



ACHIEVING IMPACT IN GLOBAL CHALLENGES RESEARCH



Research and knowledge at the heart of development

We support global challenge research projects to build strong partnerships and achieve lasting impact by:

- Developing research uptake strategies tailored to national policy making contexts
- Strengthening the capacity of Southern researchers and institutions
- Providing tried and tested diagnostic tools and capacity development approaches

Who we are

INASP is an international development organization that supports individuals and institutions to produce, share and use research and knowledge, which can transform lives.

INASP promotes equity by actively addressing the needs of both men and women across all our work and addressing issues of power within the research and knowledge system.

Where we work

Asia, Africa, Latin America

www.inasp.info



Supporting Southern researchers to do, communicate and use research

INASP has over 10 years experience of working with researchers in Africa, Asia and Latin America to develop skills in research production, communication and use. We tailor our offer to your needs using our existing portfolio, or develop new tools and approaches to meet your needs and priorities.

RESEARCHER SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Thematic online courses on research communication and proposal writing

We offer:

- Delivery of intensive courses on research communication and proposal writing, tailored to fit your thematic area, and local country context

Format:

- 6 to 8 week course
- Modules include writing literature reviews, understanding research ethics, writing a research paper, navigating the publishing process, and grant proposal writing
- Virtual forum to allow continuous exchange with facilitators and peers

67% of intensive course participants go on to successfully publish their research, with 90% finishing the course with a journal-ready paper

Massive open online courses (MOOCs) on research writing and publication

We have extensive experience of running MOOCs in developing countries in English and Spanish. We help you provide cross-cutting support to all your development/global challenge projects via:

- Delivery of large-scale online courses in research writing, publishing and grant proposal writing, supported by expert facilitators from around the world
- Design and delivery of MOOCs tailored to a specific university or country context
- Training of senior “in-country” staff in online learning methods and course facilitation

Format:

- 6 to 8 week course
- Low bandwidth learning platform for use in developing countries
- Virtual forum to allow continuous exchange with facilitators and peers
- Expert advice from an international team of experienced guest facilitators

INASP MOOCs achieve 58% completion rates, well above normal averages (typically 3-15%)

MENTORING AND COLLABORATION ACROSS RESEARCH PROJECTS

Our AuthorAID platform provides support and services for over 17,000 developing country researchers. We provide online mentoring and collaboration support for research teams working at a distance.

We will:

- Design bespoke online mentoring and peer-to-peer learning programmes between international research partners
- Connect you with our global network of researchers around thematic areas or cross disciplinary projects, via our online collaboration spaces

AuthorAID platform

An online network of over 17,000 developing country researchers.

Enables early career researchers to:

- Find experienced mentors
- access peer support
- Identify potential collaborators
- Access a wealth of research communication resources

More details at www.AuthorAID.info



LASTING INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY

We have successfully worked with universities and research institutes in Africa and Asia to develop institutional research communications training.

Enabling institutions to develop in-house research communications training

We provide all the inputs required to support institutions to develop in-house training programmes:

- Training of local trainers to build capacity for ongoing development of staff
- Design of research communication skills training programmes tailored to the local context
- 'Learning by doing' approach to address the needs of adult professional learners
- Local staff connected with our 17,000-strong AuthorAID online community, creating a network of support around research and publication

Design and delivery of online learning programmes

We have significant expertise in the design and delivery of online learning programmes for developing country contexts. We train local staff to enable:

- Adaptation of our specially designed low-bandwidth online courses into local online learning platforms
- Expertise in online learning methods and online course facilitation
- Development of local IT department skills in using online learning platforms, and mitigation of any issues

Monitoring and Evaluation

Learning is at the heart of our work. We use methods that allow programmes to be adaptive, generating evidence to inform ongoing improvement.

We provide monitoring and evaluation (MEL) or jointly devise practical and viable plans for projects or programmes.

MEL support includes:

- Facilitation of spaces to collectively discuss how changes are evolving
- Participatory tools to co-produce lessons learned, short and long term recommendations
- Development of MEL capacity among team members

Management of ODA funds

We provide a fund management service to meet ODA funding requirements, building on decades of experience of managing ODA funds and receiving A+ scores from DFID.

We will:

- Assess ODA eligibility of project activities
- Carry out due-diligence on project partners
- Handle financial management of project while ensuring value for money
- Ensure International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) standards of compliance

Key principles of our approach:

Relevant and Responsive: Adapting our work to local contexts and changing needs of partners.

Promoting Equity: Actively addressing the needs of both men and women and addressing issues of power within the research & knowledge system.

Working across the System: Promoting collective knowledge sharing, problem solving and collaboration.

Ensuring Sustainability: Designing clear plans for sustainability, which are appropriate to our partners.

