IPEC – SIMPOC Activities

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Statistical Information and Monitoring Programme on Child Labour (SIMPOC)
International Programme for the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC)

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International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC)

- created in 1992
- with the goal of
  - the progressive elimination of CL through strengthening the capacity of the countries
  - promoting a worldwide movement to combat CL
- is the largest program of its kind globally and the biggest single operational programme of the ILO.
- has operations in 88 countries
Statistical Information and Monitoring Programme on Child Labour

- Launched in 1998
- Integral part of IPEC
- Aims at assisting ILO member countries in collecting and generating comprehensive and comparable quantitative and qualitative data
International partnerships
National partnerships

- National Statistics Offices
- Ministries of Labour
- Ministries or institutes responsible for children and/or families’ welfare
- Research institutions
- Employers’ and workers’ organizations
- National NGOs
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**Major SIMPOC Activities:**

- Support to child labour (CL) surveys
- Methodological developments in CL statistics
- Training of IPEC’s national partners in CL data collection & analysis
- Statistics-based CL research
- Improved dissemination of CL data
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- Support to child labour surveys:
  - Standalone or modular household-based national child labour surveys (70 to date)
  - Sector- and/or area-specific baseline surveys and rapid assessments to support IPEC projects (almost 200 to date)
  - Other CL surveys, such as, establishment surveys, school surveys, etc. (34 to date)
  - Illustrative charts follow:
    - Geographical spread of SIMPOC surveys
    - Number of SIMPOC surveys by major regions
SIMPOC child labour surveys
Distribution of SI MPOC assisted surveys by region

- Latin America and the Caribbean: 75
- Asia and the Pacific: 60
- Sub-Saharan Africa: 60
- Developed Economies: 11
- Transition Economies: 8
- Middle East and North Africa: 5
Methodological developments:
- The ICLS is the authoritative body to set global standards on labour statistics. Resolution on CL statistics adopted at the 18th ICLS on 5 Dec. 2008 and sets out agreed international guidelines for the statistical measurement of CL.
- ILO tripartism was essential element of the development and approval process of the resolution on CL statistics.
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- **Highlights of CL statistics resolution:**
  - CL is now a core labour force statistic.
  - Mandate to national statistical offices (NSOs) to collect CL statistics as integral part of their official statistics system.
  - ILO mandated to develop global and regional CL estimates and, for the purpose, inform governments and NSOs on CL data needs.
  - Statistical measurement of CL standardized, and endorsed by governments, employers and workers groups, and UN agencies.
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**Training of IPEC’s national partners:**
- Where IPEC operations are in place, building national statistical capability in CL is core SIMPOC work strategy.
- National training by SIMPOC on CL data collection, and jointly by SIMPOC and UCW on CL data analysis.
- Regional training in baseline surveys and rapid assessments by SIMPOC.
SIMPOC manuals and training materials

SIMPOC has developed a series of manuals and training materials covering different areas critical to efficient data collection, processing and analysis of child labour data.

- Manual on Methodologies for Data Collection through Surveys
- Manual for Child Labour Data Analysis and Statistical Reports
- Manual on Child Labour Rapid Assessment Methodology
- Training Modules on Child Labour Data Collection, Processing, Analysis and Reporting
- Sampling for household-based CL surveys
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- **Statistics-based CL research:**
  - Global CL estimates by SIMPOC every 4 years: started (1\textsuperscript{st}) 2002, next (3\textsuperscript{rd}) in 2010.
  - UCW an important partner in IPEC’s CL research, applying data collected by SIMPOC assisted CL surveys.
  - Development of survey methodologies for deriving robust national level estimates of CL in the WFCL other than hazardous work (Bangladesh, Philippines and Cameroun.)
Dissemination of SIMPOC outputs

- SIMPOC web-site
  - CL survey model questionnaires
  - Manuals and training kits for implementing CL surveys
  - Guidance for CL data processing and data analysis
  - Micro datasets and CL survey reports
  - Statistics-based research on critical CL issues
  - CL-Info v1.0

http://www.ilo.org/ipec/ChildlabourstatisticsSIMPOC
SIMPOC Regional Trainings

Child Labour Data Collection through BLS & RA

- Asian Regional Course, 22-26 Sep 2008, Chiba, Japan
- Central and Eastern Europe Regional Course. Istanbul, Turkey, 24-28 May 2008
- Anglophone Africa and MENA Regional Course, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, last quarter of 2010.
SIMPOC NCLS in the Region

- Azerbaijan, 2005
- Georgia, 2000, 2010 (?)
- Kyrgyzstan, 2007
- Romania, 2001
- Ukraine, 1999
SIMPOC NCLS in the Region (Planned)

- Albania, 2009
- Egypt, 2010
- Kazakhstan, 2011 (?)
- Moldova, 2009
- Tadjikistan, 2011 (?)
- Yemen, 2010