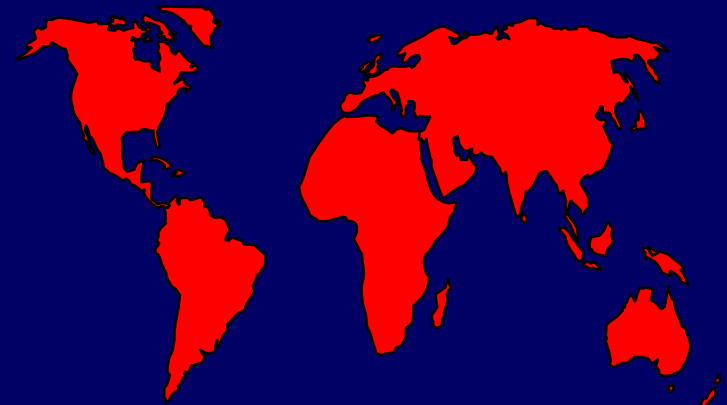




***The ILO standards
on Child Labour
in relation with the CRC
- Enforcement processes***

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What can you do against child labour?



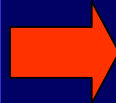
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- (3): HIV/AIDS and child labour
- Complementarity between the ILO process and the CRC
- International cooperation (technical cooperation by ILO/IPEC)
- What can be done? – especially by family law specialists?

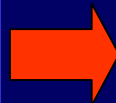
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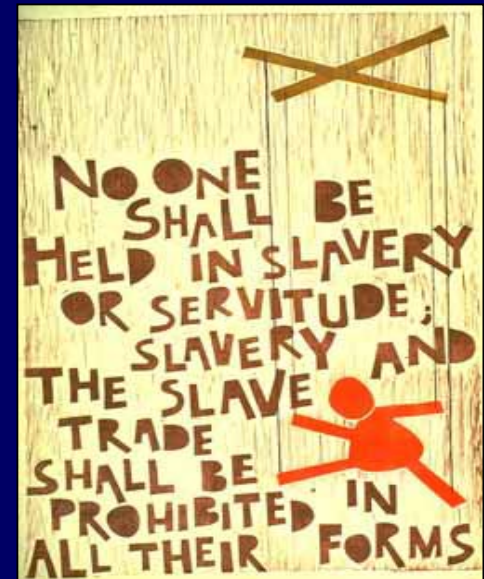


Provides that children be protected from **economic exploitation** and work that threatens their health education and development

ILO Declaration
on Fundamental
Principles and
Rights at Work



Declares the effective **abolition of child labour** as a social pillar of the global economy



ILO Minimum Age
Convention, No. 138

ILO Worst Forms of
Child Labour
Convention, No. 182

What is child labour to be abolished?

Children between the minimum age and 18				
Children between 12/13 and the minimum age				
Children below 12/13 years of age				
	Work excluded from minimum age legislation	Light work	Non-hazardous, non-light work	Hazardous work (and also other worst forms of child labour)

Shaded area = child labour for abolition

Convention No. 138

ILO Minimum Age Convention No. 138

Requires a national policy for the effective abolition of child labour (Art. 1)

Requires a specification of minimum age \geq end of compulsory education (Art. 2)

General

Exceptions for developing countries

Basic Minimum Age (Art. 2)

15 years

14 years

Hazardous work (Art. 3)

18 years
(16 years conditionally)

