Sevilla Platform for Action initiative¹ Completed Template to be submitted online

1. Name of Initiative:

✓ Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions and the Multistakeholder Engagement to Implement the Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions and the World Bank Social Protection and Jobs Compass (M-GA)

2. Is it a new initiative or does it represent a significant scaling up of an existing successful effort?

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3. Lead implementing countries/entities:

- Pathfinder countries: Albania, Bhutan, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Indonesia, Malawi, Namibia, Nepal, Pakistan, Paraguay, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Uzbekistan, Vietnam.
- ILO, UNDP, UNICEF, WFP, FAO, UN Women
- World Bank

4. Endorsing countries/entities:

- Pathfinder countries: Albania, Bhutan, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Indonesia, Malawi, Namibia, Nepal, Pakistan, Paraguay, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam
- Donors of the Global Accelerator (GA) and M-GA (Germany, France, Spain, Ireland, Belgium, Republic of Korea)
- ILO, UNDP, UNICEF, WFP, FAO, UN Women
- UN Joint SDG Fund
- World Bank
- EC INTPA
- FICS Coalition for social investment (including public development banks that are committed to investing more in social protection and decent jobs such as AfD, CEB, ADB).

¹ Sevilla Platform for Action Call for Initiatives 0.pdf

5. Brief description of the initiative, including how it will contribute to advancing FFD outcomes (max 3000 characters):

The Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions (GA), and the supporting multi-stakeholder partnership (M-GA), is a UN-World Bank-led initiative responding to urgent global challenges and stands as a transformative solution aligned with the FFD4 priorities. It is a mechanism for the global community to consolidate coherent policy and financing support to national social protection and employment priorities. Nearly half of the world's population remains without access to social protection, while financing constraints, debt burdens, and policy silos hinder countries from effectively addressing these gaps and creating the decent jobs urgently needed. The GA/M-GA's approach directly supports FFD4's call to promote "inclusive country-led national coordination platforms to support national plans and strategies" (Para 33.a) through "scaled up technical assistance and capacity building, as a basis for engaging with all development partners" (Para 33a). It also supports the FFD4 outcome document objectives to close financing gaps "to increase social protection coverage by at least two percentage points per year" (Para 22.j), "invest in productive sectors and the creation of decent and productive jobs" (Para 16), "integrate the informal sector into the formal economy" (Para 22.d), and enhance inclusive economic growth. Through integrated national strategies, innovative financing solutions, and enhanced "multilateral cooperation" (Para 4), as also promoted by the FFD4 outcome document, it positions social investments not as costs, but as catalytic drivers of inclusive growth and resilience. By fostering virtuous cycles connecting employment, fiscal space, and social protection, the initiative directly advances the FFD4 priorities.

The initiative is now entering its scaling phase. Building on the strong momentum since its launch, over 25 country-level projects in 14 countries are in implementation, backed by national roadmaps and joint programmes. Partnerships with UN agencies, the World Bank, the FICS Coalition for Social Investment, and bilateral donors are strengthening and diversifying its financing base. New calls for proposals launched this spring create opportunities for up to 20 additional country-level initiatives to broaden impact and accelerate results globally.

The GA/M-GA coordinates with other global initiatives that aim at achieving universal social protection, such as USP2030. It also builds synergies with the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty, and the International Task Force on Linking Adaptive Social Protection and Climate Financing.

Endorsing and supporting the GA/M-GA through the FFD4 Platform for Action will help scale up innovative and country-tailored solutions, expand multilateral cooperation, and generate social and economic dividends essential for achieving the SDGs and safeguarding socio-economic resilience amid global uncertainties.

6. List specific actions, formulated in a way that they can be monitored, quantified (targets) and easily communicated, wherever possible, and with clear implementation timelines (max 3000 characters):

The GA/M-GA enters its scaling phase with a clear roadmap of actions. The following presents the initiative's four key action areas structured to ensure sustainable financing, measurable progress and accountability, including some selected indicators from the initiative's comprehensive results framework.

