

## How to apply

The calls for proposals are arranged on an annual basis.

Institutions in developing countries should contact their partner institutions in Finland in order to discuss their potential participation in the programme. Proposals for funding can only be submitted by the coordinating Finnish higher education institution on behalf of the whole network.

Students and teachers interested in participating in the programme should contact their home institutions for more information.

Further information: [www.northsouthsouth.fi](http://www.northsouthsouth.fi)

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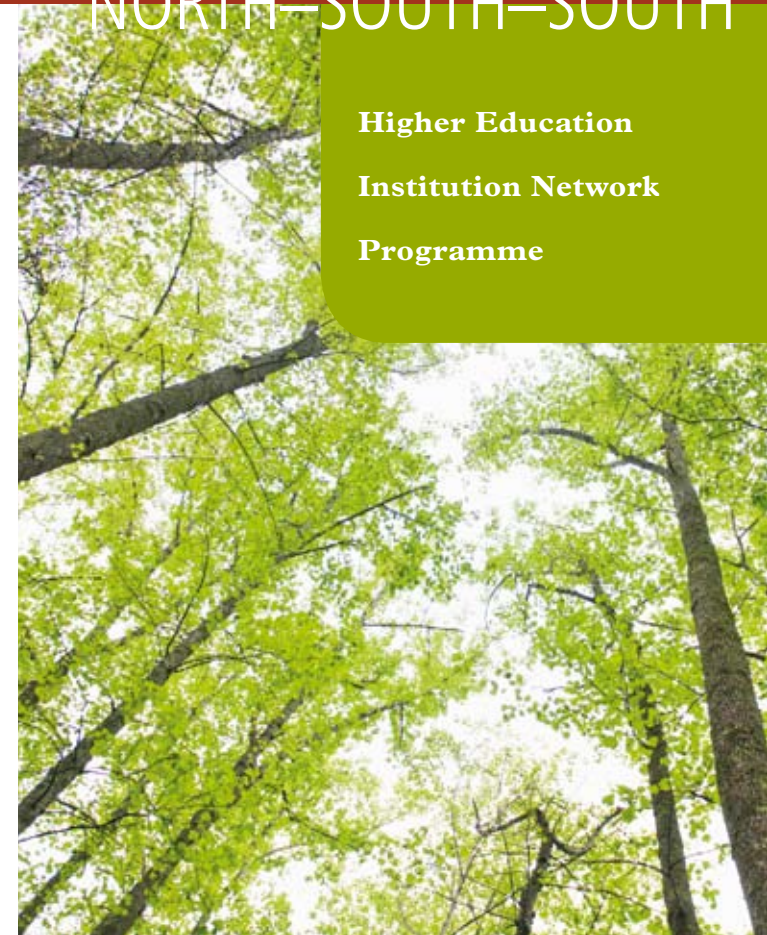
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The **NORTH–SOUTH–SOUTH** Higher Education Institution Network Programme opens up new opportunities for cooperation between higher education institutions (HEI) in Finland and in the developing countries eligible for Official Development Assistance (ODA)\*.

The goal of this programme is to enhance human capacity to ensure that people in all participating countries may better contribute to the cultural, socio-economic and political development of their communities. In order to achieve this goal the programme aims to establish long-term links and cooperation between HEI's by supporting projects involving student and teacher exchanges, and to raise the quality of education by sharing skills and information. The programme hopes to address the need for HEI's to work together also in areas other than research and make international cooperation available to a wider audience.

Eligible applicants are Finnish HEI's. Other partners in the network can be HEI's from ODA-eligible countries. In the selection process Finland's primary cooperation partner countries and regions are prioritized however.

The programme is funded by the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs. The Centre for International Mobility CIMO in Finland is responsible for the administration of the

programme, and Finnish higher education institutions are responsible for the practical running of projects together with their partner institutions.

## Contents of the NORTH–SOUTH–SOUTH programme

The NORTH–SOUTH–SOUTH programme supports the United Nations Millennium Development goals and the Development Policy of Finland, which should be reflected in the contents of projects to be funded.

The main goal of these policies is to eradicate extreme poverty in the world and to support sustainable development. Global security, increasing economic cooperation, prevention of environmental problems and the promotion of equality, human rights, democracy and good administrative practices should all contribute to achieving these goals.

Funding is provided for networks consisting of higher education institutions. One network may have one or more participating institutions from Finland and partner country/countries. The coordinator of the network is always a Finnish university or polytechnic. The focus of the programme activities is on student and teacher mobility.

\*<http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/62/48/41655745.pdf>

The programme is divided into three components:

- **RECIPROCAL STUDENT AND TEACHER EXCHANGE** between Finland and partner countries
- **JOINT INTENSIVE COURSES** at the partner country institutions in the South
- **ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE NETWORKING** between Finnish and partner country institutions; preparatory and administrative visits as well as joint network meetings.

