Capability Statement

Centre For International Development











The Centre for International Development at RMIT University houses applied researchers that lead the co-creation of innovative, evidence-based policies and business initiatives that promote sustainable improvements in the quality of peoples' lives. It places the wellbeing of the poor and most vulnerable at the core of its research.

CID researchers are specialised in Economics, Architecture, Engineering, Geospatial Science, Management, Marketing, and Political Science. The Centre approaches development from a multidimensional and multidisciplinary perceptive, thus providing innovative evidence-based policy suggestions to address some of the world's most pressing problems. Centre researchers have produced influential studies on:

- Poverty and inequality
- Financial inclusion
- · Disaster management and recovery
- · Climate change and resilience
- · Urban adaptation to shocks
- Education
- Health
- Ethnic Diversity
- Energy poverty
- · Gender disparities
- Land rights
- Mining
- Child well-being

With regard to international Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), CID members lead RMIT's research toward:

- SDG 1: No Poverty
- SDG 2: Zero Hunger
- · SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- · SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities



The Centre's core areas of expertise include:

- Statistical and econometric data analysis
- Survey design and analysis
- Economic policy advice
- Program/project evaluation
- Impact assessment

Centre researchers are experts at identifying existing knowledge gaps, formulating testable hypotheses, theories of change and empirical techniques. The Centre designs studies that frame the analysis within the broader grey and academic literatures. In so doing, the Centre has not only contributed to policy formulation, but also has enhanced RMIT's reputation within formal academic circles.

The Centre's partnerships with NGOs across the Asia Pacific region and beyond have allowed it to also gain expertise in translating research to various audiences and producing both technical and non-technical reports. The latter is important not only for dissemination purposes, but also to provide key stakeholders with information about how their lives changed because of interventions. As such, the team has produced pamphlets, videos, summaries and non-technical presentations geared toward informing affected communities.



Research Projects

The CID has a strong track record of external funding, and has completed many high profile research projects. A full list of previous research projects can be viewed at our website: <u>https://www.rmit.edu.au/research/centres-collaborations/centre-for-international-development/projects</u>

Research Publications

CID members regulalrly publish in top-tier journals, publish books, and are invited speakers at national and international conferences. A list of recent academic publications can be viewed at our website: https://www.rmit.edu.au/research/centres-collaborations/centre-for-international-development/publications



The CID has a number of key academics associated with the Centre. These include:

- Alberto Posso
- Ankita Mishra
- Bilgehan Karabay
- Darryn McEvoy
- Esther Charlesworth
- Gavin Mudd
- Janet Roitman

- Longfeng Ye
- Maria Beamond
- Meg Elkins
- Samuelson Appau
- Sefa Awaworyi Churchill
- Serene Ho
- Simon Feeny



The CID applies its expertise to real-world problems, working as both researchers and development practitioners. We partner with leading development organisations, advising their practice, programmatic interventions and strategy. Centre members have lead projects in South and East Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as Pacific Island countries. With its partners, the CID leads global change toward the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals. CID members have worked with:



The CID welcomes enquires and expressions of interest to collaborate and partner from businesses, governments, NGOs and community organisations, from Australia and abroad.

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