



# Social Protection, Cohesion and Conflicts

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## Executive Summary

Social policies, including social protection, can prevent people from falling into poverty and thus reduce income inequality in the economy. Fostering social and economic development, social policies can help increase trust in the ability of the government to undertake sound policies and reforms, which enhances the stability of political system. A stable political system, which does not experience internal conflicts or violence, is founded on a society characterized by social cohesion.