HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH
The future of impact insurance
The ILO’s Impact Insurance Facility is celebrating ten years supporting the insurance industry to contribute to social and economic development. Our latest brief looks ahead to future trends and how the ILO can enable the industry to contribute to the sustainable development agenda in the coming years. We have also recently teamed up with our close partner Cenfrì, taking stock of progress made over the last decade and what should come next.

KNOWLEDGE UPDATE
Blog: can Africa show how gig workers get a fair share in the digital economy?
The digital economy and the gig economy are on a collision course in Africa, as discussed in a new note released by the Center for Global Development. This blog touches further on the challenge for gig workers in Africa’s growing digital (and informal) economy.

Emerging Insight: Designing a digital strategy
Equity Insurance Agency, one of our insurance innovation partners in Kenya, recently faced a dilemma in their digital transformation: should their initial focus be on increasing revenues or reducing costs? Find out which option they chose.

Interview with Britam: Taking stock of a decade of impact insurance
Britam is a diversified financial services group based in Kenya and a partner of the Facility since 2016. Over the last eleven years, its microinsurance business has grown significantly, now covering more than 450,000 lives. Read our interview with Dr. Benson I. Wairegi, the Group Managing Director of Britam Group, who shares his views on the development of inclusive insurance and its potential for the future.

NEWS FLASH
Knowledge-sharing session: Climate change and the role of agricultural insurance
A recent knowledge-sharing session organized by the ILO explored how a resilience-based approach to social protection, that includes insurance, can be a sustainable way to manage the impact of climate change on rural households. Click here for the presentation from our guest expert speaker and here for a brief on the same subject.

European Microfinance Week recap
At this year’s European Microfinance Week, ILO Social Finance moderated a panel discussion on the latest trends in “Capacity building for better social performance management”. At the event, Ađvans, a microfinance institution in Côte d’Ivoire, was announced as the winner of the 2018 European Microfinance Award for “Financial inclusion through technology”.

International Microinsurance Conference 2018 report
This year’s International Microinsurance Conference focused on the role of technology in driving insurance outreach. Growing use and affordability of mobile technology, and the rise of mobile payment schemes, are boosting the
The ILO's Social Finance Programme works with the financial sector to enable it to contribute to the ILO’s Decent Work Agenda. In this context, we engage with banks, microfinance institutions, credit unions, insurers, investors and others to test new financial products, approaches and processes. The Impact Insurance Facility contributes to the Social Finance agenda by collaborating with the insurance industry, governments and partners to realize the potential of insurance for social and economic development.

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