



ANNUAL REPORT 2024



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Message from the President and the Chair of the Board

The year 2024 marked a significant milestone in the history of GDN, as we celebrated our 25th anniversary, a quarter century of advancing research capacity, fostering knowledge exchange, and building bridges between evidence and policy across the Global South. This occasion was both a moment of reflection on our journey and a renewal of our commitment to the principles that have guided us since our founding.

It was a year of remarkable achievements and promising new beginnings. We launched the Pôle clermontois de développement international (PCDI) in Clermont-Ferrand, France, establishing a presence in Europe to liaise with partners such as the French Development Agency group and the European Commission. Fiji joined the GDN International Assembly, bringing fresh perspectives and expanding our geographic reach. It is also the first member to pay a membership fee to GDN – the beginning of a funding model that highlights the urgency of GDN's mission, while providing a platform for sustainable financing that can be scaled up. In Dakar, the Evidence Fair showcased innovative research and its potential to shape policy in West Africa, including in those countries going through difficult conflicts and regime changes. We re-launched our work with young researchers, supporting 60 new grantees in Francophone Africa, a new generation of scholars advancing locally grounded knowledge. We also initiated a new programme on Digital Public Infrastructure, underscoring our engagement with emerging themes at the intersection of technology and development. The year concluded with the Global Development Conference (Global Synergies: Climate Resilience Strategies for a Sustainable Tomorrow), in Suva, Fiji, a fitting finale to our 25th year, with 86% of participants coming from low- and middle-income countries.

These accomplishments were made possible by the dedication of our talented team, the invaluable support of our partners and funders, the guidance of our Board, and the trust placed in us by our global network of researchers, practitioners, and policymakers. To each of you, we extend our deepest gratitude.

As we look to the future, we carry forward the spirit that has sustained GDN for 25 years, a steadfast belief in the transformative power of knowledge to shape a more equitable, sustainable, and inclusive world. The journey continues, and we look forward to building the next 25 years together.



Jean-Louis Arcand
President, GDN

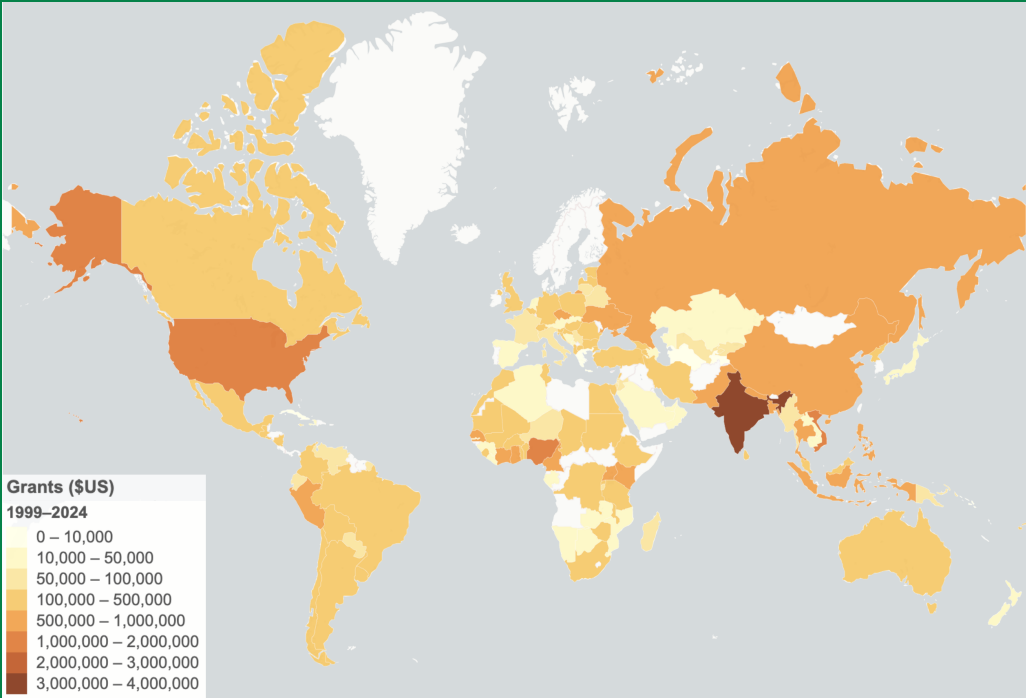


Shantayanan Devarajan
Chair of the Board, GDN

STORIES OF IMPACT

OUR IMPACT

OVER THE YEARS
1999-2024



CYRINE SAAB

LEBANON

1st Prize Winner, Japanese Award
for Outstanding Research on
Development (ORD) Global Development
Awards Competition 2023



RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE: ADDRESSING POLICIES ON SELF-RELIANCE FOR REFUGEES: THE CASE OF WASTE PICKERS IN BEIRUT

The importance of my study can neither be undermined nor ignored. It sheds light on a neglected form of labour that has economic and environmental value, and challenges dominant narratives by centring the voices and expertise of refugee children engaged in waste picking in Beirut.

My study examines strategies to support refugee self-reliance by improving the work conditions of these refugee children and builds directly on my PhD thesis, which focused on the everyday experiences of refugee children who are engaged in street work in Beirut. During my fieldwork, I developed strong relationships with these children, including those involved in waste picking. Seeing first-hand the harsh conditions of their work – the physical dangers, violence, exploitation, and stigma they face daily – left a lasting impression on me.

I wanted to move beyond documenting their struggles toward identifying concrete policy initiatives that could improve their working conditions and livelihoods.

By highlighting their role in environmental sustainability and the urban economy, I have aimed to identify policy initiatives that promote economic inclusion and work-based education. Using participatory ethnographic methods, my research engages with refugee waste pickers, policy actors, and organisational stakeholders to generate context-specific



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and sustainable recommendations that enhance safety, recognition, and income generation in their daily work.

Winning the GDN grant has been deeply motivating and validating, bringing recognition to a field site and community I have worked with for years. The grant has allowed me to take my research beyond academia and engage with it from a new, policy-oriented angle. Through GDN, I've received invaluable support – communications training, detailed feedback on my proposal, and guidance from a technical advisor – all of which helped sharpen my study's focus and impact. It also encouraged stronger institutional backing from my organisation, enhancing the project's reach.

This experience has broadened my network, deepened my understanding of policy engagement, and strengthened my ability to bridge research with advocacy. This has been a turning point in how I envision my role – not just as a researcher, but as someone actively contributing to change in a field I care about deeply.

Thirty waste pickers, predominantly children have been engaged through participatory methods, and collaborations formed with 10 institutional actors, including ministries, organisations, and local authorities in the fields of environmental sustainability, informal labour, and work-based education. So far, engagement has informed policy discussions with three local NGOs, one municipal actor, and one ministry, contributing to early-stage advocacy for safer working conditions and inclusive work-based education.

The research study will convene separate roundtable discussions with institutional actors and refugee waste pickers to co-develop a policy brief with actionable recommendations. Preparations are also underway for a seven-minute documentary featuring the children, alongside a shorter version for social media advocacy. Beyond these outputs, the project has fostered trust and recognition among refugee children, validating their role in environmental sustainability and the urban economy. It has also raised awareness among policymakers and organisations, while working to reduce public stigma around refugee labour and waste picking.

A unique memory from my experience with GDN was learning that my project had been selected at a time when I was navigating profound personal loss. The award gave me renewed motivation and a sense of purpose. The support I received from the grant director, communication trainer, technical advisor, and a colleague helped me reimagine the policy potential of my work and its impact beyond academia.

HAMITANDE DOUT

TOGO

Lecturer and Researcher,
Université de Lomé

Awarded under GDN's Research Fund for Young
Francophone Researchers



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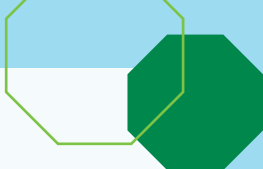
Pôle clermontois de
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**RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE: VULNERABILITY AND STRATEGIC
RESILIENCE OF FORCIBLY DISPLACED POPULATIONS IN THE
FACE OF NATURAL DISASTERS: THE CASE OF BURKINA FASO**

My motivation for this research stemmed from two observations – the alarming growth in the number of forcibly displaced people in Burkina Faso and the limited scientific coverage of this issue in economic literature. These already vulnerable populations face food insecurity, income loss, and limited access to essential services, without adequate protection mechanisms. Meanwhile, current humanitarian responses often remain ad hoc and poorly integrated.

