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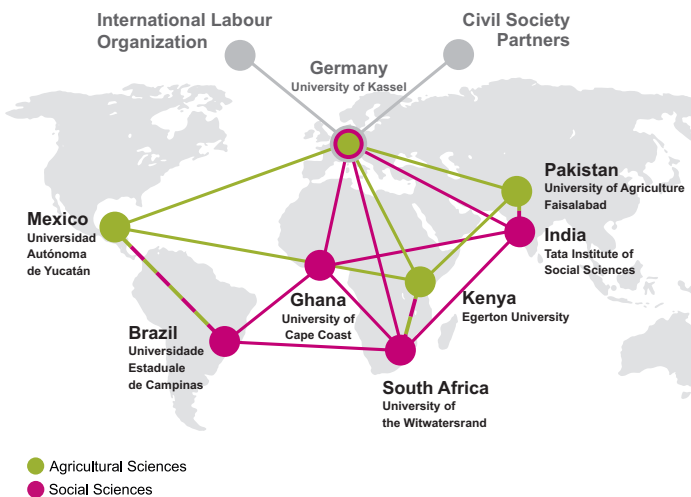
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The International Center for Development and Decent Work – ICDD

The International Center for Development and Decent Work (ICDD) is a global multidisciplinary network of eight partner universities on four continents with its head office at the University of Kassel (Germany). It co-operates closely with the International Labour Organization (ILO) and various non-governmental organizations. The ICDD contributes to the global fight against hunger and poverty through research and education on the post-MDG 2015 goals, particularly the goal to create jobs, sustainable livelihoods and equitable growth, promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all. In line with the joint FAO/ILO initiative, a special focus lies on the world's 805 million people living in rural areas faced with food insecurity.

The Global Network



International Master Programs

The ICDD offers scholarships for Master students attending the regular Master programs in Kassel and its partner institutions like the MA program Labor Policies and Globalization (LPG) and the MSc program Sustainable International Agriculture (SIA).

Graduate School of Socio-Ecological Research for Development

The ICDD's Graduate School awards scholarships for PhD candidates at all eight partner-universities. Funding is also provided for field research activities of PhD fellows and conference participation. The ICDD Graduate School offers PhD training courses on various topics including research methods and theory. A growing number of associated PhD fellows participate in the activities of the ICDD.

Research on Decent Work

While the ICDD encompasses various disciplines, among them agricultural science, political science, sociology and economics, it is strongly committed to promoting multidisciplinary research approaches to specific decent work issues

- Decent work along agricultural value chains
- Organizing the informal economy
- Extractivism and rural welfare
- Rural-urban linkages: transformation processes, livelihoods and social protection
- Rethinking development cooperation

Knowledge Transfer

The knowledge created by ICDD scholars is disseminated through Annual Thematic Conferences, Alumni Applied Research Schools, multichannel publications and active policy advice.

Ela-Bhatt Visiting Professorship

Every year the ICDD selects an outstanding researcher in the field of development and decent work as the Ela-Bhatt Visiting Professor hosted at the University of Kassel.

Faculty Mobility

The ICDD offers international South-South, South-North and North-South faculty exchange for scholars of its network.

