Funding sources
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This document contains an AUCC-prepared list of funding sources for international collaboration available to Canadian faculty and researchers.¹

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**North-South Institute and Canadian Council for International Cooperation, 2013**


Annex I is a list of donors reviewed and their policies

The international development community is increasingly looking to the private sector as key partner for achieving sustainable development results. Despite this trend, donor policies for engaging the private sector have received very little comparative analysis. In January 2013, the Canadian Council for International Cooperation, in collaboration with The North-South Institute, released a new report which identifies emerging themes in bilateral donor policies around the private sector. It compares and contrasts donor approaches, unpacks old and new assumptions, and sheds light on the many ways in which donors are now seeking to partner with the private sector.

**The management of international development projects: enhancing sustainable outcomes with improved project management education and training**

Maastricht School of Management, 2013 [http://www.msm.nl/getattachment/e95afc18-d64a-4c80-8bed-99c86994ecc2](http://www.msm.nl/getattachment/e95afc18-d64a-4c80-8bed-99c86994ecc2)

This paper is focused on the management of international development projects. The primary aim is to put forward innovative new ideas for project management education and training in the light of the current realities of development projects. The paper addresses projects that cover the provision of technical expertise, rather than infrastructural development and supplies, as funded by the European Union, World Bank or
bilateral donors such as USAID, the Netherlands Government and DFID. The paper provocatively examines current problems in the field, highlighting some general success and failure factors, and then considers some interesting cases of innovation using new learning technologies and learning designs.

**Funders**

**Aga Khan Development Network**  
http://www.akdn.org/  

The agencies of the AKDN are private, international, non-denominational development organisations. They work to improve the welfare and prospects of people in the developing world, particularly in Asia and Africa, without regard to faith, origin or gender. Its programmes are designed to bring a critical mass of economic, social and cultural activities to gear on a given area.

**Agence Française de Développement**  

Agence Française de Développement (AFD) is a financial institution and the main implementing agency for France’s official development assistance to developing countries and overseas territories. It finances projects, programs and studies through grants, loans, guarantee funds and debt reduction-development contracts and provides capacity development support to its partners in developing countries.

**The Asia Foundation**  
http://asiafoundation.org/  

The Asia Foundation is a non-profit, nongovernmental organization committed to the development of a peaceful, prosperous, just, and open Asia-Pacific region. The Foundation supports Asian initiatives to improve governance and law, economic development, women's empowerment, the environment, and regional cooperation. Drawing on nearly 60 years of experience in Asia, the Foundation collaborates with private and public partners to support leadership and institutional development, exchanges, and policy research.

**AusAid – Grants and other opportunities**  

The Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID) is the Australian Government agency responsible for managing Australia's overseas aid program. AusAID is an Executive Agency within the Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio and reports to the Minister for Foreign Affairs. The fundamental purpose of Australian aid is to help people overcome poverty.

**Canada Foundation for Innovation**  
http://www.innovation.ca/en  

The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) strives to build our nation's capacity to undertake world-class research and technology development to benefit Canadians.
Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
Funding opportunities
http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/779.html

Canadian Society for International Health
http://www.csih.org

The Canadian Society for International Health (CSIH) is a national non-governmental organization that works domestically and internationally to reduce global health inequities and strengthen health systems.

Carnegie Foundation
Grants
http://carnegie.org/grants/

Carnegie Corporation of New York is a proactive grant maker. Program staff identify organizations to implement projects designed to help the foundation attain its various programmatic goals. Our aim is to invest in innovative projects that can have measurable impact and can create meaningful, transformative change.

Climate Funds Update
http://www.climatefundsupdate.org

An independent website that provides information on the growing number of international funding initiatives designed to help developing countries address the challenges of climate change.

Danish International Development Agency - DANIDA Fellowship Centre
http://www.dfcentre.com/

DFC has specialised in supplying courses and training for Danida’s programmes and projects. DFC also administers support for development research.

