

Annual report 2018

Norway – Global partner (NORGLOBAL) (2009-2014)

Summary

NORGLOBAL phase one received its last budget allocations in 2015. The total project portfolio in 2018 were 25 projects, including the 14 projects that had their final reports approved by the programme board in 2018. This includes the projects that NORGLOBAL has managed for the INDNOR programme and the ERAfrica programme. The finalized projects with approved reports fall within the following activities: Gender-Equality, INDNOR, Aideffect, TaxCapDev, Globmek and ERAfrica.

NORGLOBAL was established with a purpose to strengthen Norway as a global partner in research, particularly in areas that benefit the least developed countries. All projects have had one or more partners from a LMIC, and the international cooperation is considered as very good. Partners from more than 50 countries, mostly LMIC, have been involved in the cooperation during the programme period.

Primary objective for the programme

The NORGLOBAL-1 programme's primary objective has been to strengthen Norwegian research on and for development in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) and to strengthen research capacity in these countries. NORGLOBAL's activities or sub-programmes have each a separate work document. The NORGLOBAL activities shall all contribute to strengthen research in Norway on development in LMICs, strengthen research for development through the integration of development perspectives into relevant programmes, and strengthen research capacity of LMICs by enhancing research cooperation between researchers based at institutions in LMICs and leading Norwegian research institutions.

The NORGLOBAL programme was in its first phase (organised as an umbrella programme with several activities/sub-programmes). The activities in 2018 are based on the objectives and allocations from the NORGLOBAL (2009-2014). Each of the activities has their own objective and their own separate budget line.

During 2018 there were 25 projects running, included those had their final reports approved by the board in 2018.

Research on Humanitarian Policy (HUMPOL) has as its main goal to develop new knowledge in the humanitarian policy field, to establish a strong research capacity on humanitarian policy in Norway, and to engage with South-based research institutions and humanitarian organisations, with a view to shape the international humanitarian debate on humanitarian policy issues.

Tax havens, capital flows and developing countries (TaxCapDev) (2011 to 2015). The main goal has been to create new knowledge on the challenges tax havens and capital flows represent for developing countries, and strengthen the multidisciplinary research competence in this field.

The Gender and Equality (GENDER-EQ) activity is a follow up of the Action Plan for Women's Rights and Gender Equality in Foreign and Development Policy (2013–15). It aims at strengthening the participation of women in research and knowledge development, with a focus on increased participation by female researchers and thematic areas related to women's issues.

Effect of Aid (AIDEEFFECT) has as its primary objective to contribute to a more knowledge-based development policy in Norway. It shall have a forward-looking perspective, offering policy recommendations based on the experiences particularly of the past ten years.

Globalisation of Environment, Energy and Climate Research (Globmek)'s main has been to support research on globalisation of environment, energy and climate research. The activity has cooperated with other mechanisms in the RCN and EU, and all the projects finished.

CGIAR fellowships. During 2018 there were two CGIAR applications approved, however, one of the fellowships recipients declined the allocation.

Description and assessment of activities, performance and future plans

In 2018 the NORGLOBAL programme board approved 14 final reports from the NORGLOBALs first phase.

Additional four projects, from TaxCapDev and Women and Gender Equality have submitted their final reports by the end of 2018 and the beginning of 2019. These are not yet approved by the board.

The approved reports are listed below.

<i>The gender and equality activity</i>	
OsloMet/NIBR/ Berit Aasen/Guro Aandahl	Project number 217185 " Self-help or social transformation: The role of women in local governance in Kerala (India) and South Africa".
NUPI/Morten Bøås	Project number 230271 " Mapping Gender-based Violence and Access to Justice: Retraditionalization in Liberia (GENTRA)
<i>GLOBMEK</i>	
UiO/Karen O'Brien	Project number 217137 "A comparative study of socio-technical innovations and sustainability factors for up-scaling in village scale solar power supply models".

