

ENGAGING PAKISTANI DIASPORA IN ITALY FOR PROMOTING DECENT WORK IN PAKISTAN



Since November 2020, the Italian NGO ISCOS has been a partner in the project "*Promotion of Decent Work Opportunities for the economic empowerment of vulnerable segments of society*", implemented by **ILO Pakistan** and funded by the **Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS)**.

The action aims to support job creation, social protection and promote decent work in Pakistan through three components:

1. Strengthening the capacity of national institutions to effectively eliminate child and forced labor;
2. Promoting a coordinated system of social protection in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, to be replicated in other provinces;
3. Involving the Pakistani Diaspora in Italy for job creation and promotion of entrepreneurship in Pakistan.

The Italian component of the project is implemented by **ISCOS - Trade Unions Institute for Development Cooperation**.

MAIN ACTIONS:

- Train and support Pakistani communities in Italy to access Decent Work opportunities;
- Engage Pakistani diaspora in Italy to promote "diaspora investment" in Pakistan and business-to-business exchanges;
- Trade Union training for leaders of the Pakistani Trade Union Confederations.

MAIN ACTIVITIES:



Mapping Pakistani diaspora associations in Italy



Survey for entrepreneurs of Pakistani origin in Italy



Information campaign in Italian and Urdu "Same job, same rights"



Involving the Pakistani diaspora in Italy to promote "diaspora investment" and decent work in Pakistan



In-person training activities for Pakistani migrants in Italy on social and labour rights



Seminars and exchanges between trade unions, government officials and business persons



The Trade Union Institute for Development Cooperation is an Italian NGO established in 1983 on the initiative of the Italian Workers' Trade Unions Confederation CISL to promote international cooperation programs and actions.

Solidarity, social justice, decent work and peace are ISCOS' founding principles.

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PAKISTANI COMMUNITY IN ITALY

- More than 131 000 Pakistani-born citizens regularly residing in Italy (29.3% women; 70.7% men);
- The employment rate of Pakistanis in Italy is 52.5% (74.5% men; 7.3% women);
- More than 18 000 entrepreneurs own a sole proprietorship.



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