

The NORHED Programme – in brief

Capacity building in higher education and research



Program at-a-glance

Program purpose: to strengthen the capacity of higher education institutions in developing countries

NORHED characteristics:

- Partnership model (south-south-north)
- Thematic sub-programmes
 - Includes: Democratic and Economic Governance
- Holistic approach
- Collaborative research
- Inclusive higher education
- Gender mainstreaming
- Policy impact and community outreach



NORHED Portfolio



6 sub-programmes



50 projects

26 LMIC countries

62 HE institutions, LMIC

13 Norwegian HE institutions

NORHED – What are the opportunities?

Project examples

1. *Strengthening Capacity for Democratic and Economic Governance in Malawi*

- First political science masters degree in Malawi
- Research on state, democracy, public policies , election
- Government employees are enrolled
- Strengthening capacity of citizens and civil society to engage in policy processes

2. *Policy and Governance Studies in South Asia*

- Strengthening teaching and research capacity in public administration in Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka
- Research on citizens' trust in public and political institutions
- Many government employees take this Master degree – and return to public administration

Outcomes:

- Joint research → Knowledge production + Publications (articles, book, policy briefs, etc)
- Dissemination → workshops, conferences, media, public debate, etc.
- Study programs → new/revised programs, improved teaching materials and methods
- Scholarships → increased/more equitable access
- More qualified graduates → better qualified workforces in public sector
- Institutional capacity → staff capacity, infrastructure and operational systems
- Increased academic reputation → providers of policy advice to government officials
- Outreach → enhanced capacity of citizens and civil society org.
- Bridging the gap between academia, policy makers and local communities

Details on project applications

Formal requirements:

- **Eligible applicants:** HE institutions
- **Prioritized countries:**
Partner countries in Norway's development policy (Meld.St. 17)
 - Colombia, Ethiopia, Ghana, Indonesia, Malawi, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Tanzania, Uganda + Sudan and Palestine
 - Africa South of Sahara
- **Project components:** education, research, infrastructure, project management and systems
- **Budgets:** max. 18mill NOK
- **Project duration:** 5 (+1) years

NORHED II:

Process:

- **New call:** end of February
- **Budget:** ca. 1 billion NOK
- **Application deadline:** June
- **Award:** November
- **Startup:** January 2021

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Assessment criteria

- Quality and relevance

Q&A

Questions?