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## What is Adaptive Social Protection?

Adaptive Social Protection aims at assuring & promoting peoples' **resilience** in the face of multiple **covariant risks** induced by **natural** & climate **hazards**, through **integrating** social protection, climate change adaptation & disaster risk management. own definition, drawing on Hallegatte et al. 2017

## Why is ASP needed?

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Response to increased & more complex risks which often exceed capacities of traditional, sectoral approaches

□ Heat stress results from interplay of climate change, urbanization, demographic change, access to services, marginalization, ...

Foster coherence and seize benefits, e.g. efficiency

E.g. combined survey/registry instead of sectoral data collection/management

### How can ASP be achieved?

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> Social Protection

> > **ASP**

Climate

Change Adaptation

Disaster Risk

Management

### Best practices on ASP implementation

**Thailand**; Design tweaks to subsidies, social insurance & labour market policies to respond to fast-onset floods induced by tropical storm Nock-ten (2011)

- 65 of 76 provinces affected; 815 deaths; 2.5 million people displaced; economic damage of manufacturing sector: \$32 billion (total: 46.5 bil., ca. 70%)
- Temporary wage subsidy to enterprises that retained employees; employees entitled to receive 75 % of wages while factories stopped operations
- Increased time to register for unemployment benefits from 30 to 60 days
- temporary reduction of social insurance contributions from employers & employees from 5 to 3 %
- □ "Friends Help Friends" **supported** employees to work in unaffected businesses; ca. 13,000 employees moved to ca. 100 alternative employers