

<b>JICA</b>	Japan International Cooperation Agency
<b>JET</b>	Jobs and Economic Transformation
<b>JQ</b>	Job Quality
<b>KfW</b>	<i>Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau</i>
<b>LISTRAF</b>	Labor Market Information and Skills System Transformation for Labor Market Flexibility Project
<b>MAFS</b>	South Sudan Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security
<b>MDTF</b>	Multi-Donor Trust Funds
<b>MIGA</b>	Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency
<b>MoF</b>	Ministry of Finance
<b>MOICT</b>	Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism—Laos
<b>MoM</b>	Ministry of Manpower—Indonesia
<b>MSME</b>	Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises
<b>NASA</b>	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
<b>NAVCDP</b>	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project
<b>NGO</b>	Non-governmental Organization
<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>PCU</b>	Project Coordinating Unit
<b>PSJET</b>	Private Sector Jobs and Economic Transformation Project
<b>S4YE</b>	Solutions for Youth Employment
<b>SALT</b>	Supporting Andhra Learning Transformation
<b>SC</b>	Steering Committee
<b>SDF</b>	Skills Development Fund
<b>SE</b>	Secretariat of Economy—Mexico
<b>SECO</b>	State Secretariat for Economic Affairs
<b>SEJE</b>	Secretary of State of Youth and Employment—Mozambique
<b>SHCP</b>	<i>Secretaría de Hacienda y Crédito Público—Mexico</i>
<b>SEP</b>	Secretariat of Public Education—Mexico
<b>SIDA</b>	Swedish International Development Cooperation
<b>SJELS</b>	Supporting Effective Jobs Lending at Scale
<b>SLGP</b>	Small Loan Guarantee Program
<b>SME</b>	Small and medium-sized enterprises
<b>SMS</b>	Short-Message-Service
<b>SPJ</b>	Social Protection and Jobs
<b>STEM</b>	Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education-India
<b>STPS</b>	Secretariat of Labor and Social Welfare
<b>TTL</b>	Task Team Leader
<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Programme
<b>UNESCO</b>	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
<b>WACA</b>	West Africa Coastal Areas Resilience Investment
<b>WBG</b>	World Bank Group
<b>WBL</b>	Women, Business and the Law
<b>WDR</b>	World Development Report
<b>WEE</b>	Women's Economic Empowerment
<b>YAG</b>	Youth Advisory Group

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The Jobs Umbrella Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) continues supporting high-impact jobs strategies, advancing global knowledge on effective policy solutions, and supporting large-scale operationalization of the World Bank (WB) jobs agenda. The MDTF is structured into three windows: Window 1 on Jobs Lending at Scale, Window 2 on measurement Agenda, and Window 3 on Influence through Partnership and Innovation.

This annual report summarizes key progress and achievements across its three work streams during 2023.

Under Window 1, the last grants under the Supporting Effective Jobs Lending at Scale (SEJLS) program closed in 2023. These grants supported activities to improve the technical quality of operations in low-income and fragile settings in several sectors to enhance job targeting and job outcomes. SEJLS grants supported the standardization of operational approaches to jobs challenges in client countries, the definition and measurement of outcomes of jobs policies and programs, improvements in M&E systems in projects to track jobs-relevant outcomes, and the creation of new knowledge on effective jobs-related interventions and measurement. SEJLS grant outputs and outcomes during 2023 will further encourage inclusive and sustainable job creation and economic growth in future job-relevant projects in similar sectors and contexts. Both analytical and research activities undertaken under the SEJLS grants have also influenced country interventions to maximize job outcomes. The SEJLS program also financed a [report](#) on best practices and lessons learned identified for job lending operations and blogs to highlight the achievements and challenges of projects supported by the grants.

- In Malawi, the grant activities supported the Financial Inclusion and Entrepreneurship Scaling (FINes) Project. Grant activities in 2023 included measuring direct and indirect jobs created or sustained through project funding to Micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) by linking key indicators on the impact of jobs to the project, identifying criteria to prioritize funding to MSMEs with higher impacts on job creation, refining a 2022 MSME survey to evaluate progress and identify MSME sectors with substantial or potential jobs creation impact and supporting the design of eligible MSMEs capacity building training programs.
- In South Sudan, the Resilient Agricultural Livelihoods Project's grant supported qualitative and quantitative data collection in four relevant markets, which the project used to analyze market revival and jobs in food sector activities outside the main production stream.

The work under the **Estimating Indirect Jobs Impacts** of WB interventions grant was completed during 2023 under Window 1. Twenty projects developed 21 pilot exercises on indirect job estimation, highlighting the importance and long-lasting impacts of indirect jobs. These pilots helped inform a review paper that summarized the exercise and lessons learned and provided guidance on the methodologies for various types of estimations for different sectors and country contexts.