

international graduate school north-south

on global change, innovation, and sustainable development



Mission: The IGS North-South is dedicated to establishing a leading international research network that analyses the impacts of global change and with a view to advancing sustainable development worldwide. It emphasises an integrative, partnership-based research approach encompassing higher education at the PhD level, innovation, and application. The IGS North-South is currently training about 40 students from eight regions in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Europe.

Organisation: The IGS North-South is the successor of the National Centre of Competence in Research (NCCR) North-South. It is based on an inter-university agreement between the universities of Bern, Basel, and Zurich in Switzerland and selected cooperation agreements with leading universities from countries in the South and the East. IGS North-South PhD students may attend courses offered by the school's partner universities. An IGS North-South certificate will supplement the degree they receive from their home institution.

**Partnership Network of the NCCR North-South
in 8 regions worldwide**

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In order to provide appropriate training, the IGS North-South offers disciplinary, inter-disciplinary, and transdisciplinary courses. Each student must complete 12 credits (ECTS) in the following research areas:

- Institutions, Livelihoods, Conflicts
- Health, Services, Planning
- Natural Resources, Economy, Governance



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