Reducing inequality goes primarily through employment generation and better income distribution. In Brazil, more than 54 million people live below the poverty level, that is, live on less than $5.5 a day. Those who live on less than $1.9 a day total over 15 million people – the level defined by the World Bank as extreme poverty. The result is that one fourth of the Brazilian population has no access to rights provided for in the country’s Constitution, such as education, public health and decent housing. To change this reality, the only solution is to invest in more inclusive and redistributive public policy.

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