This project therefore aims to fill a gap by rigorously analysing levels of vulnerability and resilience, in order to better understand the structural factors that hinder their ability to cope with crises. It is important because the expected results will inform public crisis management policies and strengthen social protection systems for displaced persons.

So far, we have created a database on the living conditions of forcibly displaced populations in Burkina Faso, covering several affected regions. Our analysis identified high levels of vulnerability, particularly among women, youth, people who have been displaced multiple times, and people living in refugee camps. Furthermore, the project is contributing to filling a significant gap in the academic literature on the subject, particularly in the Sahelian context.



“The grant allowed me to consolidate my professional network internationally and increase my scientific visibility, paving the way for future collaborations and high-quality academic publications. It enabled me to deepen my expertise on resilience and vulnerability.”

Obtaining the GDN grant was instrumental in the completion of this project. It provided me with access to essential financial resources for field data collection, rigorous empirical analysis, and dissemination of results to stakeholders. On a personal level, the grant provided me with the opportunity to deepen my expertise on issues of resilience and vulnerability in crisis contexts, a central focus of my career as a development researcher. It also allowed me to consolidate my professional network internationally and increase my scientific visibility, paving the way for future collaborations and high-quality academic publications.

This project will make a lasting contribution to improving public policies for forcibly displaced populations. By identifying the structural factors of their vulnerability and resilience, it will provide decision-makers with concrete tools to design more targeted, effective, and sustainable interventions. In the medium term, the results will help strengthen social protection mechanisms, better integrate displaced people into climate resilience strategies, and guide the investment priorities of humanitarian and development partners. Academically, it contributes to a field of research that remains largely unexplored in West Africa and will inspire further work on resilience in complex crises.

I wish to further my research on the resilience of vulnerable populations to multiple crises in Africa, and to publish more, mentor young researchers, and strengthen my methodological skills. Ultimately, I hope to become a leading expert in development economics applied to crisis contexts, and to work more closely with GDN as their focal point in Togo, a country where they do not yet have a structured collaboration with research centres.

GDN led me to a fruitful collaboration with my mentor, whose wise guidance allowed me to develop my research skills and strengthen the rigor of my projects. It also gave me Dr. Idah, the IRCB Programme Manager who initiated the researchers' club and through whom, I was able to access information on scientific events, to strengthen my network and expand my opportunities for publication and international collaboration.

What makes GDN unique is its inclusive and collaborative approach, which brings together researchers from around the world, particularly from developing regions. It provides an environment conducive to knowledge exchange, mentoring young researchers, and networking with international experts, thereby helping to build local capacity and encourage rigorous, high-quality research.

MARGARET FAFA AKWETEY

GHANA

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University of Cape Coast

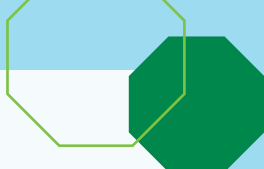
Awarded under GDN's AFD-GDN Biodiversity
and Development Awards Programme



RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE: ASSESSMENT OF ECOSYSTEM-BASED LIVELIHOODS ON BIODIVERSITY WITHIN THE KETA LAGOON COMPLEX RAMSAR SITE (KLCRS) IN GHANA

My family's roots in Anyako, a small island on the Keta Lagoon, has given me a deep awareness of the fragile balance between human livelihoods and biodiversity. With two of Ghana's coastal Ramsar sites already on the verge of collapse, I felt a strong urgency to safeguard the Keta Lagoon Complex Ramsar Site (KLCRS) while ensuring sustainable socio-economic development. My research set out to show that conservation and livelihoods can coexist, protecting the wetland's ecological richness while supporting the communities who rely on it. Its legacy now shapes both national policy and local practices, pointing the way toward long-term preservation for future generations.

