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The Finnish Society for Development Research (FSDR), together with the Finnish University Partnership for International Development (UniPID) and the Doctoral Programme of Political, Societal and Regional Changes (PSRC) at the University of Helsinki, warmly welcomes all interested participants to join the DocShop to discuss issues related to development research methodologies with the Global South.

Development Days DocShop 2025: Researching with the Global South: Methods, Fieldwork, and Ethics

Date: 26 February 2025

Time: 12.00–15.00

Format: Online (The meeting link will be shared with registered participants closer to the event date)

Registration: 5 December 2024 – 5 February 2025

Objective:

This DocShop, organized in connection with the [Development Days Conference 2025](#), encourages doctoral researchers to reflect on methodological approaches with ethical considerations in conducting research and fieldwork with/in the Global South. The focus will be on the methodology chapter of the candidate's dissertation. The event includes a keynote roundtable of PhD Supervisors. Following this, small group learning workshops will be held in breakout rooms, where respective supervisors will provide feedback on the pre-assigned papers for submission and where doctoral researchers also discuss with their peers.

Experienced researchers will serve as supervisors for DocShop 2025:

- **Irmeli Mustalahti** (Professor of Natural Resource Management at the Faculty of Social Sciences and Economics, University of Eastern Finland)
- **Sabaheta Ramcilovic-Suominen** (Associate Research Professor in International Forest Policy and Governance at Luke - the Natural Resources Institute Finland)
- **Markus Kröger** (Professor of Global Development Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Helsinki)
- **Anja Nygren** (Professor of Global Development Studies and Director of the PSRC at the University of Helsinki).

Pre-assignment:

Participants are required to submit a paper (maximum 2 pages or 1,000 words) based on the methodology part of their dissertations, specifically reflecting on appropriate methods and methodologies, fieldwork strategies and ethical concerns. Papers can be submitted through the registration form or sent via email to Ana Tarazona (ana.tarazonagalvis@helsinki.fi). In either

case, participants must submit their papers by **10 February 2025** in order to confirm their place in the workshop.

Prior to the event, participants will be assigned to a small learning group, each with a designated supervisor. The papers will be circulated among the members of the respective groups. Everyone is encouraged to read their peers' papers and be prepared to provide brief feedback.

Preliminary Programme:

12.05-12.15	Opening Remarks
12.15-13.05	Keynote Roundtable of PhD Supervisors
13.05-13.30	Q&A Session
13.30-13.45	Coffee break
13.45-14.45	Small Group Learning Workshops ('PhD Supervisors Meet Doctoral Researchers')
14.45-15.00	Closing Discussion and Remarks.

Registration:

The DocShop is free to all FSDR or [UniPID DocNet](#) members. However, please note that the number of places is limited. Register and submit your paper as soon as possible to ensure your place.

Register here by 5 February 2025: <https://www.unipid.fi/docnet-forms/devdays25-docshop-registration/>

More information on previous DocShops can be found on the [UniPID website](#). Interested in joining the DocNet? [Read more here](#).

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