

What aspects of employment matter?

- Productivity
- Income
- Protection
- Labor force participation
- *Perceptions (e.g., respect, autonomy, competence, relatedness)*

Productivity

- **Growth rate of GDP per person (by source)**
- Elasticity of poverty reduction to employment

Income

- **Proportion of employed people living below \$1/\$2 (PPP) per day**
- Wages (and distribution thereof)
Incomes of *self-employed*.
- Seasonal variation in income

Protection

- **Share of own-account and contributing family workers in total employment**
- Protections accorded to workers
- Child labor
- Experience of work-based illness/accident or exposure to hazards

Labor force participation

- **Employment to population ratio**
- Long term unemployment

Data issues

- Careful interpretation needed
- Harmonization of household survey and LFS data, and across national accounts
- Better identification informality and the protections of different groups of workers
- Methodologies to collect data on employment: proxy vs self-reporting, self-employment income etc.