Using the DPSIR framework, I explored how ecosystem-based livelihoods such as fishing, mangrove harvesting, and salt mining affect biodiversity in the KLCRS, Ghana's largest coastal wetland. The fieldwork documented 132 bird species, over 50 recorded for the first time, alongside 79 plant species and 10 fish species, creating richer inventories than any previous study. These findings have informed Ghana's Medium-Term Development Plans (2022–2025) and raised awareness among local communities about biodiversity conservation, strengthening sustainable ecosystem management and national environmental goals.



“GDN stands out for its holistic approach to supporting grantees. The research labs helped me frame my proposal well, and the technical advisors provided invaluable input to strengthen my project. The workshops on research approaches and methodologies not only supported my GDN-funded work but also equipped me for future research. Most importantly, GDN gave me platforms to present my findings to international audiences, which built my confidence and positioned me as a researcher in my field. ”

The study provided much-needed updated baseline data, filling critical gaps in knowledge and improving conservation planning. It has already drawn greater attention from academics and development agencies, with KLCRS now hosting new research initiatives. By highlighting how livelihoods directly shape ecological outcomes, the findings also serve as a vital national reference for future decisions, including potential oil exploration in the Keta basin.

Winning the GDN grant was transformative. There is a yawning knowledge gap on biodiversity in many wetlands in Ghana, and through this grant I was able to produce a comprehensive inventory of plant, bird, fish and invertebrate species in KLCRS, now used as a reference for coastal wetland biodiversity. The grant came at the very beginning of my career as a lecturer, providing me with the grounding to conduct meaningful research, enhance my teaching and outreach services, and even supervise two master's students in my first year, an achievement that is rare. It also strengthened my chances of securing future research and outreach grants, helping me build a solid foundation for my career.

My ambitions are centred on advancing aquatic ecosystem conservation and biodiversity mainstreaming, while also strengthening the educational and research capacities of young people. I want to influence policy, engage communities and children through science communication, and contribute to global environmental discussions. To achieve this, I am open to international collaborations that align with these goals and help me scale the impact of my work.

EL HADJI CHEIKH GUEYE

SENEGAL

Principal Investigator,
GDN's Fiscal Policy and Development Programme



RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE: ANALYSIS OF THE IMPACT OF TAXATION AND SOCIAL SPENDING ON POVERTY AND INEQUALITY IN SENEGAL

My passion for research and its potential to inform and influence policy debates is what motivated me to focus on analysing the impact of public policies – both taxation and spending – on poverty and inequality. Understanding these effects guides policymakers toward more equitable and effective decisions.

This research study examines the impact of taxation and social spending on poverty and inequality in Senegal using the Commitment to Equity (CEQ) framework. Based on microsimulations using data from the 2018–2019 household survey, the analysis assesses how fiscal and social policies affect income distribution. Results show that income tax, primary education spending, and family grants are the most effective in reducing inequality, while energy subsidies and higher education spending tend to benefit wealthier households. The study also explores reform scenarios for expanding social protection, considering both their financing and potential to reduce poverty and inequality.

The CEQ framework helps highlight which groups bear the tax burden and who benefits most from social spending, offering valuable insights for more targeted and inclusive policy design.



Our research report informed and enriched ongoing national reflections on development in Senegal, particularly as the country unveiled its new National Development Strategy (SND 2025-2029). It offered timely insights into the role of fiscal and social policy in promoting equity and inclusion. ”

This study was officially validated by the ministry and later presented during a webinar organised by AFD Paris, which gathered over 200 participants from around the world. Since then, it has received numerous positive responses, reflecting strong interest and recognition of its relevance.

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By shedding light on the equity impact of current policies, the study contributed to the broader dialogue on creating a more sustainable, competitive, and inclusive development model.

The next step would involve adapting the methodology even further to the Senegalese context, to enable even more accurate and reliable analysis.

