

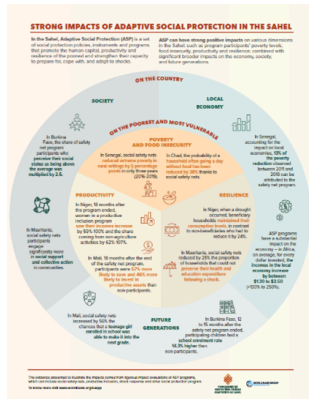


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Recent publications



New Infographic: Strong Impacts of Adaptive Social Protection in the Sahel

Check out this informative new SASPP infographic illustrating the impacts of adaptive social protection (ASP) in the Sahel. It highlights that ASP has impacts on beneficiaries – improving their welfare, food security, resilience, and productivity – as well as more broadly on countries – boosting local economies, equipping future generations with greater human capital, and promoting social cohesion.

[Feel free to download it and use in your presentations or communications.](#)

Presentation: 18 Recommendations to Advance ASP in the Region

How can Sahelian governments strengthen their adaptive social protection systems and build the resilience of the poorest and most vulnerable in the face of climate change?



Find out in this engaging new SASPP visual presentation, capturing the key highlights of the report, "[Stress Test Adaptive Social Protection Systems in the Sahel](#)". The results, based on assessments completed between 2021 and 2022 across six Sahelian countries, form a strong baseline to benchmark future progress toward strengthening these systems in the region.

[Learn more in the presentation here.](#)

Events

The Sahel Alliance Temporary Working Group Meets in Brussels | March 19



Photo: Sahel Alliance

The [Sahel Alliance](#) temporary working group, co-led by BMZ and SASPP, convened for its second meeting to coordinate efforts across multiple fronts: identifying common messages for joint advocacy and communication, defining guiding principles for its members' support to governments in the region, and identifying mechanisms to mobilize additional resources to support government-led ASP systems in the region.

The SASPP participates in the European Humanitarian Forum 2024 | Brussels, March 18-19



Photo: European Union

Our program participated in the session "Emerging Social Protection and Community Resilience Experiences to Bridge the Nexus". The event, organized by WFP, FAO, and the Global Network Against Food Crises brought together key stakeholders linking humanitarian assistance with resilience-building interventions and social protection, exploring opportunities to leverage existing national programs to deliver aid more efficiently, whilst also adapting and designing them to be responsive to current and future shocks.

[Check out the forum website to know more.](#)

Linking Humanitarian Assistance to Social Protection | Cash Learning Partnership (CaIP) | February 15

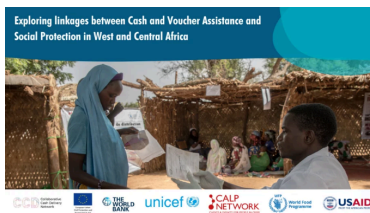


Photo: CaIP

This webinar was the first in a series exploring the connection between humanitarian cash and voucher assistance and social protection in West and Central Africa. The session built on the SASPP Flagship Report, "[Linking Humanitarian Cash Assistance and National Social Protection Systems](#)", followed by a panel discussion including the World Bank, WFP, UNICEF, ECHO, and international NGOs.

[You can explore the workshop materials here.](#)



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Inaugural Celebration of the *Journée nationale de l'Équité* in Senegal | January 17

The 10-year commemoration of the *Bourses de Sécurité Familiale* inspired the first-ever national day for social equity in Senegal. The event was an opportunity to

reflect on successes and future opportunities. This was a strong example of the ownership of the national social safety net program and the intersecting role of the government-led Single National Registry (RNU). It also highlights Senegal's remarkable journey since the first Senegal Social Safety Net Project was adopted in support of Adaptive Social Protection in 2014.

Sixty Years of Partnership Between Mauritania and the World Bank | January 16



Photo: Bellewarmedia

In the presence of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development, an event was held in Nouakchott to commemorate the 60 years of partnership between Mauritania and the World Bank. The high-level event was characterized by a focus on [human capital](#) in line with the government's long-term strategy.

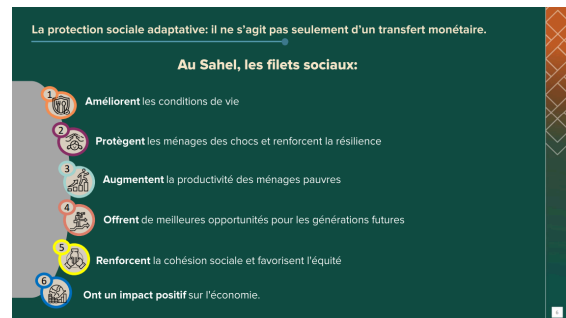
[Watch the impactful interventions presented by SASPP colleagues](#) (or subtitled in English on SASPP LinkedIn, [here](#)).

Highlights



The cost of inaction on clean cooking in Sub-Saharan Africa is estimated at US\$330 billion annually. This new blog from SASPP calls for urgent action across the health, social protection, and energy sectors in Sub-Saharan Africa to ensure increased access to clean and improved cooking.

[Check out the blog to find out more.](#)



The role of ASP in fostering human capital for inclusive and sustainable development was the focus of a workshop organized by the Government of Mali and the Social Protection team of the World Bank in December. The session enabled a rich dialogue under the auspices of the Ministry of Health and Social Development, convening over 40 representatives from government, development partners, and civil society. SASPP delivered a presentation outlining the impacts of productive safety nets on various dimensions.

[Explore the presentation in French to know more.](#)

Special section: Burkina Faso

ASP In Brief | Planning and Coordination of the Lean Season Response in Burkina Faso: Analysis of the Period 2021-2024 | Burkina Faso



SASPP is delighted to announce the launch of its new publication series — 'ASP in Brief'. This series provides snapshots into the latest research and impacts of adaptive social protection in the Sahel. This first 'ASP in Brief' answers the question — what can we learn from three years of lean season responses in Burkina Faso? Drawing from lessons on the coordination efforts between humanitarian and government actors from 2021 to 2024, it measures key indicators, including the degree of harmonization in social safety net transfer modalities, with encouraging outcomes.

[Check out this first ASP in Brief in French here.](#)

Safety Net Productive Inclusion Impact Evaluation Dissemination Workshop | Burkina Faso | February 9



Photo source: Arianna Legovini's LinkedIn

In Burkina Faso, the World Bank Development Impact Evaluation (DIME) and the SASPP showcased the success of productive inclusion measures integrated into the Burkin Naong Sa Ya social safety net program at a recent national workshop. The results presented included increased household income and consumption, strengthened economic inclusion among women, and improved health and early childhood development outcomes.

[Check out the full Impact Evaluation Report of Productive Inclusion measures, in French, here.](#)

'Financial Inclusion via Digital Social Payments: An Achievable Goal?' | CGAP FinDev Gateway



Photo: World Bank

This new blog explores a recent diagnostic of the social payments ecosystem in Burkina Faso and the enabling and constraining factors toward its digitalization. With valuable insights for harnessing the full potential of digital safety net payments in the country and ensuring financial inclusion, the blog is a must read!

[Check it out in French here.](#)

Financing Adaptive Social Protection in Burkina Faso: Disaster Risk Financing Diagnostic



Photo: Center for Disaster Protection

Uncover important findings and actionable recommendations for enhancing the capacity to anticipate, plan for, and finance social protection responses to climate-related disaster risks in Burkina Faso with this latest report from the Centre for Disaster Protection. The report sheds new light on the crucial issue of disaster risk financing in the country.

[Read the full report and learn more here.](#)

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