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The Brazil Learning Initiative for a World Without Poverty is pleased to announce publication of its fifth [WWP Newsletter – World Without Poverty](#). This edition of the Newsletter contains a series of articles as well as an interview on the **Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)** of social policies in Brazil. It also brings news of two recent developments: the new set of [WWP Quick Question](#) videos and the **Unified Registry for Social Programs Form** translated into French.

The Newsletter also covers WWP's latest activities, with exclusive content on the Unified Registry (articles, photos, videos and lecture presentations), and provides up-to-date information on forthcoming WWP events.

Enjoy your reading!

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Highlights in this issue



We have produced three articles focused on Monitoring and Evaluation as a key strategy for **improving the management** of social programs. We suggest that you should begin by reading about [how the activities concerned with monitoring social policies in Brazil are structured](#), and learn about the role of the Secretariat for Evaluation and Information Management (SAGI), in the Ministry of Social Development and Fight against Hunger (MDS).

Our second text highlights [monitoring as a way of managing social policies](#), as well as enhancing program **effectiveness** and **transparency**.

The third article, [How it is done in Brazil: main tools for monitoring social policies](#), explains the work stages involved in developing social indicators based on monitoring dashboards and systems for **tracking social programs** in Brazil with the use of the logic model of construction.



In practice - "You need to want to make changes, and to ensure that information reaches both the beneficiaries and those whose job it is to manage the Program", according to Antonio Pereira, manager of the **Bolsa Familia Program** in the municipality of Cratú, in the dry hinterland of the state of Ceará. In an [interview with WWP](#), Pereira argues that **monitoring** health and education conditionalities based on a joint intersectoral approach by the different secretariats helped to achieve **results** that contributed to overcoming the difficulties experienced by over 8,000 Bolsa Familia beneficiary families living in the town.

New developments

The new series of **WWP Quick Question** videos presents, in a **dynamic** way, the responses of experts to important questions regarding poverty and social protection.

In the [first video](#), Joana Mostafa, Director of the MDS Unified Registry, outlines the **advantages** of a unified



registry for managing different social programs more efficiently, and with better results for the beneficiary families themselves. Joana also explains how to **consolidate** the different stand alone databases.



To complete our list of new developments we are delighted to present a [French version](#) of the Unified Registry for Social Programs form. *Bonne lecture!*

Events



On 3-4 June, the Ministry of Social Development and Fight against Hunger took the WWP to the [World Expo 2015 Milan](#), where Minister **Tereza Campello** (photo) gave a presentation on Brazil's experience of overcoming extreme poverty. See the [material](#) about this event, the corresponding [photographs](#) and the lecturers' [presentations](#).

On April 29 we organized the webinar [Unified Registry for Social Programs: the Brazilian experience](#). This seminar began with a presentation by **Joana Mostafa**, Director of the Unified Registry of the MDS, and commented by **Margaret Grosh**, Practice Manager for Latin American and the Caribbean Social Protection and Labor at the World Bank. You can find a number of relevant items on our site: [Questions and Answers](#) on the Unified Registry, the [recorded version](#) of the webinar and the abovementioned [presentation](#).

Forthcoming events – On this coming **Friday (14/8)**, the [socialprotection.org](#) platform, created with a view to facilitating knowledge exchange about social protection policies and programs between low and middle income countries, will inaugurate the first series of virtual seminars on the subject of Child Allowances.

The first edition, to be introduced by Brenton van Vrede, Acting Director General for Comprehensive Social Security in the Department of Social Development, South Africa, will be devoted to the subject of **South Africa's Child Support Grant**. The seminar is supported by the International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth (IPC-IG) and Children's Rights & Emergency Relief Organization (UNICEF). More information about this event can be found on our site (click [here](#)).

We would like to hear from you

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