The involvement of the GDN team from start to finish has been immensely valuable, particularly in providing technical guidance and support throughout the process. It was through a colleague that I came to know of GDN, which I consider an outstanding research hub!

GADOM DJAL GAD`OM

CHAD

Principal Investigator
GDN's Savoirs Sahel Programme



RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE: CREATION AND OPERATION OF AN INFORMATION WATCH UNIT (CVI) TO INTEGRATE THE DEMOGRAPHIC DIVIDEND INTO SECTORAL POLICIES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN CHAD

In Chad, the Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherche en Économie Appliquée et Gestion (LAEREAG) has launched an Information Watch Unit (CVI) dedicated to addressing the challenges and opportunities of the demographic dividend. The CVI was established to provide data, analysis, and policy guidance to decision-makers, ensuring that demographic realities are reflected in public policy. With project support, the unit was fully equipped and became operational during the implementation phase. It has already trained 30 researchers in generative economics, as well as in the drafting of policy briefs and bulletins, thereby strengthening the Laboratory's internal capacity to conduct applied research. In parallel, it sensitised more than 50 public decision-makers across ministries to the importance of capturing the demographic dividend for Chad's long-term development.

The urgency of this work cannot be overstated. Chad faces intense demographic pressures, with a population growing at 3.6% annually, women having on average 6.4 children, and almost one-third of the population aged between 15 and 34 years. Despite efforts through initiatives such as SWEED to empower women, the concept of the demographic dividend is still not well integrated into national or sectoral policies. The CVI is designed to bridge this gap by providing a dedicated, evidence-based platform to inform policymakers, strengthen advocacy, and build awareness among the broader public.



GDN's support has enriched our experience, strengthened our ability to produce high-quality research and policy recommendations, and connected us to a wider network of researchers and mentors in the region. ”

Looking ahead, the CVI is preparing its first policy bulletin to be disseminated through a workshop, and an audiovisual campaign on national television and radio is planned to raise mass awareness of the demographic dividend.

The initiative has also raised LAEREAG's profile as a research institution capable of shaping policy debates in Chad. GDN's contribution has been critical to this success, going well beyond financial support. The Laboratory benefitted from tailored mentoring, which enhanced its technical expertise; opportunities for peer exchange with other Sahelian think tanks, including during the proposal workshop in Abidjan; and knowledge-sharing platforms such as GDN's knowledge fair in Dakar, which expanded its visibility and regional influence. These opportunities have enriched LAEREAG's research agenda and provided avenues to collaborate with researchers and mentors across the Sahel, improving both the quality and the impact of its outputs.

By building the capacity of think tanks such as LAEREAG, GDN is contributing to stronger research ecosystems in the Sahel. This work is not only reinforcing the role of local institutions, but also enabling more effective, evidence-based policymaking to respond to pressing demographic and development challenges.

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

2024



Doing Research Global Initiative

The Doing Research Global Initiative delivers a granular picture of the national research system, paying particular attention to social sciences.

Governments in Tunisia, Fiji and India have requested GDN to include their country in the Doing Research global initiative. The first two Doing Research Assessments funded domestically are India and Fiji, a critical milestone for the programme.

Tunisia is the pilot country for the global initiative's expansion in the Middle East and North Africa.

DRAs in Benin, Mali, Chad, Cameroun and Burkina Faso are ongoing.

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The global initiative has been instrumental to GDN's visibility in regional funding summits among national research councils and international donors in Asia and sub-Saharan Africa.

Savoirs Sahel 2

The think tank sector of the Sahel region drawn together at the first edition of the Evidence Fair / Foire aux Savoir to discuss disinformation and misinformation, and its impact on governance in the region

7 think tanks (old and new) join a network aimed to strengthen the role of evidence in public and policy debates

AFD-GDN Biodiversity and Development Awards

Enabled researchers across Fiji, Ghana, Ethiopia, Madagascar and Vietnam to include humans and the economy in the study of biodiversity - this is what 'biodiversity mainstreaming' is about.

Researchers in the programme published significantly more than expected, with 10 additional publications.

Researchers took their work to communities and policy makers, building relationship, trust, and in some cases new institutions.

