Gender-sensitive social protection systems in Brazil and Africa: opportunities for South-South cooperation

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- Increasing number of social protection programmes worldwide.
- The successful impacts of conditional cash transfers in Latin American countries encouraged other governments to develop and strengthen their social protection systems.

- In Africa, in particular, there has been an impressive growth of non-contributory programmes in the last 15 years (Cirillo & Tebaldi, 2016):
Gender, social protection and the Agendas 2030 and 2063
The need for a systematic approach to social protection is being clearly expressed in international discourse;

Efforts need to focus on integrating and expanding the different interventions that are in place (de la O Campos, 2015);

For the international development goals expressed in Agendas 2030 and 2063 to be reached in a sustainable way, the gender perspective to social protection needs to be understood as an integral part of comprehensive social protection systems;

South-South cooperation provides great opportunities for mutual learning in the adoption and customization of gender-sensitive social protection.

Focus on Brazil-Africa relations.
Bolsa Familia Programme: quantitative and qualitative analysis
Results in terms of women’s empowerment and autonomy: health indicators, women’s reproductive rights, domestic decision-making, subjection to undesired conjugal and work relations.

Challenge: overcoming traditional gender relations which place the bulk of domestic care work on women.

Scope for expanding the systematic approach based on PBF’s structure.
Gender and social protection in African LICs
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- General assessment of programmes’ design features
  - School feeding programmes
  - Cash transfers
  - Public works

- Challenge: addressing Gender practical needs and strategic needs
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- Brazil-Africa Social Protection Survey
  - Single Registry
  - CRAS/SUAS
  - Conditionalities
  - Benefits recipients
- South-South Cooperation on Social Protection and Food Security
  - M&E systems
  - Complementary programmes and setting up social protection systems
  - Registries
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Over 15 publications, webinars, online discussions and courses

- Social Protection in Africa: Inventory of Non-contributory Programmes
- Brazil–Africa knowledge-sharing on Social Protection and food and nutrition security
- Policy in Focus magazines:
  - Food and nutrition security: towards the full realisation of human rights
  - Upcoming: Policy in Focus – gender and social protection

We would like to invite you to join the Brazil-Africa Social Protection Community at socialprotection.org!
References


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Thank you!

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