

International Development Summer Course



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Online Event

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Organised by:

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Objectives:

As an event focused on building knowledge, critical thinking and finding answers for questions and problems of an interdependent world, in the past two editions, the International Development Summer Course has been enabling Portuguese and international development stakeholders to engage with the trends and challenges in Global Development. In an increasingly complex international development cooperation scope, views centered on the usual categories, traditional actors, power relations that emanate from the division between “rich countries in the North” and “poor countries in the South”, are becoming obsolete and inadequate to create a new world that “leaves no one behind”. In a time when a global pandemic affects the way people connect, the way we dream of a better world, is crucial to find new types of finance for development beyond aid, global regulations and knowledge dissemination. Thus, competences such as resilience, adaptability and openness are increasingly in demand to enable the design and the implementation of innovative approaches capable of dealing with the current social, economic, cultural and political challenges. The theme of this 2021 edition “Challenging the future of Global Development” will be led by well-known development thinkers and professionals, nationally and internationally.

The International Development Course is composed by public online sessions, opened to a larger audience, where all Development practitioners and partners are invited to participate (Civil Society Organizations; Development Journalists; Development Researchers; decision makers and governmental institutions, private sector companies and associations and other relevant development actors). Translation in Portuguese and English will be available.

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Time	15 th June	16 th June	17 th June
10.00 – 12.00	1) Rethinking Development Cooperation for post-pandemic World	3) Liberal globalization paradigm in perspective: Democracy and economy	5) Trade Justice and Development: Sustainable production and consumption
14.0 – 16.00	2) Building Genuine and legitimate Partnerships	4) Financing for Development: new trends on a multiplex world	6) Public Sphere and Civic Space

SESSIONS:

1) *Rethinking Development Cooperation for post-pandemic World* 15th of June 10:00 to 12:00 (GMT+1)

Will the pandemic mark a turning point in global dynamics and development policies, or will it reinforce geopolitical trends of the past decade? The goal is to discuss whether there is an open door to reform international systems and to target nowadays most pressing challenges, such as climate change and inequalities. It would be important to reflect on a holistic approach, particularly looking at the trends' impact on the most vulnerable societies, especially looking at covid-19 effect and the humanitarian-development-peace nexus.

Opening Session:

Maria Hermínia Cabral, Director of the Gulbenkian Partnerships for Development Program

Ana Patrícia Fonseca, President of the Portuguese NGDO Platform

Luis Mah, Research Fellow at CESA - Center for African and Development Studies at ISEG-Lisbon School of Economics and Management/Universidade de Lisboa

Invited Panelists:

- Sara Pantuliano, Chief Executive, ODI

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- Jonathan Glennie, Author of *The Future of Aid*, Global Public Investment
- Moderator: Cristina Peres (Expresso)

2) ***Building Genuine and legitimate Partnerships***

15th of June

14:00 to 16:00 (GMT+1)



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Understanding how the rapid and significant changes in the global arena are reshaping international relations and how emerging global players are questioning traditional neo-colonial attitudes towards developing countries. It's important to reflect on and highlight the issue of power and power imbalances within partnerships. Looking particularly at EU-Africa Partnership, and the end of the Cotonou Agreement, the EU has the opportunity to redefine the foundations of its partnership and make this a strategic example to ensure a prosperous, peaceful and sustainable future for all.

To focus on how civil society can develop transformational partnerships particularly with the private profit sector.

Panelists:

- Carlos Zorrinho, European Parliament's Delegation to the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Paul Horrocks, Head of Unit for Private Finance for Sustainable Development at OECD
- Nana Asantewa Afadzinu, Executive Director, West Africa Civil Society Institute
- Moderator: Bárbara Reis (Público)

3) ***Liberal globalization paradigm in perspective: Democracy and economy***

16th of June

10:00 to 12:00 (GMT+1)

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To discuss the implications of a model of global governance based on a connection between economic liberalization and democracy that has been a dominant model since the end of the cold war.

To understand the role of civil society within the neoliberal economic system, critically reflecting on its' implications and proposing alternative ways that are aligned with their traditional concerns – principles of leave no one behind, human rights-based approach, etc.

Panelists:

- João Rodrigues, Centro de Estudos Sociais da Universidade de Coimbra
- Idayat Hassan, Director of the Centre for Democracy and Development
- Philani Mthembu, Executive Director at Institute for Global Dialogue
- Moderator: Paulo Agostinho (Agência Lusa)

4) *Financing for Development: new trends on a multiplex world*

16th of June

14:00 to 16:00 (GMT+1)

Greater complexity in decision making is largely linked to the emergence of more complex financing modalities. To understand new modalities and sources of financing - it is important to look at what are the basic assumptions behind blending instruments and how they are shaping the development sector. Understand the challenges that sovereign debt poses for economic development, social cohesion and human rights; new trends related with tax justice.

Panelists:

- Bruno Wenn, Chairman, European Development Finance Institutions ASBL
- Jason Rosario Braganza, Executive Director, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)
- Elsa de Morais Sarmiento, Researcher at Nova Business School of Management and Economics
- Moderator: Paulo Ferreira (Observador)

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5) Trade Justice and Development: Sustainable production and consumption

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Public policies at international level regarding Trade and Finance are essential for the effectiveness of development processes and although it encompasses very diverse and complex issues, difficult to analyze together - from commercial practices and rules, income inequalities, development financing, or fiscal justice - it is fundamental to insure an alignment and integral coherence towards sustainable development.

To understand and analyze the main challenges and (in) coherences in the interconnection between trade justice and development.

Panelists

- Sergi Corbalán, Executive Director at Fair Trade Advocacy Office
- Adrian Van Der Knaapf, Managing Director of Farm to Market Alliance
- João José Fernandes, Executive Director at Oikos
- Moderator: Giuseppe Cioffo (Corporate Regulation and Extractives Officer at CIDSE)

6) Public Sphere and Civic Space

17th of June

14:00 to 16:00 (GMT+1)

To understand the importance of reviving the public space - a more plural space where more actors interact, participate and regulate. In the face of a liberal democracy crisis, civil society faces challenges related with the reduction of the civic space or, in other words, of the public space that is traditionally the sphere of action of civil society in democracy: continuing limitation on freedom of expression, shrinking of civic space in countries in all regions, reinforced by

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covid-19 restrictions aggravated in repressive states, etc. In addition, the last few years have been the scene of both repression in the public space and revolt on a global scale, with multiple episodes of demonstration and resistance against the current status, in which citizens and social movements are the prominent actors. To reflect about the role of digitalization on mobilizing and restricting public space.

Panelists:

- Mouna Ben Garga, Innovation Lead at CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation
- Iara Pietricovsky, Co-Director at ABONG, Co-Director of INESC and President of Forus
- Hibak-kalfan, Executive Director of Network for Empowered Aid Response - NEAR
- Atila Roque, Head of Ford's Foundation Office at Rio de Janeiro
- Moderator: Ana Filipa Oliveira (Board Member at ACEP – Associação para a Cooperação Entre os Povos / Mundo Crítico)