

NEWSLETTER

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Publications

- **ODI and UNICEF | Report | Feb 2023 | [Strengthening inclusive social protection systems for displaced children and their families](#)** - This report sheds light on the following questions: How do inclusive social protection systems support displaced children and their families? What are the benefits of inclusive social protection – for displaced populations, host communities, local economies and state institutions? What are some of the common barriers but also opportunities for realising better child outcomes through social protection that includes displaced children?
- **Global Social Policy | Journal Article | Feb 2023 | [Beyond rights-based social protection for refugees](#)** - This article seeks to address the paucity of literature on how refugees strategize around access to social assistance beyond Northern-mandated approaches. The authors review existing research on Syrian displacement in Lebanon to interrogate assumptions that refugees automatically seek institutionalised assistance.
- **SP.org and STAAR | Blog Post | Feb 2023 | [A Snapshot of Social Protection and its links with Humanitarian Assistance in the Ukraine Crisis](#)** - The conflict in Ukraine continues to cause disruption and displacement. This blog post looks at how local social protection systems and humanitarian actors have responded to the escalating, ever-shifting needs of the population.
- **CaLP | Report | Jan 2023 | [Linking Humanitarian Cash and Social Protection in Ukraine](#)** - This thematic paper documents key lessons learnt, emerging critical issues, and real-time recommendations for strengthening the cash response in Ukraine.
- **UNICEF | Report | Jan 2023 | [Disaster Risk Financing and Social Protection - An Assessment of the Evidence on Pre-arranged Finance for Government Support in Disasters](#)** - By analysing the gaps and strengths of current systems in several countries in East Asia and Pacific, especially those highlighted by the COVID-19 crisis, this report provides lessons and recommendations on how improve the effectiveness of financing for shock responsive social protection in the region.
- **World Bank | Working Paper | Jan 2023 | [Do Cash Transfer Programs Protect from Poverty in the Case of Aggregate Shocks?: A Study on Typhoon Yolanda in the Philippines](#)** - This paper assesses the performance of the Philippines' Conditional Cash Transfer Programme in the aftermath of typhoon Yolanda in 2013. Using triple difference techniques, it finds that the programme effectively protected households affected by the storm from falling into extreme poverty.
- **Climate Risk Management | Journal Article | Dec 2022 | [Migration and climate change - The role of social protection](#)** - This systematic literature review of 28 studies identifies evidence for how social protection has influenced beneficiaries' migration decisions, experiences, and outcomes in the context of a changing climate, through cash transfers, public work programs, insurance, and health care.
- **Sahel Adaptive Social Protection Program | Report | Dec 2022 | [Linking Humanitarian Cash Assistance and National Social Protection Systems](#)** - This study looks at the current (2020-2022) alignment and links between social protection programmes on the one hand and humanitarian assistance provided by donors and agencies on the other in six countries in the Sahel region: Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, and Senegal.
- **ODI | Toolkit | Dec 2022 | [Linking social protection and humanitarian assistance: Guidance to assess the factors and actors that determine an optimal approach in a displacement setting](#)** - This toolkit offers guidance to actors providing assistance to displaced populations, to help them consider whether and how NGO/internationally-led humanitarian assistance might be linked with state-led social protection (for more research outputs of the same project see also [here](#)).
- **FAO | Brief | Mar 2021 | [Social Protection and Climate Change](#)** - This brief stresses the important role social protection plays in supporting inclusive climate risk-management strategies that contribute to safeguarding livelihoods and increasing the resilience of households.

Events

- GIZ and SP.org | Webinar recordings | 14 Feb 2023 | **Disaster Risk Financing meets Adaptive Social Protection: Maximizing the effectiveness of shock response** - This webinar explored the challenges and opportunities for applying a disaster risk financing approach to adaptive social protection and derived key lessons from a cross-sector perspective.
- UNICEF, WFP, DG ECHO and SP.org | Webinar Recordings | 1 Dec 2022 | **Disaster Risk Financing and Social Protection** - This webinar drew on a recent publication by UNICEF (see above) which assesses the factors that enable or constrain the effectiveness of risk financing mechanisms for shock responsive social protection in the East Asia and Pacific region.

Courses

- GIZ and SP.org | e-course | **ASPECTS 3: Financing** - Enrol now on the third course of the e-Learning series on Adaptive Social Protection (ASP), which presents the Disaster Risk Financing (DRF) approach as applied to Adaptive Social Protection.
- A-humanitaria | e-course (in Spanish) | **Transferencias monetarias y sistemas de protección social en la acción humanitaria** - This course proposes establishing practical definitions of social protection systems and their link with cash transfer programmes.
- FAO - e-course | **Managing climate risks through social protection: Increasing policy and programmatic capacity to link social protection to climate risk** - Using an illustrative scenario, the course offers data, examples and evidence to better understand the roles that social protection plays in contributing to inclusive climate risk management.

➤ Upcoming ◀

- **Call for Papers - Crisis and Continuity: Towards Inclusive, Resilient, and Environmentally Sustainable Social Policies in the Middle East and North Africa** - The MENASP Network invites submissions for its 2023 Conference, to be held July 11-12. A key aim of the conference is to bring together the work of academics and practitioners within a variety of formats. (Apply by March 5)
- **Event - European Humanitarian Forum** (March 20-23)
- **Event - Humanitarian Practitioners Network Week** (April 17-28)
- **Publication** - CaLP will soon publish a comparative study on existing operational models for delivering multi-purpose cash assistance in the MENA region and linkages with social protection systems.

How to stay in touch

Please email cbilo@unicef.org for feedback/amendments/contributions.

You can also join the CaLP d groups, and/or the SP.org Online Community for Social Protection in Crisis Contexts where many discussions are taking place.

HOW TO JOIN THE ONLINE COMMUNITY ON 'SOCIAL PROTECTION IN CRISIS CONTEXTS'

1. Log in to your socialprotection.org account or register if you are not already a member by clicking [here](#).
2. Join the online community on 'Social protection in crisis contexts' by clicking [here](#).

This newsletter is an initiative of the [SPIAC-B Working Group on Linking Humanitarian \(Cash\) Assistance and Social Protection](#). It is an inclusive space consisting of humanitarian and development actors from a wide range of agencies. It is co-led by IFRC, UNICEF and FCDO, with the support of the [Online Community for Social Protection in Crisis Contexts](#) which is an unbranded, member-based online space on the socialprotection.org platform.

