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WORKSHOP

November 15 -16, 2007



Social Science
Research
Council

International Collaboration in the Social Sciences: Research and Development Agendas, Funding Policies and Partnerships

Thursday, November 15

Room Eckenstein, IUED

9.30 > 9.45

Welcome

A.-C. CLOTTU VOGEL, IUED
Josh DE WIND, SSRC

9.45 > 10.30

Introductory session

Riccardo BOCCO, IUED
Seteney SHAMI, SSRC

10.30 > 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 > 13.00

Session Two

Donor Partnerships for Research,
Development and Capacity
Building: Selected Examples

Chair: Jacqueline SCHMID
SDC, Bern

• DFID-ESRC, UK – Supporting
Research on Poverty: Lessons Learned
> Steve MORGAN

Scheme Director

• SIDA/SAREC, Sweden – Successful
Partnerships with Research Councils
in the South to Strengthen Research
and Research Capacity

> Tekaligne GODANA

Research Advisor

• UN/ECLAC – University
Partnerships: Lessons Learned in
Strengthening Research Centers and
Institutes

> Juan Carlos MORENO BRID,
Research Coordinator

1.00 > 2.30 Lunch

2:45 > 5:00

Session Three

Collaborative Research on
Development Issues: Selected
Examples

Open to the public

Chair: Gopalan BALACHANDRAN,
HEI, Geneva

• The SSRC/ICRG Experience: Migrant
Domestic Workers in the Middle East

> Annelies MOORS

ASSR-ISIM, Amsterdam

> Rima SABBAN

AWAN, UAE

• The SEPHIS Experience: From Africa
to South-East Asia

> Webby KALIKITI

University of Zambia

• The IUED-SDC-UN project in
Palestine (2001-2006)

> Riccardo BOCCO, IUED

> Jalal AL-HUSSEINI, IUED, Amman

> Fritz FROELICH, former Deputy
Director of the SDC Office in Gaza
and the West Bank

5.00 > 5.30 Coffee break

5.30 > 06.30

• Roundtable – Strengthening
Research Networks for Development

Chair: Josh DE WIND, SSRC

Presenters:

> David LIGHTFOOT

NSF, USA

> Sita RANCHOD-NILSSEN

Emory University, Atlanta

19.30 Group dinner

Friday, November 16

Auditorium Jacques Freymond, HEI

9.00 > 11.00

Session Four

Development Studies for the
21st Century: Critical Perspectives

Open to the public

Chair: Jean-Michel RODDAZ
ANR, France

• From North-South to South-
South Research Partnerships: New
Departures?

> Shamil JEPPIE

SEPHIS/University of Cape Town

• Education as an International
Development Study in the 21st
Century: Research Partnership,
Context and Capacity in the
Knowledge Policies of Agencies

> Kenneth KING,
University of Edinburgh

• Securitized Development:
International Studies and
Development Studies

> Thomas BIERSTEKER

HEI, Geneva

11.00 > 11.30 Coffee break

1.30 > 1.00

Session Five
Break Out Groups

• A. Training and Education

Chair: Alcinda HONWANA
Open University, UK

• B. Research Agendas and
Priorities

Chair: Mamadou DIOUF

Columbia University, New York

• C. Indicators for National
Capacity in the Social Sciences

Chair: Michael KAHN

HSRC, South Africa

1.00 > 3.00 Lunch

3.00 > 5.00

Concluding Session >

The Geneva Declaration of Principles



Social scientists, national funding agencies and international organizations are increasingly interested in promoting international research collaboration in social research and analysis as a means to better understanding the global interconnections of economic, social, political and cultural life and to address pressing analytical and policy issues and problems which have global and local manifestations and ramifications.

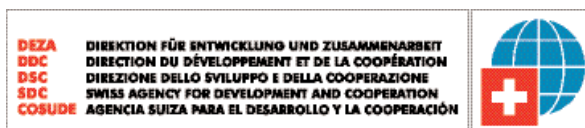
While the recognition of the importance of enabling international collaboration among social scientists has led to the creation of different programs and projects of varying duration, as well as designating special funds by certain agencies, these efforts remain based in particular countries and agencies with little communication and collaboration on an organizational and international level. Most importantly there is little sharing of the learning which arises from these efforts on the challenges as well as the promises of collaborative research in the social sciences.

The conference will explore ways for promoting international collaboration around development-oriented research, as well as viewing research collaboration and capacity building as a development goal in itself. Central to this approach would be the aim of building bridges and cooperation between funding agencies that support development efforts in the Global South with funding agencies that support social science research in both the North and South. The participants to the workshop include representatives of different funding and research organizations.

This initiative comes within an on-going collaboration between the Social Science Research Council (SSRC, New York) and the IUED and has emerged through a series of meetings organized by the SSRC (with funding from the National Science Foundation in the US and the Economic and Social Research Council in the UK).



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