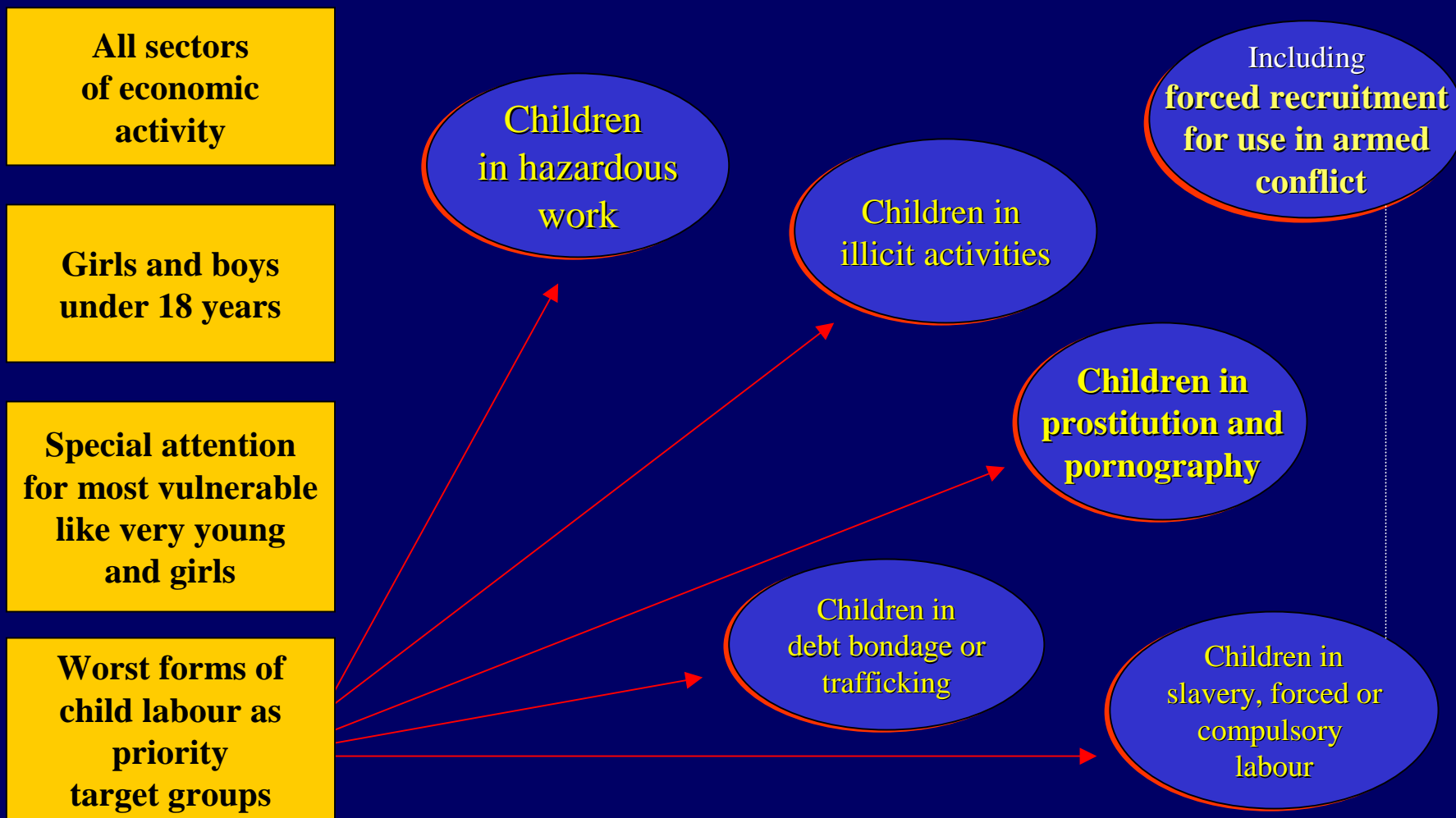
NO EXCEPTION

Light work (Art. 7)

13-15 years

12-14 years

C 182: coverage



C182: Obligations (summary)



To take immediate and effective measures to prohibit and eliminate the worst forms of child labour as a matter of urgency (Art. 1)

Determine and map hazardous work

Ratifying member States must apply the Convention

Establish monitoring mechanisms

Develop time bound measures

Design/implement programmes of action

Enhance international assistance/cooperation

ILO Regular supervisory machinery

Government reports
Employers' and workers' comments

**Committee of Experts on the Application
of Conventions and Recommendations**

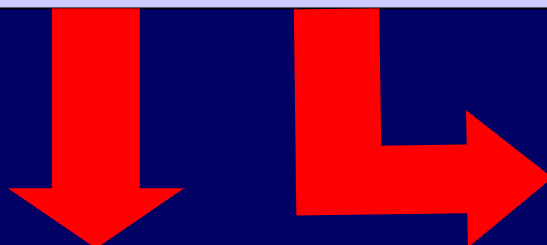
Direct requests sent
to governments

Observations published
in report III (4A)

**Tripartite Conference Committee
[Governments, employers, workers]
of the International Labour Conference**

What is the Time-Bound Programme?

Clear goals – specific targets – defined time frame



Definition:

A set of integrated & coordinated policies & programmes to prevent & eliminate a country's worst forms of child labour within a defined period of time.

- ✓ Operates at many levels: international, national, provincial, community, individual/family.
- ✓ Addresses root causes of WFCL.
- ✓ Links to national development effort.
- ✓ Emphasis on “country ownership”.