Earthwatch Institute
http://www.earthwatch.org/aboutus/research/

Earthwatch supports long-term scientific field research projects in four key areas: Ecosystem Services, Climate Change, Oceans, and Cultural Heritage.

Environment Canada

Environment for Development Initiative
http://www.efdinitiative.org

The Environment for Development initiative is a capacity building program in environmental economics focusing on research, policy advice, and teaching in China, Central America, Ethiopia, Kenya, South Africa, and Tanzania.
Europe Aid
http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/how/index_en.htm

The Commission's EuropeAid cooperation office implements the funding instruments for external assistance in the frame of the 2007 to 2013 financial perspectives. The overall goal of these instruments is the eradication of poverty in partner countries and regions in the context of sustainable development. Based on strategy papers and annual action programmes, EU funding is delivered through budget support, grants and contracts.

Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada

- Canadian Francophonie Scholarship Program
  http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/scholarships-francophonie
- Canadian Trade Commissioner Service
  http://www.tradecommissioner.gc.ca/eng/our-services.jsp
  The TCS can assist you with the commercialization of Canadian innovations abroad, assist for sourcing innovative technologies and partnerships, and financial support through various funding mechanisms in order to increase the Canadian innovation capacity.
- Funding for International Development Projects
  http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/workingwithcida
- Global Citizens Program
- International Aboriginal Youth Internships Initiative
  http://www.cida.gc.ca/iayi
- International scholarships
- Partners for development Program
- Partnerships with Canadians Programs
- Programme des partenaires pour le développement

Ford Foundation
Grants
http://www.fordfoundation.org/grants

Requests are accepted in categories such as project planning and support; general support; and endowments. Types of support include grants, recoverable grants, loans and loan guarantees.

Foundation Center
http://foundationcenter.org/

A U.S. leading authority on philanthropy, connecting nonprofits and the grantmakers supporting them to tools they can use and information they can trust. The Center maintains the most comprehensive database on U.S. grantmakers and their grants — a robust, accessible knowledge bank for the sector. It also operates research, education, and training programs designed to advance philanthropy at every level.
Fulbright Grant Information
http://www.fulbright.org/

The Fulbright Association is a private, nonprofit organization whose members are Fulbright Program alumni and friends of international education. The Association supports and promotes international educational and cultural exchange and the ideal most associated with the Fulbright name -- mutual understanding among the peoples of the world.

Global Development Network
https://www.gdnet.org/xml_rendering_engine/cwe_page_renderer.gdnet?id=all_researchers&start_record=0

GDN works in collaboration with eleven regional partners. Eight regional partners are based in developing and transition countries and three in developed countries. GDN partners with various international donor organizations and governments, and is a worldwide network of research institutes, academic institutions, think tanks and more than 8,000 individual researchers worldwide. These networks help in supporting the five core activities of GDN, which together serve the goals of building research excellence, promoting networking, expanding outreach and shaping global policy debates in developing and transition countries.

Government of Canada – Grand Challenges Canada
www.grande challeng es.ca

Grand Challenges Canada, an independent, not-for-profit organization, was created to be the primary delivery vehicle for this fund and works with its consortium partners - the International Development Research Centre and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. Grand Challenges Canada is dedicated to supporting bold ideas with big impact in global health. We are funded by the Government of Canada and we fund innovators in low- and middle income countries and Canada.

The Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation
http://www.hfg.org/rg/guidelines.htm

The foundation welcomes proposals from any of the natural and social sciences and the humanities that promise to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence and aggression. Highest priority is given to research that can increase understanding and amelioration of urgent problems of violence and aggression in the modern world.