Specific Actions (2025-2030):

1. Taking Action on Public Spending

 Action: Support the development of national financing strategies for jobs and social protection that are integrated into national budgets and INFFs. Strengthen public financial management and promote increased and more efficient public spending on social protection and employment which increases fiscal space. Strengthen data and reporting systems related to social protection and employment spending by building national capacities to collect, track, and publish relevant expenditure data.

Selected Results Indicators:

- o Annual change in social protection public spending.
- o Annual change in employment-related public spending.
- Number of countries tracking and publishing data on social protection and employment-related spending.

2. Take Action on Revenues for Social Protection and Jobs

• **Action:** Support national reforms to enhance domestic revenue mobilization, including taxation, formalization of jobs and enterprises, and increase in contributors to social protection systems.

Selected Results Indicators:

- Number of decent jobs created in roadmap-targeted sectors (share of formal employment used as proxy).
- o Registered enterprises increased in targeted sectors.
- Share of social security contributions with initiative's support

3. Promote Investments with a Social Impact

• **Action:** Facilitate the mobilization and alignment of public and private, domestic and international investments toward national employment and social protection

- priorities. This involves the facilitation of partnerships with development banks and private sector actors to co-finance roadmap implementation.
- **Selected Results Indicators:** Share of ODA and other financial flows allocated to social protection and employment policies and investments.

4. Enhance Fiscal Space and Macroeconomic Policy

- Action: Contribute to inclusive policy dialogue aimed at balancing macro-fiscal stability with employment, social protection, and growth objectives—including issues related to currency, debt, inflation, fiscal targets, and balance of payments.
 Promote the use of preferential credit, prudential rules, guarantee schemes, and public financing tools to channel resources toward social protection and employment priorities.
- **Selected Results Indicators:** Structure and mechanisms in place to improve coordination on employment and social protection policies, with budgeting and macroeconomic policies.

7. Specify all FFD action areas the initiative will address: (tick relevant boxes)

- ✓ Domestic public resources
- Domestic and international private business and finance
- ✓ International development cooperation
- International trade as an engine for development
- Debt and debt sustainability
- ✓ Addressing systemic issues
- Science, technology, innovation and capacity building
- ✓ Data, monitoring and follow up

8. Specify all Sustainable Development Goals the initiative will address:

(tick relevant boxes)

- 1. No Poverty
- 2. Zero Hunger
- 3. Good Health and Well-Being
- 4. Quality Education
- 5. Gender Equality
- 6. Clean Water and Sanitation
- 7. Affordable and Clean Energy
- 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth
- 9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- 10. Reduced Inequalities
- 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
- 12. Responsible Consumption and Production
- 13. Climate Action
- 14. Life Below Water
- 15. Life on Land

- 16. Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- 17. Partnerships for the Goals
- 9. Specify the initiative's geographic focus:
 - ✓ Global
- 10. If the initiative's geographic focus is regional or national, please indicate the specific regions or countries that it will cover.

Albania, Bhutan, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Indonesia, Malawi, Namibia, Nepal, Pakistan, Paraguay, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam

- 11. Please indicate your interest in launching the initiative during FFD4. A pressfacing space at the conference will be ready for lead entities to make brief presentations of SPA initiatives. Please make sure to register for the FFD4 conference to gain access to the venue. Registration page: https://financing.desa.un.org/ffd4/participate.
 - ✓ Yes
- 12. If there is an interest to launch the initiative at a press-facing space at FFD4, please provide the proposed line up for this launch, including the names and titles of speakers (e.g., Head of State, Minister, or institutional leader).
 - Introductory Presentation of the Initiative:
 - Laura Thompson, Assistant Director General for External and Corporate Relations, ILO
 - Sharing of Pathfinder Country Perspectives
 - Senegalese Ministry of Economy, Planning and Cooperation (tbc)
 - Uzbekistan First Deputy Minister of Economy and Finance (tbc)
 - Sharing of Donor Country Perspectives
 - Thani Mohamed-Soilihi, Minister of State for Francophonie and International Partnerships, Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs) (tbc)

13. Focal point name:

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