

What is Sida Partnership Forum?

Sida Partnership Forum is an arena for learning and meetings. At Sida Partnership Forum partners can:

- exchange experiences
- develop ideas and methods
- build competence and capacity
- create synergies for collaboration

Who are Sida Partnership Forum's target groups?

Sida Partnership Forum welcomes representatives who are interested in international development co-operation from:

- the private sector
- state authorities
- the public sector (municipalities, county councils and regional governments)
- researchers
- civil society

Our values

Our activities are characterised by:

**knowledge
competence
contacts
quality
creativity**

What can Sida Partnership Forum offer?

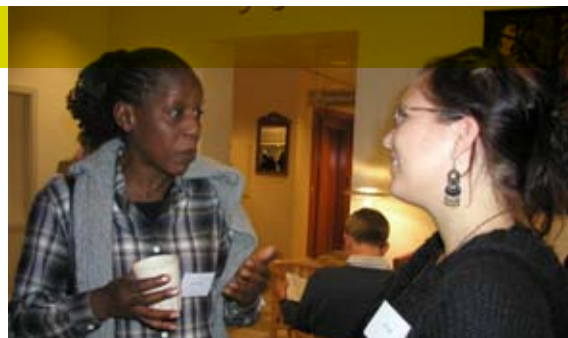
We contribute with expert knowledge to development partners who want to enhance their understanding, expertise and competence in international development co-operation in areas such as:

- intercultural meetings and communication
- sustainable development
- gender issues
- anti-corruption
- conflict management
- HIV/AIDS
- humanitarian action
- project planning and result-based management
- organisational development

Our Goal

To strengthen development partners in their meeting with other cultures.

Partners who are interested in co-operation with other countries are better equipped and prepared if they are given the opportunity to exchange experiences, competence and methods and also test their ideas – regarding both culture and practice.



How does Sida Partnership Forum work?

- Unique training programmes, courses, workshops and seminars.
- A professional pedagogical platform.
- Learning activities that are characterised by commitment, challenge and respect.
- Swedish and international lecturers recognised as having front edge competence in the area of development co-operation and aid.

We welcome the joint participation of Swedes and their partners from other countries in order to achieve successful and greater mutual benefits for all. And we appreciate having dialogue with our target groups in order to learn more about their needs and expectations.

The length of an activity is usually between two and five days. We receive between 5–90 participants. We are also able to accommodate groups that want to arrange their own functions. They can utilise all – or parts of – the establishment themselves.

What does successful co-operation between the North and the South look like?

India

Manufacturing companies in Hyderabad, India, needing knowledge and technology for treating contaminated waste water. IVL – the Swedish Environmental Research Institute contributes overall solutions and expertise that open the door for Swedish environmental technology companies on the Indian market.

South Africa

Since the end of the 1990s Gothenburg and Nelson Mandela Bay have been cooperating closely in business, local economy, equality and democracy. The university and colleges, the private sector, and the public sector have all cooperated in many different areas regarding these issues.

Vietnam

Lund University Hospital has begun co-operation with a children's hospital in northern Vietnam that will continue for six years. The goal is to develop health care so that more children in the area can survive difficult forms of cancer. At the same time Swedish doctors get to meet patients and do research that is not possible in Sweden as certain diseases are rare here.



Where is Sida Partnership Forum located?

Sida Partnership Forum is a modern training facility situated in a peaceful park in central Härnösand, in the middle of Sweden.

Would you like to access our range of activities some other place in Sweden or the world? Discuss your needs with us. We also have the possibility of using e-learning and Internet in our activities.

Aid of the future

More resources are allocated into supporting co-operation that is built on mutual interest and shared responsibility. This in turn shall lead to long-term self-supporting relations. We call it partner driven co-operation. The objective is to create a "win-win-win" situation whereby three groups benefit: the people in poverty, those participating in projects in partner countries and those involved in Sweden.

Interested?

Please contact the director of studies at Sida Partnership Forum if you would like to know more or to discuss ideas and your training needs. Telephone 08-698 50 00 or visit us at www.sida.se

Sida works according to directives of the Swedish Parliament and Government to reduce poverty in the world, a task that requires cooperation and persistence. Through development cooperation, Sweden assists countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America. Each country is responsible for its own development. Sida provides resources and develops knowledge, skills and expertise. This increases the world's prosperity.

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– where good ideas meet