Strategic framework for Danish support to development research (2014-2018)
FAU, 7 November 2013
Danida support to development research – overall objective

- Strengthen research capacity in priority countries and create new knowledge capable of alleviating development problems
Danida support to development research - three sub-objectives

1) Strengthen research capacity in priority countries.

2) Produce innovative and relevant development research results.

3) Strengthen the use of research results.
1) Strengthen research capacity in priority countries

- National level (Support to national research strategy in a selected country)
- Institutional level (Building Stronger Universities)
- Individual level (Ph.D. and post doc)
Danida support to development research 
- three sub-objectives (2/3)

2) Support innovative research

- Research cooperation
  - South-driven research cooperation projects
  - North-driven research cooperation projects

- Core funding to leading regional and international institutions
3) Strengthen the use of development research

- Research is driven by demand.

- Improved communication to decision makers and stakeholders.

- Development cooperation is drawing on research results.
Key principles for future support (1/2)

• More South-driven research, emphasis on partner priorities and partner ownership.

• Alignment of Danish support with national research priorities.

• Improved harmonisation with bilateral and multilateral donors.
Key principles for future support (2/2)

• Geographical concentration on 5-7 countries.

• Adoption of a Human-Rights Based Approach and increased attention to gender equality.

• More emphasis put on use of research results, communication and links between researchers, decision makers, civil society and private sector.

• Improved monitoring of research results.
Preparation of strategic framework for support to development research

- Public consultation in Denmark and priority countries (October-November 2013. See http://um.dk/en/danida-en/partners/research/)

- Presentation to Council for Development Policy (25 October 2013)

- Presentation to Foreign Affairs Committee (November 2013).

- Final strategy (December 2013).