica
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Lucia
- Suriname
- Trinidad & Tobago
- Uruguay
- Venezuela

**7 Regional representatives of employers organisations**

**7 Regional Representatives of workers organisations**

**1 Technical Secretariat**
Assigned to the ILO Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

**Network of Focal Points**
Comprised of government representatives, and of workers and employers organisations
How does it work?

Combines two strategies

Prevention and guarantee of rights
- Life cycle approach
- Coordinated intervention
- Care for boys, girls, families and communities
- Supply of existing public services

Protection and restitution of rights
- Withdrawal from child labour and hazardous child labour
- Rescue, recover, sanction worst forms (crimes)

INTERRUPT TRAJECTORY TOWARDS CHILD LABOUR

Withdrawal

Child Labour Risk Identification Model (CLRISK)
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Tool created by ILO and ECLAC to design and implement child labour prevention strategies at the local level.

- Implemented in 7 countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico and Peru.
- Soon in Guatemala, Guyana, Jamaica and Paraguay.
Results application CLRISK

National child labour rate

Estimation of vulnerability of child labour at local level

Rate for 150 departments aprox.

Estimation for 9,400 municipalities aprox.
Localizing target 8.7 in the region

National and local dimension

Implementation of policies

Exchange and strengthening of capacities

Leave no one in LAC behind in the achievement of target 8.7
What has the RI achieved?

1. Maintain child labour as a **policy priority**
2. Install a **work approach aligned to the 2030 Agenda**, focused on people
3. Strengthen **South-South and Triangular Cooperation**, including Africa
4. Set up a **voice and regional collective vision** against child labour
5. A regional action that **integrates Caribbean countries**
6. Implement the **Child Labour Risk Identification Model in 7 countries**
7. Strengthen the **interagency action**
8. **Expand the knowledge base** on child labour in the region
9. Obtain recognition of the **2019 ILO Award for Innovation**
Next steps

- Strengthen horizontal and vertical coordination
- Strengthen local preventive policies
- Extend the application of CLRISK to other countries
- Strengthen the Regional Initiative as an effective instrument of South-South and Triangular Cooperation
- Improve the development of advocacy skills, negotiation and management skills
- Create alliances with key civil society actors, UN, among others
- Generate knowledge on emerging issues such as migration, value chains, climate change and security, and on special population groups such as indigenous people, Afro-descendants, and girls and adolescents in domestic work
- Measure the effective progress of the countries of the region towards the eradication of child labour
- Mainstream the gender perspective in the policy, management and action of the Regional Initiative
Thank you!

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