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DECOLONISING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN AND WHAT CAN WE DO?

In the past few years the debate around colonial continuities in development cooperation has gained traction. There is a growing awareness that development cooperation itself has its roots in colonialism and that this in turn is limiting progress towards global justice. An increasing number of civil society groups, activists and academics are paying closer attention to colonial attitudes and practices, racism and power imbalances that keep the sector from engaging in transformation processes. In this online event we present three recent publications that explore questions such as: How can we identify and dismantle colonial continuities? What are systemic factors that generate imbalanced power relationships? How can civil society actors in South-North collaborations (and in Germany) counteract colonial continuities? What role can German NGOs play in South-North collaborations to dismantle colonial continuities?

The publications presented can be obtained through the following links:

- ↳ [BER \(2022\) Mainstreaming Decolonize! Koloniale Kontinuitäten in der Entwicklungspolitik](#)
- ↳ [VENRO \(2022\) Shifting Power: How development and humanitarian NGOs can address the consequences of colonialism in their work](#)
- ↳ [CPDE \(2023\) Istanbul Principles and the DAC CSO Recommendation on Enabling Civil Society for ICSOS](#)

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AGENDA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22nd 2023 (ONLINE)

10:00	Check-In
10:10	Welcome and Introduction
10:20	Mainstreaming Decolonize! Colonial Continuities in German Development Cooperation (in German with automated translation) Sina Aping, BER
11:00	<i>Break</i>
11:10	Shifting Power: How development and humanitarian NGOs can address the consequences of colonialism in their work (in English with automated translation) VENRO or author
11:45	<i>Break</i>
12:00	Equitable Partnerships: addressing systemic factors that generate imbalanced relationships between CSO partners (in English with automated translation) Chilande Kuloba-Warria
12:50	Way forward
13:30	End of Workshop

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Tuesday, July 4th, 10am – 1.30pm (CET)

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