A systematic capacity needs assessment shows significant improvement in researchers' communication, grant management and collaboration capacity thanks to their GDN grant and the additional support provided.

Fiscal Policy and Development



GDN's fiscal incidence data used by a multi-ministry taskforce in the Government of Senegal to run microsimulations to support national development strategy

The first comparative paper on different methodologies to analyse equity in fiscal incidence published in collaboration with CEQI and AFD

A government's capacity to work with its own data boosted by a new approach, based on local government ownership of fiscal incidence analysis

Global Development Awards Competition 2024

Diverse initiatives awarded under the ORD and MIDP competitions in 2022 and 2023 in Uganda, India, Cambodia, Sierra Leone, Vietnam, Lebanon, Ghana, and the Philippines are underway to tackle post-COVID challenges, driving inclusive, locally grounded solutions for sustainable development and systemic change.

Scale-up grants of USD 200,000 were awarded to projects in Thailand, Kenya, and India to address urgent needs from migrant family healthcare and climate resilience to youth empowerment, fostering sustainable, community-driven solutions for development and well-being, under the JSDF Awards.

Winners of the 2024 edition selected and awarded at the 2024 Global Development Conference in Fiji

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GlobalDev Blog

144,662 page views in 2024 from 212 countries, 67.66% from the Global South

48 researchers published, 39.58% from the South, 43.75% women

New partnerships on debate series with UK Collaborative on Development Research (UKCDR) and the 2024 Oxford Forum for International Development

Institutional Research Capacity Building (IRCB)

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41 research capacity building events organised (colloquiums, training workshops, scientific days) in Francophone Africa

1406 applications received from 22 countries for the Research Fund for Young Francophone Researchers

60 young researchers from 9 Francophone African countries (30% women) selected for research grants of EUR 10,000, along with 59 international mentors

Over 200 individuals in the growing international community of IRCB

Socioeconomic Impact of Digital Public Infrastructure

GDN DPI pilot showcased at the Global DPI summit at Cairo

GDN President invited to the World Bank Group Global Digital Summit

3 research programmes in Benin, Bangladesh, and Ethiopia in progress to evaluate the socioeconomic impact of DPI



Global Development Conference 2024

The Global Development Conference 2024 (GDC 2024) was held in Suva, Fiji, from November 26 to 28, 2024. Organised by GDN, this event was supported by the University of the South Pacific (USP) and the Government of Fiji. The conference underscored Fiji's critical regional significance as an island nation highly vulnerable to climate change, and emphasised the importance of social sciences to tackle these unprecedented challenges.

GDC 2024 hosted high-level plenary sessions with world-class speakers from policy and research, as well as skill-building workshops which aimed to increase the capacity of participants and enhance their ability to engage with communities and audiences on crucial topics.



WHEN

November 26-28, 2024



WHERE

Suva, Fiji

THEME

Global Synergies: Climate Resilience Strategies for a Sustainable Tomorrow



50%

of the delegates were women

87%

from LMICs & the Global South

50%

regional representation

A SNAPSHOT

Global Development Conference 2024

700

DELEGATES

5

AWARD
CATEGORIES

3+

DAYS
OF ACTIVITIES

90+

COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED

80+

SPEAKERS

3

KEYNOTES

10

WORKSHOPS

6

PLENARY
SESSIONS

25+

ORGANISATIONS

5

PARALLEL
SESSIONS

Learn more about the conference and
read the conference report at

conf2024.gdn.int



Partners & Funders

- Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia (ASSA)
- African Center for Equitable Development (ACED)
- African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)
- Agence Française de Développement (AFD)
- Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- Association of Asian Social Science Research Councils (AASSREC)
- Campbell Collaboration
- Centre d'études et de recherches sur le développement international (CERDI)
- Co-Develop
- Ethiopian Economics Association (EEA)
- Expertise France
- Fondation pour les études et recherches sur le développement international (FERDI)
- Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)
- Future Earth
- Giving Evidence
- International Development Research Centre (IDRC)
- Michelin Foundation
- Ministry of Finance, Government of Japan
- Robert Bosch Foundation
- South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)
- South Asian Network on Economic Modeling (SANEM)
- University of Pretoria
- William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
- World Bank (PHRD Trust Fund)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- Youth Futures Foundation Limited

