

Title of the Master's Thesis:

The Blueprint of Development – Knowledge Transfer in the Development and Aid Sector

Abstract

Tying into Social Innovation research, this study aims to give account of a knowledge transfer project from a Science and Technology Studies perspective. Through the analysis of an international development initiative (the Context Humanitarian Staff Development Project), the master thesis aims at exploring the design of a knowledge transfer venture through qualitative analysis. By examining the content, framework and inscriptions of the project, the greater purpose of the study is to give account on how the build-up of an international development project reflects the aspirations for enabling development in the Development and Aid Sector. Beyond that, the study aspires to add to the knowledge base of Science and Technology Studies through exploring how knowledge transfer of the social sciences contribute to tackling social challenges and aim for fostering development on a world scale.

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