

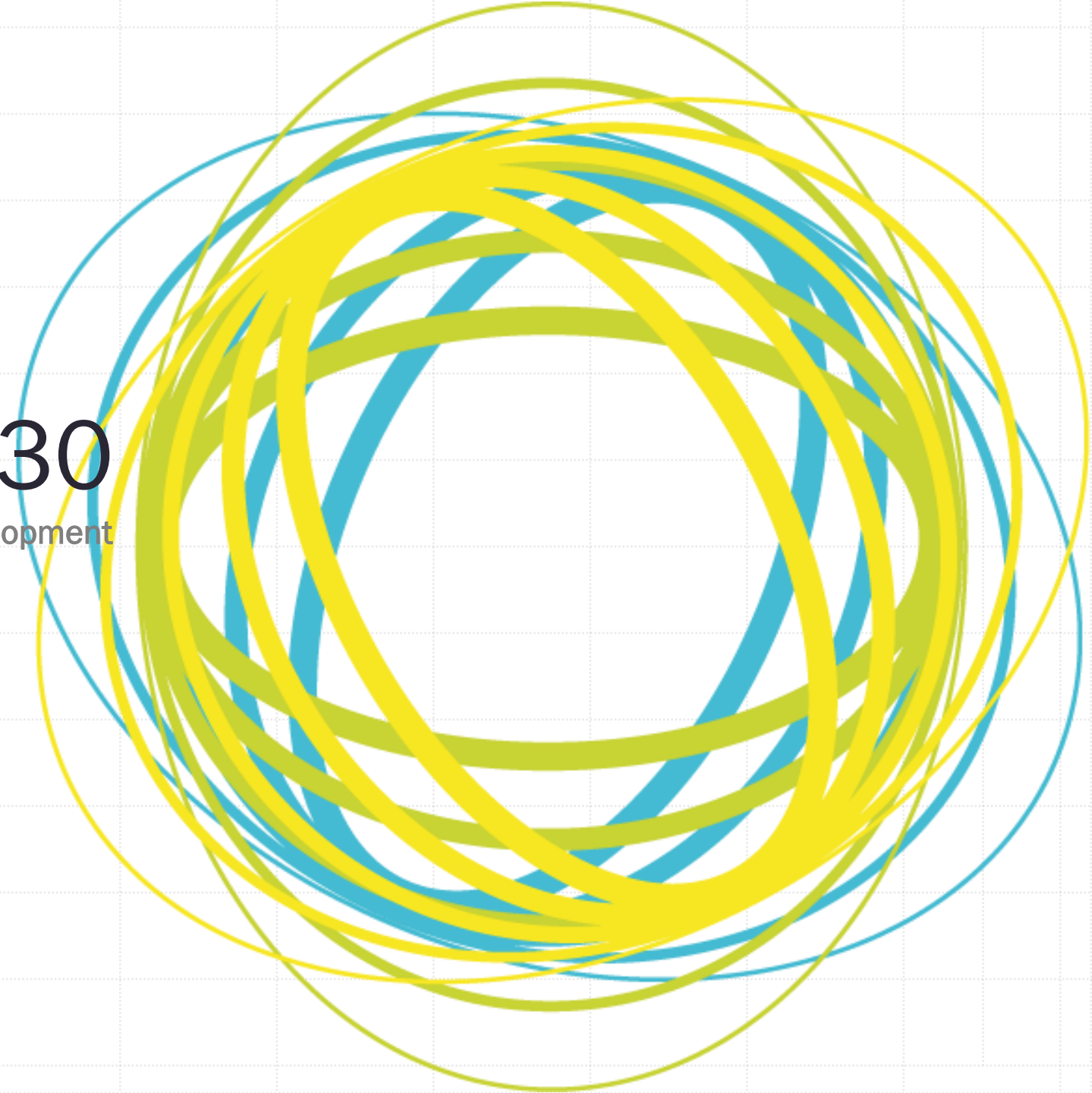


Strategy 2026-2030

Finnish University Partnership for International Development

Yliopistojen globaalin kehityksen verkosto

Universitetsnätverket för global utveckling

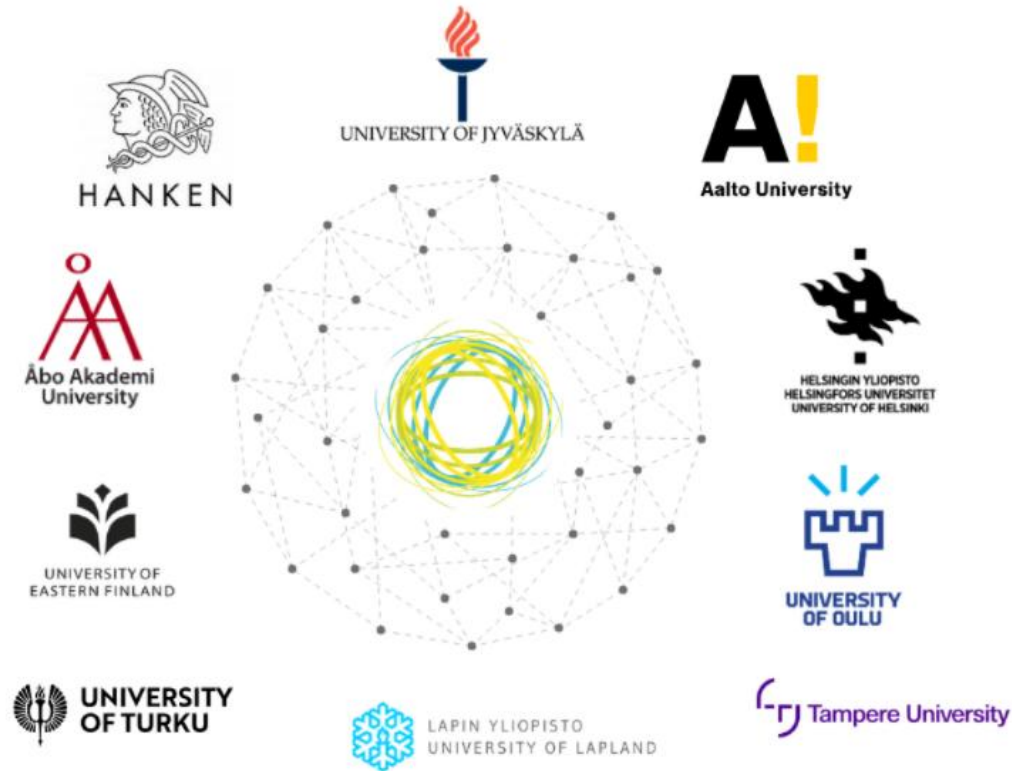


MISSION

The Finnish University Partnership for International Development (UniPID) strengthens the capacity of member universities to enhance global responsibility and Global South perspectives in their education, research, and societal engagement. UniPID promotes equitable and inclusive global partnerships that advance sustainable development.

VALUES

Academic freedom
Diversity
Equity
Inclusion
Interdisciplinary learning
Participation
Research-based knowledge
Responsibility
Sustainability
Transparency



STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Member university engagement
Responsible partnerships
Knowledge-based impact

VISION

By 2030, through collaborative partnerships with actors in the Global South, Member universities have integrated global sustainable development into the interconnected three pillars of higher education:

Education – Universities co-design, co-create and co-implement inclusive and innovative high-quality education that supports expertise in sustainable development with Global South partners and networks, offering opportunities for shared learning.

Research – Universities are engaged in high-quality responsible, ethical and equitable research collaboration and co-learning with Global South stakeholders based on shared knowledge co-creation priorities. Researchers from the Global North and Global South at different career stages receive training and support for Global South collaborations.

Societal engagement – Universities collaborate with multiple stakeholders to contribute to policy dialogues that advocate for and include Global South perspectives and academic freedom. They actively contribute to evidence-informed decision-making on a local and global level.

