PROMOTING INCLUSION THROUGH SOCIAL PROTECTION

Report on the World Social Situation 2018

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Impact of social protection on the Gini coefficient (% reduction)

- Latin America and the Caribbean
- Eastern Europe and Central Asia
- Asia
- Middle East and Northern Africa
- Sub-Saharan Africa

% reduction Gini coefficient

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Some groups are better covered than others

- Older adults receiving pension: 67.9%
- Children receiving child cash benefit: 34.9%
- Persons with severe disabilities receiving disability cash benefit: 27.8%
- Unemployed persons receiving unemployment benefit: 21.8%
Commonalities in the barriers to the effective coverage of the groups selected

• Informal employment: youth, persons with disabilities, migrants, members of ethnic minorities, especially women

• Location: some indigenous peoples and ethnic minorities, migrants

• Policy formulation, design and implementation: contributory and tax-financed measures (non-contributory); targeted vs. universal; conditional vs. non-conditional; registration and payment; accessible information).
Example of exclusion from social protection: systems with both contributory and targeted schemes can create a coverage gap in the middle.
Three key conditions for social protection to leave no one behind

1. **Availability**: pursuing universal coverage with strong legal framework

2. **Accessibility**: to all without discrimination

3. **Adequacy**: to provide income security
THANK YOU

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