THE MASTER’S CURRICULA

CORE CURRICULUM

- Economics and Development Economics
- Project Design and Management
- Development issue and tools
- Field Training and Final Thesis

On top of this, each Master Program has its own specificity, meeting the needs of local geographical and socio-political contexts, tackling and deepening the main development issues of the different countries and regions.

Higher education is a public good designed also to train local leaderships, thanks to a number of sponsors. Merit-based scholarships to students with economic constraints are offered.

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH

CDN is part of a wider network of institutions dealing with development topics:

- Human Development and Capabilities Association (HDCA)
- European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes (EADI)
- Network on Humanitarian Action (NOHA)
- COIMBRA Group Universities
**COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT NETWORK**

The CDN is a network of post graduate education programs in cooperation and development whose aim is to train professionals on different issues about economics, cooperation and human development. The different programs involve international students coming from different academic and social backgrounds.

**WHERE WE ARE**

The CDN offers qualified academic initiatives all over the world, namely:

- **ITALY**, Pavia, Master in Cooperation and Development (CD)  
  www.unipv.it/cdn

- **PALESTINE**, Bethlehem, Master in Cooperation and Development (MICAD)  
  www.micad.bethlehem.edu

- **COLOMBIA**, Cartagena de Indias, Escuela Latinoamericana de Cooperación y Desarrollo (ELACID)  
  elacid.usbcartagena.edu.co

- **NEPAL**, Kathmandu, Master in Cooperation and Development (MICD)  
  www.micd.edu.np

- **KENYA**, Nairobi, Master in Economics, Cooperation and Human Development (MEOCHD)

**PARTNERS**

The CDN, launched in 1997 in Pavia with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs-General Directorate for Cooperation and Development and the Ministry of University and Research, counts nowadays on a number of worldwide partner institutions:

- **University of Pavia**, together with CICOPS Centre for International Cooperation and Development, Italy www.unipv.it
- **IUSS** - Institute for Advanced Study in Pavia, Italy www.iusspavia.it
- **CISP** - Development of peoples, Italy www.cisp-ngo.org
- **COOPI** – International Cooperation, Italy www.cooopi.org
- **VIS** – International Volunteer Service for Development, Italy www.volint.it
- **University of Bethlehem**, Palestine www.bethlehem.edu
- **Universidad de San Buenaventura**, Colombia www.usb.edu.co
- **Kenyatta University**, Kenya www.ku.ac.ke
- **Mid-western University**, Nepal mwu.edu.np

**VISION AND AIM**

Development is a multi-faced phenomenon. The CDN provides the participants with the opportunity to achieve the highest professional standards in interpreting and managing the complexities of the dynamics of the development processes. But how?

**THEORY AND PRACTICE**

The CDN training is focused on a multidisciplinary approach to development and combines academic disciplines such as economics, history and human studies.

Thanks to a long-term partnership, development professionals from NGOs and International Organizations offer a wide range of theoretical and practical experiences of project management.

Field experience is an essential aspect in understanding development; a period of internship is thus considered a major component within the Program.

**DOING THIS TOGETHER**

- Cooperation is not just about aid it is about sharing experiences. Within the CDN public and private institutions work together.
- But the core value is the empowerment of people and capacity building of Developing Countries Institutions, thus promoting local ownership.
- The treasure of CDN is the joint training and research activities among all the partners.