

# Global Grants

Title	Goal
<b>Global Micro Database</b>	To construct a new global micro database that integrates two separate, existing databases: the <i>Global Poverty Working Group</i> database—which provides inputs into the Bank’s official poverty statistics published on the <i>World Development Indicators</i> and <i>PovCalNet</i> websites—and the <i>International Income Distribution Database</i> —which grew out of the World Development Reports on Inequality and on jobs, containing harmonized versions of 50 variables for 1200 surveys, including a large number of labor variables.
<b>Tackling CARE: Innovative Approaches for Private Sector Companies and Policymakers to Retain Female Talent</b>	To build evidence on the business case for providing gender-smart care services at the workplace and develop practical approaches the private sector can adopt for their enactment. Many private sector initiatives targeted at women are carried out as Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives and are not designed from a business point-of-view, thus, compromising their scale and sustainability.
<b>Strategic Directions in Jobs</b>	To generate new global knowledge that informs jobs-related analytical and investment activities in four areas of focus: i) private sector jobs creation, ii) obstacles to jobs creation presented by informality, iii) factor that lead to different jobs outcomes for men, women and youth and iv) particular challenges to job creation in fragile and conflicted states.
<b>Jobs Indicators on Enterprise-Level Data (JIELD)</b>	To create and provide indicators on jobs dynamics using enterprise level data to inform policy makers about job creation patterns. The grant activity will help launch a new dataset based on firm-level data, which will address the problem of scarce firm level indicators and data on job dynamics.
<b>Management of Measurement Deliverables</b>	To coordinate and oversee the various deliverables implemented by the variety of partners of <i>Let’s Work</i> , which aims to develop a set of harmonized methodologies and tools for estimating direct, indirect, and induced effects of jobs for both the quantity and the quality of jobs.
<b>Global Learning and Technical Assistance</b>	To support the <i>Solutions for Youth Employment</i> partnership—which links stakeholders in the private and public sectors and civil society— in activities aimed at gathering and exchanging knowledge and evidence, bringing together diverse stakeholders, and using knowledge to achieve high-impact programming for youth employment at scale.
<b>Rapid Skills Training for Youth Employment</b>	To identify key success factors of <i>Technology and Entrepreneurship Rapid Skills Training Programs</i> (boot camps) and measure their impact on employment and employability of youth.
<b>Public Works and Welfare: Randomized Control Trials</b>	To improve knowledge on the impacts of public works projects on the socio-economic outcomes of the long-term unemployed in a fragile country.

<b>Training Course on Measuring Violent Conflict</b>	To develop the Conflict Exposure Module, which builds the capacity of government agencies, donors, non-governmental organizations, and researchers to complement standard household surveys in conflict-affected countries with questions featuring the causes, forms, and consequence of violence. This enhances the generation of micro-data on violence, supporting better research on issues such as the relationship between livelihoods, employment and violence, resulting in better policy design.
<b>Soft Skills, Personality Traits and Jobs in situations of Fragility, Conflict and Violence</b>	To improve labor market policy targeting disadvantaged populations in low- and middle-income countries, specifically, the role of soft skills and personality traits—as complements to vocational/technical training—in improving labor market and related life-outcomes for at-risk youth.

## Regional Grants

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<b>The informal sector in the Sahel</b> Sahel region	To provide insight into the poorly understood dynamic of informal firms operating in unstable environments by closing data gaps in three cities of the Sahel region-- Bamako (Mali), Niamey (Niger).
<b>Pathways to formality in</b> Latin America	To develop an analytical framework to explain pathways towards formalization for both enterprises and labor. Using a unique panel-structured firm survey for Peru that contains information about various levels of formalization, the framework would be tested with actual data and relevant formality characteristics. Depending on budget and data availability, the framework may also be tested in other countries, such as Colombia.
<b>“Entangled”: Workers' Adjustment to Trade</b> South Asia	To assess welfare implications of trade by estimating worker-level adjustment costs for different worker groups in South Asia. This will help fill in a critical gap in literature and help policymakers target aid to affected workers and design programs to help the economy allocate resources efficiently.
<b>Rural Jobs: Designing Policies and Programs for the Next Generation</b> South Asia	To examine the experience of selected projects from the World Bank’s rural portfolio to assess the jobs impact of these projects to gather more granular insights on what types of interventions and design features are successful in generating more and better rural jobs and, in particular, jobs that are more appealing and suited to the youth and women.
<b>Youth Labor Market Exclusion</b> Southeast Asia	To (i) identify factors that lead to the exclusion of young people from the labor market and understand how these work experiences affect later outcomes; (ii) inform the design of labor market interventions to put young people on pathways to productive work; and (iii) demonstrate the value of collecting more information about work conditions.