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Going Global: international perspectives on responsibility

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North-South Partnership:
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• In cooperation with a global network of partners including the NCCPE and many others

Building support and capacity through:
• Capacity-building and training in community-based research – ‘NextGen’
• Organisational structures for facilitating community university partnerships
• Policy development and advocacy
Co-construction of Knowledge

- 95% of respondents make this as key priority
- Yet, only 15% of research questions come from community
- Different meanings of co-construction conflate
- Public representation of findings most critical missing link
CURP: Research Partnerships

- 60% report some structure
- Interface mechanism essential for partnerships
- Student & faculty outreach more than community ‘inreach’
- Different knowledge cultures and weak capacity on both sides
Capacity for CBR in Next Gen

- Most had no training in Community-based Research (CBR)
- Classroom training without field interactions: praxis?
- Values, ethics and power not taught in CBR
- High demand for practical training in local contexts
Asian Trends & Questions

- Scientists only interact with peers, opaque
- Gender inequality, discrimination, gap in research institutions
- Race for ranking limiting open access
- Public relevance & accountability of research under scrutiny