

## POST COVID-19 PANDEMIC WORLD

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The COVID-19 epidemic has caused a shocking loss of life on a global scale and poses an unprecedented threat to food systems, public health, and the workplace. Tens of millions of people are at risk of living in extreme poverty as a result of the pandemic's economic and social disruption, and by the end of the year, there may be up to million more people who are undernourished. Existential danger exists for millions of businesses. The livelihoods of over half of the 3.3 billion workers worldwide are in jeopardy. Many people are unable to provide for themselves and their family during lockdowns because they lack the means of earning a living.

It's unlikely that the world of COVID-19 will ever be like the one before. The impact of the epidemic is accelerating many tendencies already present in the global economy. With the rise of digital behaviors like healthcare, delivery services, and remote learning and working, this is particularly true of the digital economy. The regionalization of supply chains and a further expansion of cross-border data flows are two more structural shifts that could speed up.

The issues of the jobs have accelerated along with it, many of them possibly increasing, including income inequality, worker vulnerability, an increase in gig labor, and the requirement for workers to adjust to changes in their line of work. This acceleration is the result of increased health and safety regulations as well as technological advancements, and it will take some time for economies and labor markets to recover and likely change as a result.

To solve the issues the health and agri-food industries are facing, leaders must create long-term, sustainable plans. Priority should be given to tackling the root causes of food security and malnutrition, combating rural poverty, particularly by creating more and better jobs in the rural economy, extending social protection to everyone, facilitating safe migration routes, and promoting the formalization of the informal economy.

The world needs to unite in solidarity and support those who are most in need, especially the growing and developing countries. Only by working together world will be able to combat the pandemic's interconnected health, social, and economic effects and stop it from worsening into a protracted humanitarian and food security crisis that could undo development progress that has already been made.

The COVID-19 global catastrophe is not the first or the final one that humanity has experienced. The world has not placed a high priority on this in recent years, but right now, it is crucial to learn from this pandemic and progress our societies to become stronger and more just. Maybe this is a wake-up call.

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