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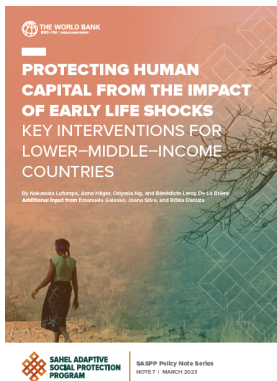
## Recent publications



### Our Annual Report 2023 is now available

Sahelian countries have continued to demonstrate their willingness to scale up social protection. This annual report explores SASPP's progress in supporting its partners to make this a reality. The report reflects on the main achievements undertaken in Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger and Senegal, as well as by the regional program. It also presents the plans for further developing ASP in the forthcoming fiscal year.

[Read more here.](#)



### All SASPP Policy Notes are ready for download

A revamped SASPP Policy Note series collection is now accessible in both English and French. The notes are designed to provide insights into critical themes for developing ASP in the Sahel, such as seasonality, targeting in ultra-poor settings, disaster risk financing, or protecting human capital.

[To delve into valuable ideas click here.](#)

Or click directly on the numbers below to open the note of your interest:

**#1** | *Adapting Social Safety Net Operations to Insecurity in the Sahel*

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- #9 | *Preventing Early Childhood Undernutrition in the Sahel: Recommendations for SQ-LNS Interventions*

## Events

### High-level mission to Chad frames World Bank scaled-up country response and calls for stronger international support



Photo: World Bank

The [World Bank](#) called for increased international support for refugees and host communities at the Chad-Sudan border and announced \$340 million in new financing to help address the multiple shocks the country is facing. The announcement came during a two-day joint visit to the country by Managing Director of Operations Anna Bjerde and UNHCR High Commissioner Filippo Grandi. To reflect, on the significance of strong humanitarian-development partnerships...

[Watch their conversation.](#)

### What happened on the 'Sahel Day'?



Photo: Steffen Kugler

In June, BMZ and the World Bank hosted the ASP [Global Forum](#). Sahel's experience with ASP as a preventing and protecting mechanism against crises stood out throughout the forum. A separate event followed the conference, and 55 participants convened for the WFP-led 'Sahel Day' in collaboration with the World Bank and UNICEF, and with support from GIZ and BMZ. Four particularly relevant thematic areas were discussed.

[Read this blog to know more.](#)

### The Alliance Sahel held its 4th General Assembly on July 10



Photo: Alliance Sahel

The Alliance Sahel 4th General Assembly was held in Mauritania, which welcomed over 120 participants as well as the German presidency (a SASPP partner). During the assembly, a declaration was adopted, emphasizing three strategic priorities aligned with SASPP, including promoting inclusive economic participation and enhancing resilience to shocks through national systems.

[Read the details here.](#)

## Highlights



We are happy to have launched our LinkedIn page. Follow us to stay tuned and for weekly updates on immediate news and latest findings on Adaptive Social Protection in the Sahel.

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Watch this short clip to discover how SASPP is supporting the Government of Senegal to protect and promote the resilience of the poorest and most vulnerable populations in the country. The video presents an overview of activities and features testimonies from government representatives as well as program participants.

[Watch it on our website, here.](#)



SASPP is a multi-donor trust fund managed by the World Bank that supports the strengthening of adaptive social protection systems in the Sahel to enhance the resilience of poor and vulnerable populations to the impacts of climate change. The program is supported by Denmark, France, Germany, and the United Kingdom.



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