<i>ERAfrica – also partly funded from GLOBMEK</i>	
Institutt for energiteknikk/ Volodymyr A. Yartys	Project number 241352 " ERAfrica: Advanced Hydrogen Energy Systems"
International Research Institute of Stavanger AS/Peter Breuhaus,	Project number 246253 "ERAfrica: Development of an advanced power-generation with min. carbon emission from hybrid fuel supplies".
<i>INDNOR - programme</i>	
NUPI/Stein Sundstøl Eriksen	Project number 225825 "India: The state, globalization and industrial development in India: the political economy of regulation and deregulation".
NUPI/ Francesca Refsum Jensenius,	Project number 225905 "India: Politics and Development in India: A micro-level study of who gets what, when, and how".
CMI/Siri Gloppen	Project number 225948 "India: Land Rights, Environmental Protection and Inclusive Development within India's Federal System".
<i>TaxCapDev</i>	
Ulf Stridbeck/UiO	Project number 217200 (TaxCapDev) - Sustainable tax governance in developing countries through global tax transparency - DeSTaT .
<i>AIDEFFECT - Activity</i>	
CMI/Liv Tønnessen	Project number 233803 "Engineering gender equality: The effects of aid on women's political representation in Malawi, Sudan, Uganda and Zambia".
Synne Movik/NIVA	Project number 237706 "HydroAid: Effective Support for Energy and Development?"
Prio/Cindy Horst	Project number 237723 "Conflict of Interest? Business For Peace as Development Aid in Volatile Environments".

The international cooperation within the programme has been very good. All funded projects have had one or more partners from several different countries. Research organisations from more than 50 countries have been involved as partners in the NORGLOBAL activities during the programme period.

Cooperation with other programmes.

NORGLOBAL as a programme, has during the project period also cooperated with other programmes in the Research Council by funding partners from LMIC in some projects managed by other

programmes. The programme has also managed a call for the INDNOR programme on social science and the humanities, as well as having joint calls with the INDNOR programme and the Globmek activity and the Women and gender equality activity.

Results, impacts and societal outcomes

There are by the beginning of 2019 5 ongoing projects that were started in the first phase of NORGLOBAL.

TaxCapDev

Tax havens, capital flows and developing countries (TaxCapDev) has had a funding of 50 million kroner for the period 2011 to 2015. The five funded projects did all established partnership with the best research organisations globally, and the projects have regularly published policy briefs, as well as numerous articles in scientific journals. The period after the publishing of the Panama Papers and later the Paradise Papers, the research-based knowledge from these projects were sought in Norway and worldwide. By the end of 2018 all projects have submitted their final reports, however, however, two reports have not yet been presented to the board for approval. All the projects have been an important source for research-based knowledge and information and have contributed to the international debate about tax havens and capital flows.

SkattJakt

The *SkattJakt* network was established in 2015, and the objective is to facilitate dissemination, dialogue and exchange of results to many stakeholders in Norway and international. In 2017 "SkattJakt" was officially extended to SkattJakt II, which is a continuation of the network based on the original TaxCapDev-projects, in addition to Tax Justice Network Norge (TJNN) now being included in the network. The network has worked together on several events in 2018. The network has been allowed to transfer unspent funds to next year, in order to follow up activities.

HUMPOL

All the projects funded under the HUMPOL activity have been finalised, and the final report from the HUMPOL sub-programme was delivered early in 2018.

The Gender and Equality (GENDER-EQ)

The *Gender and Equality (GENDER-EQ)* activity has funded 25 projects in total. This includes co-funded projects in ECONPOP (6 projects), INDNOR programme (2 projects) and Independent projects arena (1 project) (FRIHUMSAM). In 2018 two finalized projects had their final report approved by the board. Two projects submitted their final reports early in 2019, but these are not yet presented to the board for approval.

AIDFFECT

Effect of Aid (AIDFFECT) has as its primary objective to contribute to a more knowledge-based development policy in Norway. It shall have a forward-looking perspective, offering policy recommendations based on the experiences particularly of the past ten years. Five projects have been supported. The five projects will generate new knowledge about topics such as Chinese development assistance in Africa, business for development, aid for energy projects, humanitarian aid and aid for increasing political representation of women. The last project, Prio's "Aid in Crisis" will submit the final report by the end of March 2019.

Globalisation of Environment, Energy and Climate Research (Globmek)

Globmek is a NORGLOBAL sub-programme where environmental and climate change issues are strongly represented. The main objective of GLOBMEK has been to support research on globalisation of environment, energy and climate research. Another goal is to strengthen the global aspect of other programmes in the Research Council by funding partners from LMICs in projects already funded by these programmes. All projects are carried out in cooperation with institutions in Norway and institutions in LMICs. The last allocation to Globmek was in 2013, and in total 19 projects have received funding. This includes four co-funded projects with the India programme, participation in the ERAfrica net and co-funding with the NORKLIMA, Miljø2015 programmes. The last project funded by Globmek submitted its final report in February 2018, and the report is approved by the NORGLOBAL board.

VISJON2030

The VISJON2030 initiative was launched in autumn 2014 by the Ministry of Education and Research, the Ministry of Health and Care Services and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a national brainstorming effort to foster innovative Norwegian solutions that can promote achievement of the new Sustainable Development Goals for education and health. The Formative dialogue research project "Innovation to scale?" is followed up by the NORGLOBAL programme. This project shall follow all the funded projects from this Mechanism during the entire project period. For more information see the annual report for the Vision2030 mechanism.