The Pôle clermontois de développement international (PCDI) was launched in April 2024 in Clermont-Ferrand, France, with an aim to advance social science research, training, and capacity building in the Global South. This partnership fosters collaboration between the North and South and aims to inform global policies and solutions for sustainable development. The initiative is a collaboration between the Centre d'études et de recherches sur le développement international (CERDI), the Fondation pour les études et recherches sur le développement international (FERDI), and the Global Development Network (GDN).

Team GDN 2024

The Global Development Network is truly global, with 21 team members across 12 countries, 71% of whom were born in the Global South. With our headquarters in New Delhi, India, a European office in Clermont-Ferrand, France, a registered office in Arlington, USA, and several colleagues contributing remotely, we bring together diverse perspectives to strengthen social science research.



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GDN Board of Directors, December 2024

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Fiji

High Commissioner of Fiji to India

Hungary

Ambassador of Hungary to India

India

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Additional Secretary (FB & ADB) Department of Economic Affairs

Spain

Ambassador of Spain to India

Sri Lanka

High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to India

Financial Statements

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Assets	Amount (US\$)	Amount (US\$)
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,374,629	2,707,670
Contributions receivable	1,544,748	415,594
Prepaid expenses	14,850	2,825
Other current assets	15,346	6,311
Total Current Assets	2,949,573	3,132,400
Property and Equipment, Net	2,571	2390
Other Assets	-	-
Security deposits and investment	47,287	3,985
Total Assets	2,999,432	3,138,775
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Grants payable	4,000	24,771
Accounts payable	252,101	372,528
Accrued expenses	600,046	645,664
Deferred Revenue	56,123	56,123
Total Liabilities	912,269	1,099,085
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	205,572	123,759
Temporarily restricted	1,881,591	1,915,930
Total Net Assets	2,087,163	2,039,689
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	2,999,432	3,138,775

Consolidated Statements of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2024 & Year ended June 30, 2023

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted Amount (US\$)	Restricted Amount (US\$)	Total Amount (US\$)	Unrestricted Amount (US\$)	Restricted Amount (US\$)	Total Amount (US\$)
SUPPORT AND REVENUE						
Grants, contracts and contributions	(194,739)	3,523,030	3,328,292	(16,600)	4,461,835	4,445,235
In-kind contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest income	4,206	-	4,206	5,259	-	5,259
Foreign currency exchange gain/(loss)	(3,726)	-	(3,726)	(3916)	-	(3916)
Other income	276,073	-	276,073	75,314	-	75,314
Net assets released from restrictions	3,557,371	(3,557,371)	-	3,086,476	(3,086,476)	-
Total support and revenue	3,639,185	(34,340)	3,604,844	3,146,533	1,375,359	4,521,892
EXPENSES						
PROGRAMME SERVICES						
Annual Conference	297,814	-	297,814	380,950	-	380,950
Research Capacity Building Programme	2,317,892	-	2,317,892	1,507,449	-	1,507,449
GlobalDev Blog	113,471	-	113,471	110,408	-	110,408
Global Collaborative Research	654,158	-	654,158	896,930	-	896,930
Other programmes	124,630	-	124,630	31,430	-	31,430
Total programme	3,507,964	-	3,507,964	2,927,168	-	2,927,168
SUPPORTING SERVICES						
Donor coordination and fundraising	1575	-	1575	-	-	-
Secretariat (indirect costs)	47,831	-	47,831	159,311	-	159,311
Total expenses	3,557,372	-	3,557,372	3,086,478	-	3,086,478
Change in net assets	81,813	(34,340)	47,474	60,054	1,375,359	1,435,414
Net assets (deficits)						
Beginning of period	123,759	1,915,931	2,039,690	63,705	540,571	604,276
End of period	205,572	1,881,591	2,087,164	123,759	1,915,931	2,039,690

