

Coalition for Social Investment



ABOUT US

The Coalition for Social Investment is chaired by the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) and the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB). WHO ILO and UNESCO are sponsors. The Secretariat is also hosted by these institutions.



MEMBERS

The Coalition has 14 active members that actively participate to the Coalition's meetings and work plan which meet once a month to discuss the advancements of the initial Joint Declaration on the importance of social investment from 2020. See Annex for the full list of members.



OUR OBJECTIVES

Increase the quality and the volume of social investment globally, through knowledge to increase impact, operational cooperation to increase financing in social investment, and advocacy to support strengthening access to social services (education, training, health, employment, social protection, and housing).



KEY MESSAGES

- The coalition was designed in the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic, which has shown that stronger health and **social protection systems are indispensable tools to protect individuals' health, incomes and jobs, and productive assets** in case of a shock.
- Confronted with an environmental crisis, societies all the more need to **strengthen the resilience of their social services and to build human capital**, through education, training, that will help people adapt and grab opportunities from the transition. **Transition will not be a just transition if the poorest are excluded** from these job opportunities.
- **More social investment is needed to close the financing gap**, which should come primarily from innovative and diversified sources of domestic financing. The credibility of PDBs as financiers of just transitions hinges on their ability to demonstrate the impacts of their interventions on economies and societies, including on specific groups of persons

MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS

- The Coalition is composed of three Working Group :
 - o **Climate and Health**
 - o **Social Protection, Jobs and Just Transition**
 - o **Education and Skills :**
- A toolkit for public development banks developed with the Partnership for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (PEEB) and more than 15 banks.
- The Coalition works with the UN ILO Global Accelerator to identify synergies with PDB to finance country strategic roadmap on Jobs and social protection and Just transition in the 17 pathfinder countries engaged.
- A well-attended session on 'Social Investment and Just Transition' was organized at FICS 2025 under the aegis of the Social Investment Coalition. A mix of national speakers, PDBs, MDBs, the national bank, ILO and researchers/civil society took the floor to argue in favor of social investments for social justice, human development and sustainability. The preparation of this event led to unprecedented concrete collaboration between AFD, EIB, CDP and ILO on this theme, to be consolidated within the framework of the coalition.

ROADMAP 2025

In 2025, the Coalition plans to organize two annual meetings and several events throughout the year to :

- Strengthen the vitality of the coalition and broaden its membership
- Capitalize on the impacts of BDPS funding and better disseminate them
- Identify potential opportunities for public and private co-investment: with financiers of Global Accelerator plans in countries, with the GPE, and among DBWG and C4SI members.
- Set up a concrete pool of co-financed operations supporting health and climate operations.
- Provide for contributions to FFD4 and COP30.

LIST OF MEMBERS

Association of African Development and Finance Institutions	AADFI
Agence Francaise de Développement	AFD
Banque Ouest Africaine De Développement	BOAD
Council of Europe Development Bank	CEB
European Investment Bank	EIB
Plata Basin Financial Development Fund	Fonplata
Association of Development Financing Institutions	ALIDE
Global Partnership for Education	GPE
Global Steering Group on Impact Investment	GSG
Industrial Development Bank of Turkey	TSKB
International Labour Organization	ILO
Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development	OECD
United Nations Development Programme	UNDP
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	UNESCO
World Federation of Development Financing Institutions	WFDFI
World Health Organization	WHO