SIMPOC

Statistical Information and Monitoring Programme on Child Labour

Launched in 1998
Integral part of IPEC

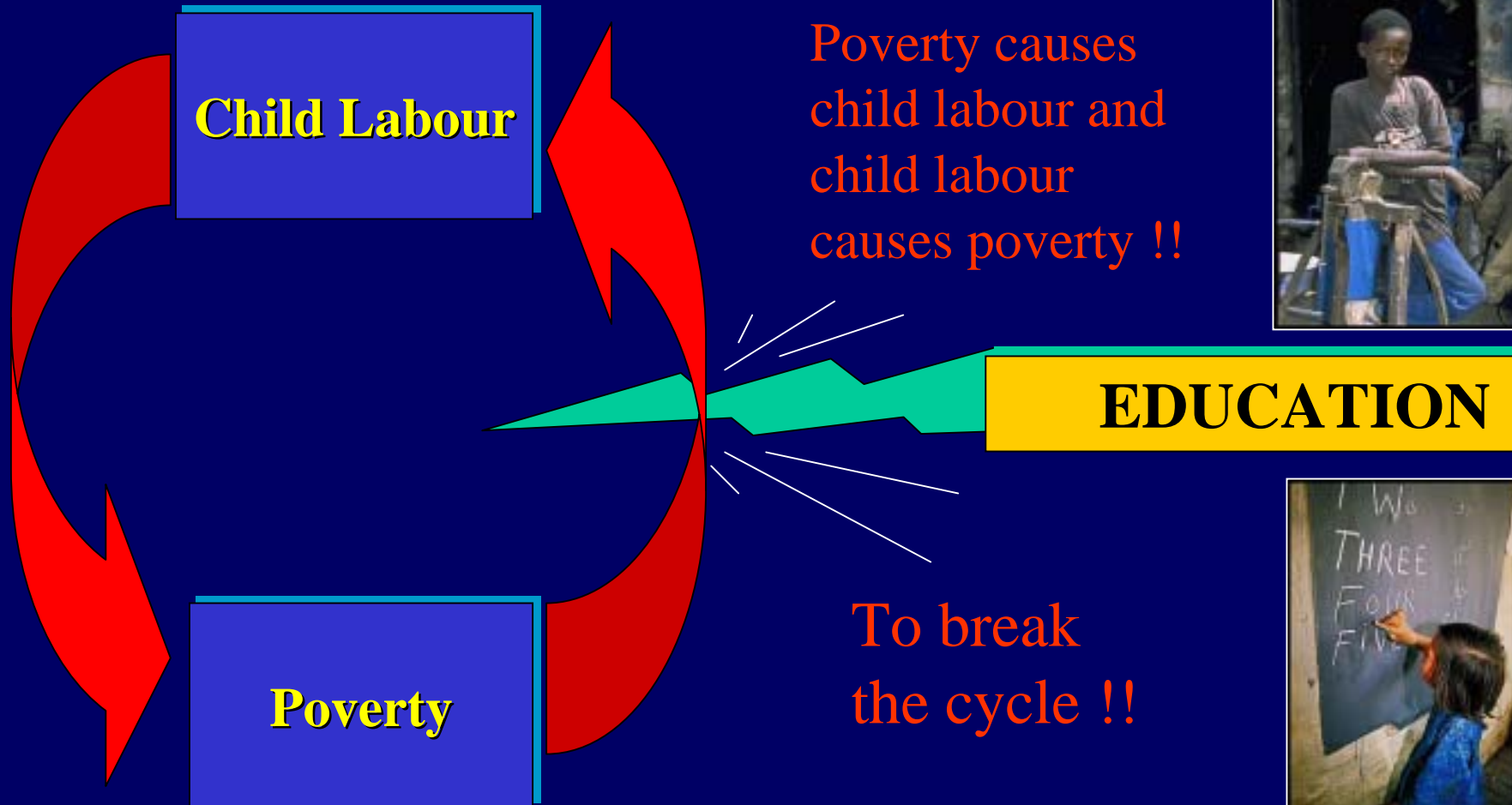
Help collecting and generating
comprehensive and comparable
quantitative and qualitative
DATA

Global Estimate 2002

246 million children
in child labour to be abolished
of whom,
186 million (aged 5-14)
and **59 million** (15-17)



Child labour and Poverty



Partners and alliances

Government, employers, workers

UN-system and IGOs,
in particular UNICEF

International and regional
development banks
(e.g. World Bank)

NGOs
(International,
regional, national
and local)

Private sector
(business)



Universities, judiciary,
media, parliamentarians,
health and religious
organizations and/or
institutions

Community-based
organizations
(local schools, doctors,
teachers, chiefs
and others)

**Family law
specialists !**

Children and
their families

A Global Cause

**Elinmination
of child labour**

**Starting with
urgent action
against
worst forms**



**Partnerships and alliances
To fill the gap between THEORY and PRACTICE**

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