Health Canada – Science and Research Funding

Higher Education for Development
http://www.hedprogram.org/

(HED) works in close partnership with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and operates with the advice and counsel of the six major presidential higher education associations to support the engagement of higher education in development issues worldwide. HED manages innovative partnerships that join U.S. colleges and universities with institutions of higher learning in developing nations. In this way, we support and facilitate the engagement of U.S. higher education in global development.
Inter-American Foundation
http://www.iaf.gov/

The Inter-American Foundation carries out its mandate by responding with grant support for the most creative ideas for self-help received from grassroots groups and nongovernmental organizations. It also encourages partnerships among community organizations, business and local government directed at improving the quality of life for poor people and strengthening democratic practices.

International Development Research Centre – Funding
http://www.idrc.ca/EN/Funding/Pages/default.aspx

IDRC supports research in developing countries to promote growth and development. We pursue that goal by funding research focused on reducing poverty and creating equitable access to resources and services. We support work that promotes good governance and builds strong policies. The applied research we back directly addresses existing or emerging problems in developing countries.

Japan Foundation Centre
http://www.jfc.or.jp/eibun/index.html
List of foundations - http://www.jfc.or.jp/eibun/index.html

The Japan Foundation Center is a private foundation established by executives of private grant-making foundations in Japan (1) to provide authoritative information on foundations in Japan that award grants, prizes, or scholarships and (2) to publicize the social role and significance of the activities of private grant-making foundations to encourage the practice of philanthropy in Japan's private sector.

Japan International Cooperation Agency
http://www.jica.go.jp/english/

JICA aims to contribute to the promotion of international cooperation as well as the sound development of Japanese and global economy by supporting the socioeconomic development, recovery or economic stability of developing regions.

Kellogg Foundation
Grants

The foundation lends support to hundreds of committed community-based and national organizations, focusing significant resources on three places where children face especially tough challenges. We believe that our support of grassroots organizations in those locations can improve the lives of children. We also work with larger coalitions, providing leadership and funding to help them expand their reach and influence.

MacArthur Foundation
http://www.macfound.org/

International Programs focus on international issues, including human rights and international justice, peace and security, conservation and sustainable development, higher education in Nigeria and Russia, migration, and population and reproductive health.
National Research Council – Industrial Research Assistance Program

IRAP is Canada's premier innovation assistance program for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada – Program guides

- Networks of Centres of Excellence
  http://www.nce-rce.gc.ca/index_eng.asp

Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD)
http://www.norad.no/en/

Norad works with Norwegian companies, government agencies and a number of different development assistance and cultural institutions. Most of this cooperation takes place through a variety of support schemes. Each year, Norad announces funding for research and institutional cooperation between Norwegian research institutions and research institutions in developing countries. Norad is also responsible for providing support for international organisations.

Open Society Foundations – Grants
http://www.soros.org/grants

Many Open Society Foundations programs engage proactively to identify organizations whose efforts closely correspond to our strategies. While we predominantly fund preselected organizations, some programs encourage submission of letters of inquiry or publish funding guidelines for grant seekers. Our scholarship and fellowship programs in particular actively solicit applications from individuals who satisfy the defined selection criteria.

Rockefeller Brothers Fund
Grantmaking process
http://www.rbf.org/grants_grantees

Advances social change that contributes to a more just, sustainable, and peaceful world. The RBF’s grantmaking is organized around three themes: Democratic Practice, Peacebuilding, Sustainable Development, and three pivotal places: New York City, Southern China, and the Western Balkans.

The Rockefeller Foundation
Resources for grant seekers
http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/grants/resources-grantseekers

We support work that enables individuals, communities, and institutions to access new tools, practices, resources, services, and products. And we support work that enhances their resilience in the face of acute crises and chronic stresses, whether manmade, ecological, or both.
Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute

Grants, awards and opportunities
http://www.sici.org/grants/

The Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute is a binational organization that promotes understanding between India and Canada through academic activities and exchanges.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)

Applying for funding

Social Science Research Council (U.S.) - Programs
http://www.ssrc.org/programs/

“With partners around the world, we build interdisciplinary and international networks, link research to practice and policy, strengthen individual and institutional capacities for learning, and enhance public access to information. We award fellowships and grants, convene workshops and conferences, conduct research and participate in research consortia, sponsor scholarly exchanges, and produce print and online publications.”

