

# 2014 SOUTH-SOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS AWARD FOR RESEARCHERS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, AFRICA AND ASIA

## WORK AND WELFARE IN THE SOUTH

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### TRICONTINENTAL SCHOLARLY COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM ACADEMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA / AFRICA / ASIA PROGRAM

The Latin American Council of Social Sciences (CLACSO), the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) and the International Development Economics Associates (IDEAs) announce the launch of the **South-South Scholarships Award 2014 for research on the theme “Work and Welfare in the South”** aimed at social scientists from Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa and Asia. The goal of this awards is to encourage original research on the subject and to promote the final work through presentation at an international seminar.

The Tricontinental Cooperation Program was launched in 2005 by the Latin American Council of Social Sciences (CLACSO) and the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) in order to develop social science research of high academic standards, strengthen knowledge production and promote Southern perspectives on critical subjects, and contribute to global debates. In the year 2013, the International Development Economics Associates (IDEAs) joined the Tricontinental Cooperation Program. The program includes the organization of workshops, international seminars and research scholarships for promoting academic cooperation at a higher level. Research grants aim to promote cooperation between researchers from the South and to stimulate analytical and empirical studies on issues that are relevant to their respective regions and to the Global South.

This call is open for candidates from all disciplines of Social and Human Sciences, as well as for researchers from other sciences with projects related to the main theme of this year: **WORK AND WELFARE IN THE SOUTH.**



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Since 1970 the States of the global South had to promote different types of policies to deal with inflation, rising unemployment, the segmentation of markets due to indebtedness of states, economic stagnation and increased social spending – caused by the increase of unemployment since the mid - 1980s. At the height of neoliberalism, involving privatization and easing of labor laws and hegemony of financial capitalism, expectations of improving living standards of the peripheral countries' populations worsened deepening the gap between rich and poor, accentuating social inequalities and intensifying international migration in the northern countries. Then, the European crisis, the emergence of the BRICS and the election of progressive governments in Latin America created a new geopolitical map and promoted new thinking on migration and labor, discrimination in the labor market, causes of rising unemployment and policies of employment promotion. This new setting influences the relation between capital and labor.

The aim of this research programme is to explore theoretical perspectives and undertake empirical analyses of work and welfare in the context of neoliberalism. While the freedom of movement of capital has been enhanced, new walls and constraints have been created for the laboring poor, and they become the borders for conflict zones, areas of vulnerability and exception. Racialization processes infuse subjectivities and new cartographies of power.

The goal here is to bring to the forefront the needs, expectations and histories of the countries and populations of the South through the development of studies and exchanges on the theme of “work and welfare in the South”, addressing any of the following sub-themes, which relate to problems that are common to the three continents:

1. Migration and work
2. Labour market discrimination
3. Causes for jobless growth
4. Employment Promotion Policies: Learning from Southern stories

Research proposals should be based on at least one of the sub-themes mentioned within the general theme. Applicants are expected to formulate projects from a comparative perspective. These projects should not be restricted to one country or region, but they should involve the development of a comparative framework for conceptual and empirical research. Although this is not mandatory, research proposals that adjust to these criteria will receive special consideration during the selection process.

## AWARD RULES

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### **About the offered scholarships**

Nine (9) scholarships will be awarded in total, three (3) for each region. Each scholarship includes:

- a) A monetary award of USD 10,000 (ten thousand dollars);
- b) Air Ticket and accommodation to participate in an international seminar (date and venue will be decided in due course by the organizing institutions).

The scholarships will be paid in installments through bank transfers to the winners. The funds may be used without restriction for all activities related to research. It shall be the responsibility of the winners to obtain the necessary legal documentation to participate in the international seminar as well as personal health insurance and other requirements.

### **About the applicants' profile**

Applicants must be experienced researchers who have a master's or doctoral degree. It is a required condition to reside in any country in Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa or Asia and to have the endorsement of CLASCO, CODESRIA or IDEAs, according to the region concerned.

Applicants must speak English so they can present the results of research in an international academic seminar.

### **About the characteristics and presentation of proposals**

Each researcher may only participate with one proposal in this award. Finished or collective researches won't be accepted. Proposals should include:

- a) A project defining the research problem and methodology (including the sources analyzed and a small schedule), considering the state of the art and showing the relevance of research in relation to one or more established subject areas.
- b) An academic curriculum vitae with photo.
- c) A letter of endorsement signed by the highest authority of the institution or center that supports the presentation.

As the Collaborative Tri-continental Program involves the participation of scholars from Africa, Asia and Latin America, it has been decided that applicants who are residents of Africa should submit their applications to CODESRIA, applicants residing in Asia should submit their applications to IDEAs and those in Latin America to CLACSO:

**Asian applicants** should send their applications electronically to:

IDEAs - 2014 South-South Research Grants

Email: [grants@networkideas.org](mailto:grants@networkideas.org)

Website: [www.networkideas.org](http://www.networkideas.org)

**African applicants** should send their applications electronically using the subject "South-South Grants 2014" to:

CODESRIA - 2014 South-South Research Grants

Email: [research.grants@codesria.sn](mailto:research.grants@codesria.sn)

Website: [www.codesria.org](http://www.codesria.org)

**Latin American and Caribbean applicants** should manage electronically their applications:

CLACSO - 2014 South-South Research Grants

Website: [www.clacso.org](http://www.clacso.org)

Consults: [becassur14@clacso.edu.ar](mailto:becassur14@clacso.edu.ar)

Additional requirements may be specified by the regional institutions that organize the award based on their internal regulations.

### **About the Jury and the selection criteria**

The evaluation of applications will be carried out by a jury, which will choose the winning proposals. The jury might declare the award deserted or reject any of the proposals received. The decision will be definitive and irrevocable.

### **About the commitments of the winners**

Winners will receive a scholarship to ensure the development of their research for nine (9) months of work between July, 1st 2014 and March, 15th 2015. They must submit a partial report of activities, a final output of the required quality and a policy brief according to the requirements established by contract.

Also, winners must present the results of their research in an international academic seminar.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PRODUCT</b>	<b>OBSERVATIONS</b>
07/2014	Start of the contract	Fellows join the program.
11/2014	Partial report of activities	Brief report on the research activities developed.
	Draft version of the final work (academic article) on the subject of the grant obtained	The article must be original and have a minimum length of 4,000 and maximum of 8,000 words.
02/2015*	Final work	Article to be sent to all the participants in the Seminar, of exclusive and original authorship that makes a quality contribution to the subject of study and provides a theoretical and analytical reflection on the theme of the award. The text should have about 30,000 to 60,000 words and should comply with the obligations established by contract.
	Power Point presentation	Short presentation of the research results (including diagrams, infographics, maps, etc.).
	International Seminar	Presentation of results at a seminar*.
03/2015	Final version of the academic article	Final version of the academic text (that includes the discussions held in the Seminar). The final work will be submitted to an external evaluation. Fellows will have to take account of the observations made in this process.
	Policy Brief	Short document with policy recommendations in the field of study in which the scholarship is developed.

\*The organizers reserve the right to change the date in function of production and logistics reasons.

### **About the rights of publication, reproduction and exhibition**

Fellows will give CLASCO, CODESRIA and IDEAs the complete rights to publish, reproduce and / or display the final products developed with the grant, in any format, and have to request express authorization for publication by other means.

### **REGISTRATION CLOSURE DATE: JUNE 12TH, 2014**

Submissions that do not meet the requirements will be disqualified. The selection results will be posted on the websites of CLASCO, CODESRIA and IDEAs. Winners will be contacted to process their incorporation as fellows.