Member university engagement

We are a partner in education, research and impact creation. We are a voice for global responsibility and Global South perspectives in our universities.

We are your partner in impact creation

We create impact through responsible communication and partnerships.



We are your partner in education

We are a platform for co-creation of education, supporting the expertise in global development.

We are your partner in research

We are a platform for creating and strengthening research networks, peer support and mentoring in Finland and supporting responsible science. UniPID also commits to facilitate the university community's collaboration with partners from the Global South

Responsible partnerships

We support and facilitate responsible and equitable partnerships with impact. Collaboration with organisations for advocacy in equity and integrity in global academic partnerships is key. We offer virtual and onsite opportunities for networking, learning, sharing, and developing mutually beneficial initiatives for sustainable global development. We encourage innovative multi-stakeholder collaborations including with civil society and public-private partnerships. We share knowledge and information about current policies, funding opportunities, and events related to Global South collaborations.



**Creating avenues
for funding
(collaboration,
support,
advocacy)**



**Optimise and
smoothen
processes**



**Networking
opportunities**



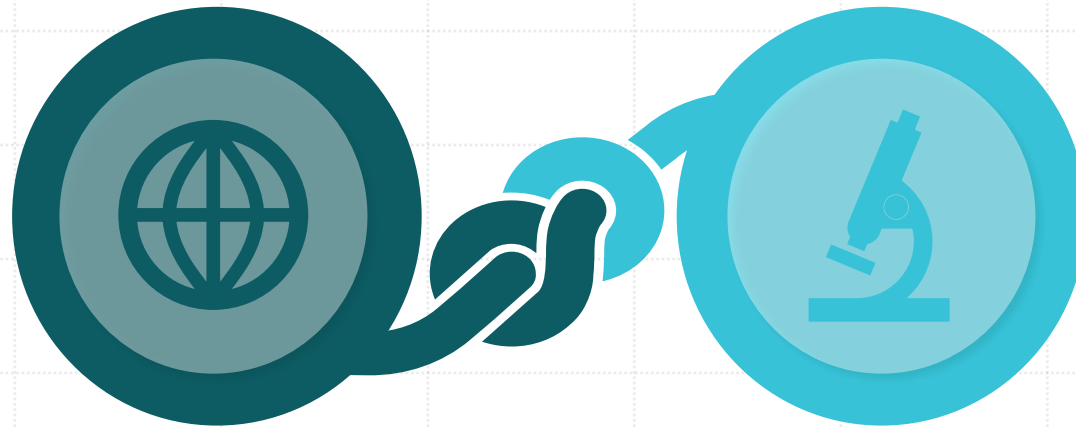
**Advocacy and
policy support**



**Hands on
opportunities,
experiences,
training for
collaborating/
working with the
Global South**

Knowledge-based impact

UniPID will actively inform higher education, science, sustainability and development policy, contributing to knowledge-based discourse and advocacy in Finland, the European Union, and globally. We will facilitate collaboration with policy actors, mobilise expertise to respond to knowledge needs, and input into policy processes, and create spaces for dialogue. UniPID's objectives in different policy areas are:



Sustainability and Development Policy

We highlight the role of universities in implementing the 2030 Agenda and contribute to sustainable development. We provide visibility for universities and Global South perspectives in sustainability and development policies.

Higher Education and Science Policy

We promote global responsibility and Global South perspectives in higher education and science policies. We emphasise the importance of shared goals in higher education and science policies, in which the Global South plays a pivotal role. We strengthen institutions' capacity building to include Global South perspectives in education and research, building reciprocal collaborations. We advocate for equitable funding for development research and Global South partnerships, with impact.

Strategy implementation, monitoring and evaluation

The strategy will be implemented in two phases: one for three (3) years and the second for two (2) years, as described in the annual workplans. Evaluative thinking will be incorporated into the work of the Board and the Coordination Unit. Annual reflection and assessment will be documented in the annual report. A facilitated self-evaluation halfway through the strategy period will provide input for the latter part of the strategy period. A final evaluation will be completed towards the end of the strategy period.



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