Society of Research Administrators International

Government and private funding information
http://www.srainternational.org/sra03/grantsweb/index.cfm

Stars Foundation
http://www.starsfoundation.org.uk/

This UK foundation aims to find and invest in outstanding local organisations that transform the lives of children in Africa, Asia and the Middle East. Through our Impact Awards and Impact Partnerships we are committed to helping already effective charities become even stronger by enhancing their capacity to deliver vital services on the ground. By supporting these organisations and recognising the deep impact they are having on the lives of some of the world’s most vulnerable children, we hope that the Awards will inspire others to achieve similar standards of excellence.

Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency – Research cooperation
http://www.sida.se/English/Partners/Universities-and-research/Applying-for-research-support-do-you-qualify/

The main recipients of support include research organisations, universities and research institutes in partner countries, regional research networks and international research programmes. Sida also supports research activities in Sweden relevant to developing countries.
Third World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) – Programs
http://twas.ictp.it/prog

TWAS is an autonomous international organization based in Trieste, Italy. Its principal aim is to promote scientific capacity and excellence for sustainable development in the South.

UNESCO Fellowships

UK Department for International Development
- Funding opportunities http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Working-with-DFID/Funding-opportunities/
- Development tracker http://devtracker.dfid.gov.uk/

US Aid
http://www.usaid.gov/work-usaid/partnership-opportunities

USAID partners with organizations through a grant or cooperative agreement (also referred to as "grants" or "assistance") or a contract, depending on the type of work and the Agency's involvement.

World Bank
Bank funds for civil society organizations

Available grants

Online directories and resources

Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research
http://www.ccghr.ca/

CCGHR is a not-for-profit organization promoting better and more equitable health worldwide through the production and use of knowledge, with an orientation toward health research challenges in low and middle-income countries to reduce health disparities

Charity Village – Funders
https://charityvillage.com/directories/funders.aspx

This page contains links to online databases and directories of funding agencies and foundations of interest to Canadian individuals and organizations, plus online tools and resources of value to those involved in prospect research and other areas of fundraising.
**Climate change - Multilateral and Bilateral funding sources**

http://unfccc.int/cooperation_and_support/financial_mechanism/bilateral_and_multilateral_funding/items/2822.php

**Convention on Biological Diversity Web site – finding international resources**

http://www.cbd.int/financial/international.shtml

**COS - PIVOT**

*Requires paid subscription*

http://fundingopps.cos.com/cgi-bin/country/sponsor/main?country_id=4

“For years, COS has been recognized as a global leader that provides unmatched tools for discovering funding opportunities and supporting the collaboration in the research development field. Pivot answers the growing demands on research developers to quickly discover the right funding opportunities and effectively collaborate with their colleagues.

Pivot combines the most comprehensive, editorially maintained database of funding opportunities worth an estimated $33 billion with our unique database of 3 million pre-populated scholar profiles. … This allows users to search for a funding opportunity and instantly view matching faculty from inside or outside your institution. Conversely, a search for a scholar will link to matching funding opportunities.”

**Development Gateway**

http://www.developmentgateway.org/

Development Gateway is a non-profit organization that delivers information solutions to the people on the front lines of international development work. Whether they are government policy makers deciding how to invest scarce resources, aid workers building schools and clinics, or citizens who want to have a voice in the development process, Development Gateway offers tools and advisory services that empower them to be more effective.

