

1.4.14. International Institutions in Development Cooperation (Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences)

Name of Module/Course	M-SD_09.12 International Institutions in Development Cooperation			
Short description	The course analyses the evolution and the current state of affairs of international development cooperation through global and regional interstate organisations. Emphasis is also given to more recent developments and the potentials of South-South cooperation in comparison to established modes of governance across the North-South divide.			
Name of Programme	M.A. Sustainable Development Management			
Name of University	Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences			
Name of Lecturer	Professor Dr. Jakob Lempp and Katharina McLarren			
Responsible University lecturer	Professor Dr. Jakob Lempp			
Credit Points	SWS	Attendance (h)	Self-study (h)	Total workload (h)
6	4			180
Start & end dates		timeslot:		
CW 15 – CW 27 (12.04 – 09.07.2021)		Thursdays 12.00 – 4.00 pm		
Registration until		Number of possible AGEP participants		
12.04.2021		10		
Content and goals of qualification	<p>The course analyses the evolution and the current state of affairs of international development cooperation through global and regional interstate organisations. Emphasis is also given to more recent developments and the potentials of South-South cooperation in comparison to established modes of governance across the North-South divide.</p> <p>A brief introduction into theoretical and conceptual backgrounds on cooperation, the role of institutions and different understandings of international organisations is followed by a discussion of such globally operating (or relevant) organisations such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNDP, the World Bank, and the OECD; • as well as more recent, supposedly “alternative” organisations such as the BRICS Bank/NDB and the AIIB. <p>In addition, various forms of regionalism across the ‘global South’ will be introduced and discussed. As a first step, the relevant concepts and theoretical models of regional integration are discussed with a particular emphasis on matters of socio-economic development. At the centre of attention is a political- economic analysis of selected regional agreements with a particular emphasis on regionally bound notions and strategies of development.</p> <p>Upon successful completion of the module, students will be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • discuss the most important international organisations in development cooperation, both in global and regional terms; students will know their aims, competencies and their importance with respect to international development cooperation; • analyse strengths and weaknesses of these interstate development 			

	<p>organisations and organisations with a development mandate/unit;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • critically assess the positive and negative aspects of the mentioned international organisations and their programs; students can propose solutions on how to increase their problem-solving capacities, their efficiency towards a given aim, as well as considerations of fairness and legitimacy. <p>As regards developmental regionalism, students will have acquired</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a basic understanding of various regional integration processes in a historical and global context; • the means to analyse regional integration projects, in particular in their emphasis on matters of development; moreover, they will be able to contrast various regional experiences and differing approaches to development within selected regions; • an understanding of how to evaluate development-related strategies and their performance against the background of specific regionally bounded conditions.
Preconditions for participation	None
Teaching Methods	Lectures; blended learning; seminar discussions
lesson format (online/face-to-face)	Online with live and asynchronous elements
Assessment method	Scientific presentation and term paper (on the same topic)
language	English
Inscription external student	Via e-mail to: <i>SDM-FGO@hochschule-rhein-waal.de</i>