Thematic and scientific priority areas, sectoral and industry-related responsibilities

The NORGLOBAL programme aimed at strengthening research on development in Norway and has also had as an objective to strengthen the research capacity in developing countries. This has been done through cooperation between Norwegian researcher institutions and researcher institutions from their partner countries. Institutions from developing countries have been involved in all the funded projects, and partners from more than 50 countries have been participating in the programme, most of these from developing countries.

NORGLOBAL-1 (2009-2014) has been organised as an umbrella programme for up to 11 sub programmes. All the funded projects have targeted the development policy and the projects have aimed to disseminate their results and advices to a wider community.

Impact on research capacity

During 2018 two PhD students have been involved in the research projects, one woman and one man that are partly funded by NORGLOBAL. Nine post-doctoral fellows have been working on NORGLOBAL funded projects.

The gender balances in the ongoing projects are good. There are 2 female project leaders among the 5 remaining ongoing projects.

Quality of research/Level of innovation

The Visjon2030 mechanism's Formative dialogue research project "Innovation to scale?" will follow closely and cooperate with the four innovation projects that had their start-up early in 2017.

International cooperation

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considering as very good. All the funded projects have one or more partners from a LMIC. The importance of project participation on equal basis - from the planning to the finalizing of the projects have been emphasised by the board.

Enhancement of the research system

NORGLOBAL has since it was established in 2009 invited to cooperation with other programmes and has made funds available to strengthen other programme's cooperation with partners from developing countries. The aim has been to open for including partners from LMICs into a bigger international research society.

Communication and advisory activities

Each of the funded projects has organised several seminars and workshops where results from the research has been disseminated to the MFA, Norad and other users of the research. In addition, several of the researchers from NORGLOBAL projects have been active in the media.

Available funding and resources

The NORGBLOBAL programme's first phase ended formally in 2014, and further funding of research on international development is since 2017 taken care of by NORGLOBAL2. (2016-2023). See separate annual report for the NORGLOBAL-2 programme.

KEY FIGURES FOR NOGLOBAL (2009-2013)					
	2017	2018	Bevilgning (mill. kroner)	2017	2018
Programme board members per 31 Dec.			R&D revenues		
Øyvind Østerud/UIO			Ministry of Foreign Affairs		
Kevin Noone/Stockholm University			Ministry of science and education		
Uma Kothari/University of Manchester			Disposable budget available		
Emma Mawdsley/University of Oxford			Funding used	27	27
Henning Melber/Dag Hammarskjold Foundation			Budget transfers		
Henrik Vigh/University of Copenhagen					
Leon Tikly, University of Bristol			Programme's share of internal administration	1	1
Kjersti Thorkildsen			External administration		
Svein Bæra, observatør			Programme board's expenses, application processing		
Number of programme board meetings	2	2	Knowledge base and reports	0	
			Communication and dissemination	1	
Total number of active projects	24	10	Grand total		
Total calls for proposals, oversea fellowship, open call	1	1			
number of joint calls	0				
Number of applications received	1	1			
Number of application with a mark of 6 or 7					
Number of new projects, oversea CGIAR fellowship		1			
Number of completed projects		15	Application type		
Percentage of applications awarded funding			Researcher projects	25	8
			Other support	2	2
Number of project managers	16	10			
Number of new project managers		1	Environment	1	1
Number of female project managers	11	4	Social sciences	26	8
			Medicine and Health Sciences	1	1
			Technology	0	0
Doctoral fellows (work-years)	2				
Men	1	1	Basic research	24	
Women	1	1	Applied research	1	10
			Development activity		
Postdoctoral fellows (work-years/number of)	9				
Men	3	3	Universities and university colleges	4	3
Women	6	3	Research institutes	23	7
Doctoral degrees completed					
Men					
Women					
Scientific publications:			International cooperation	24	
Articles published in scientific/scholarly journals or series	19	21	Project collaboration	8	
Articles published in anthologies	8	5	Incoming/outgoing mobility grants		3
Monographs published	2	2	Stimulation packages		
Dissemination activities, societal impact	119		Hosting		
Reports, memoranda, articles, presentations held at meetings/conferences for project target groups		76			
Popular science publications (articles/books, books/articles in the public debate, documents formally circulated for review, exhibitions, fiction, etc.)	16	26			
New publication in the media (newspapers, radio, TV, etc.)	29	34			
Project partners					
Total within higher education sector	10	14			
Total within institute sector	22	15			