**Devex**

*Requires registration fee*

http://www.devex.com/en/projects

Devex serves a global community of 500,000 development professionals and one thousand donors and organizations

**Directory of social change**

*Funding resources*

http://www.dsc.org.uk/Publications/Fundraisingsources

DSC is an independent British charity with a vision of an independent voluntary sector at the heart of social change. We also publish a wide variety of resources for charities, including our well known UK fundraising guides, directories and websites.
FundsforNGOs.org
http://www.fundsforngos.org/
An online initiative, working for the sustainability of NGOs by increasing their access to donors, resources and skills. The site provides useful updates on funding opportunities and key donors.

The Grantsmanship Center
*Foundations and corporate giving programs* - List of funding sources in Canada

http://www.tgci.com/fundingcanada.shtml

Funding Sources: Mexico, Central America, Caribbean, and South America
http://www.tgci.com/fundingmexico.shtml

Grants.gov
http://www07.grants.gov/index.jsp

A U.S. central storehouse for information on over 1,000 grant programs and provides access to approximately $500 billion in annual awards.

**International Development Research Centre (IDRC):**

- Compendium of Funding Opportunities for Research, Education, and Development Projects in Latin America, 2009
- Africa Compendium of Funding Opportunities for Research, Education and Development Projects, 2009
- Asia Compendium of Funding Opportunities for Research, Education and Development Projects, 2009
- Compendium for Fellowships and Scholarships Opportunities, 2009

**International Donor Agencies & NGOs**

Aid Effectiveness Forum – list of links to donors

**Latin America Donor Index - Alphabetical Index**
http://www.lacdonors.org/organizations

The Latin America Donor Index is the result of a fruitful collaboration between AVINA and the Office of Outreach and Partnerships of the Inter-American Development Bank. Together these two institutions have pooled resources to build the Latin America Donor Index so non-profits and donors alike can identify potential allies.

**Michigan State University**
*International and Foreign Grant Makers*
http://staff.lib.msu.edu/harris23/grants/privint.htm
National Endowment for Democracy

This funding database contains information on over 100 philanthropic organizations that provide funding, fellowships and awards for those working in the area of international democratic development.

NIDOS international development funding directory (Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland)

Funding directory

NonProfitExpert.com

International grants
http://www.nonprofitexpert.com/international.htm

Ontario Public Health Libraries Association

Funding Opportunities: List of International Agencies
http://www.ophla.ca/pdf/FundingOpportunitiesListOfIntlAgencies.pdf

Participatory Avenues - Funding opportunities for NGOs, non-for-profit and researchers
http://www.iapad.org/funding_sources.htm

Science magazine’s list of funding sources - Science magazine’s Careers section offers links to information on funding sources
http://sciencecareers.scientificamerican.com/funding

Science and Development Network - Grants section
http://www.scidev.net/en/grants/

A list of grants relevant to science, technology and the developing world

Team Canada Inc. - Guide to ID project bidding

This Guide to International Development Project Bidding seeks to present a comprehensive, practical roadmap to pursuing international development business opportunities in projects funded by Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), United Nations agencies, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), foreign bilateral development agencies, and other international development funding sources.

Terra Viva Grants
http://www.terravivagrants.org/Home

An information directory of international grant funding for agriculture, energy, environment, and natural resources in the developing world
World Bank - Guide to Resources for NGOs and Other Organizations of Civil Society

Wikipedia list of national and international aid agencies

Wikipedia list of international development agencies

Print Resources

- Canadian directory to foundations and grants / Canadian Centre for Philanthropy
  ISSN: 1490-764X

- Canadian directory to foundations and corporations / Imagine Canada
  Online database requiring subscription: http://www.imaginecanada.ca/?q=en/node/22

- Canadian subsidy directory: subsidies, grants, loans, general help / MG Publishing

- Guide to Funding for International & Foreign Programs, 10th ed. 2010 / The Foundation Center
  http://foundationcenter.org/marketplace/catalog/product_directory.jsp?prodId=prod10079&navCount=2&navAction=push

- Scholarships, Fellowships and Loans: a guide to education-related financial aid programs for students and professionals / Gale Group
  ISSN: 1058 5699