Sharing and Institutionalizing lessons learned from Brazil’s Social Protection response to Covid-19

The outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic has posed to governments the double challenge of containing the dissemination of the virus and, at the same time, responding economically and socially to its impacts. Social protection systems were at the center of governments’ strategies to respond the covid crisis around the globe. Brazil has been severely affected by the pandemic, both in the number of death and in its still unfollowing economic impacts. However, the country was able to produce a rapid and robust response in terms of social protection to vulnerable people: the Auxílio Emergencial, a temporary unconditional cash transfer policy.

With great interest about the use and adaptability of social protection systems to respond crises, the World Bank, with the support of Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO – United Kingdom), has developed a research project called “Sharing and Institutionalizing lessons learned from Brazil’s Social Protection response to Covid-19” whose main goals are mapping and disseminating the Brazilian experience in implementing Auxilio Emergencial during the pandemic. The research was developed based on document analysis and interviews. The literature and documents used are available in a public library in Zotero which can be access in this link.

We are now glad to share with you the final version of our studies. Our main goal was to systematize the trajectory of Auxílio Emergencial focusing on its policy design, innovations and lessons learned that might contribute for national and international debates on social protection.

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