

SDC and Social Protection



In the last decade social protection has become

an important component of development policy. While SDC supports interventions such as cash transfers in humanitarian settings and private/semi-private (agricultural) insurance schemes, it has done so without particular guidance or reference to an SDC position on social protection.

As part of the SDC-IDS Collaboration, researchers from the Centre for Social Protection (CSP) at IDS have been working with SDC to look at the part social protection plays in SDC's work and how this could develop in the future. The focus of this work was a Mirror Event, held on 18 February 2016 and hosted by SDC. It was attended by Keetie Roelen and Stephen Devereaux from the CSP, members of the SDC Directorate and other interested SDC staff. [Learn more »](#)



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Recommended



Where are we now? Where are we going? watch this video to learn more about SDC's position on Social Protection in the context of the international development agenda. Watch [this video](#) and see also the related briefing papers.

SDC-IDS Mirror Event on Social Protection



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GSDRC Webinar: Wellbeing and extreme and persistent poverty. [See the webinar video»](#)

New section: Participatory Poverty Assessments

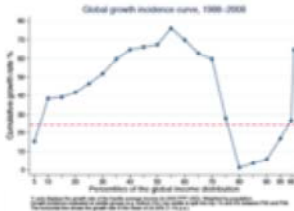


Governments and their development partners around the world are involved in

formulating and implementing a range of poverty reduction policies. The aim of Participatory Poverty Assessments (PPAs) is to bring the voices of poor and marginalised people and their understandings of poverty into this process, thereby increasing policy effectiveness. Without respecting and responding to how

poor people experience poverty and what they see as causing it, development interventions are likely to fail. [Learn more about PPAs and discover resources »](#)

Global inequality: trends, solutions and political implications



Questions of inequality are increasingly high on the global academic and policy agenda – this

shareweb's newsfeed is but one indicator! Organisations from Oxfam to the IMF have recently published analyses of global wealth data and are weighing in on the causes and consequences of inequality at a global scale. Economist Branko Milanovic has been working on the topic of inequality since well before it became popular and recently shared his views in a keynote address at a conference on inequality organised by the Swiss Network for International Studies and the ETH. In his lecture, Milanovic addressed the question of recent trends in global income inequality and their political implications. Global income inequality refers to income inequality between world citizens, in whatever country they may reside. [Read more »](#)



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Reminding Davos delegates of global inequality



The World Economic Forum kicks off today in wintry, snow-clad Davos.

The economic climate is also wintry – particularly for the world's most economically poor and socially disadvantaged citizens. Oxfam has nicely timed the release of its most recent report on inequality just days before the Davos event, making headlines with the shocking figure that 62 individuals, 53 men and nine

women, now control half of the world's
wealth. [Read more »](#)



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