



Greater South Information System **GresIS**

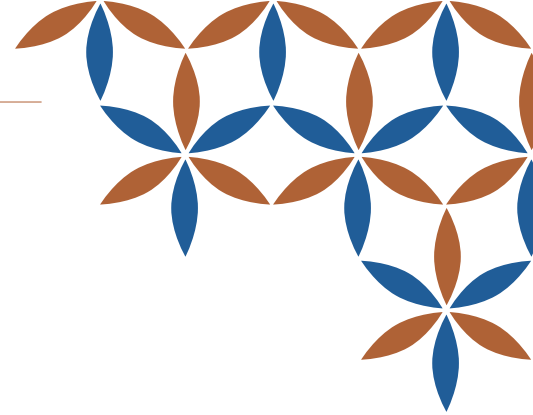
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A Third Way
of Development
from the South,
for Humanity



The Greater South Information System



Mandated by General Assembly Resolution 8 (2021), GreSIS is a digital resource of the Organisation of Southern Cooperation (OSC) designed to improve access to higher education and transdisciplinary knowledge.

GreSIS provides an open and accessible hub of academic and endogenous knowledge from the Global South.

GreSIS caters to the needs of educational institutions, researchers, instructors, students, and Indigenous people's organisations across the Member States and Associate Members of the OSC.

OBJECTIVES

1

Improve access to knowledge across academic and non-academic knowledge domains.

2

Make higher education more accessible to all.

3

Collect, preserve and make endogenous knowledge of the South available and accessible.

4

Develop and scale new ways for collaborative research across the Global South.

RESOURCES



Academic & peer-reviewed publications, including open-source materials



Non-academic publications such as reports, policy briefs, and white papers



Repository of Endogenous knowledge



Opinion pieces by Global South thought-leaders

FEATURES



Free & open access for institutions and individuals



Personal dashboard



Landing page with featured collections & highlighted profiles of Global South thoughtleaders



Search & filtering function



Algorithm that pushes Global South researchers' work to the top of search results



Full text searchability & text analyser to find related articles



AI translation of text resources into 4 OSC languages



Personalised recommendations



"Stumble" Function



Directory of Global South researchers & direct messaging function



Workspace to organise research and communicate with collaborators



Open & closed working groups



Unique URL assigned to each resource



Robust security protocols & minimal collection of personal data



Transdisciplinary impact analysis & visualisation tool

WHO IS GRESIS FOR?

GreSIS is an open and accessible transdisciplinary knowledge platform catering to the needs of institutions and individuals in the Global South:

- **Scholarly and academic institutions** such as universities, academies of science, student unions, etc.
- **Researchers, scholars, educators, and students** pursuing higher education
- **Indigenous people and community organisations**
- **Civil society organisations** and practitioners
- **Governments**, including Ministries of Education, Ministries of Culture, etc.

GRESIS CAPABILITIES

GreSIS allows users to “look up” knowledge and “link up” with other knowledge producers across the Global South. Resources on GreSIS will be available through Featured Collections as well as a Search function that includes filters to facilitate the identification of material from particular Global South locations and domains of knowledge. Translation of metadata into the four OSC languages (English, French, Arabic, Spanish) will facilitate the accessibility of knowledge shared on GreSIS. GreSIS users can connect through the platform and carry out collaborative research.

ROLE OF MEMBER STATES & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Upon launch of the GreSIS Beta version, the platform will be made exclusively available to institutions within OSC Member States and Associate Members.

Member States can facilitate access to GreSIS by researchers, educators, students, and practitioners by connecting their universities, research institutions, government ministries, and civil society organisations to the GreSIS support team at gresis@osc.int

Associate Members of the OSC will play a pivotal role by supporting the on-boarding of their affiliate organisations, such as universities across the Global South. Associate Members will also provide detailed feedback on the platform for further enhancement, and may even play a technical role enabling advanced features.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

You can benefit from and contribute to GreSIS by taking the following steps:

Contact us

For more information, please contact gresis@osc.int

- **Explore GreSIS** at <https://gresis.osc.int/>.
- **Enrol your institution in GreSIS** by contacting gresis@osc.int, with subject of the email; “Institutional Enrolment to GreSIS”
- **Recommend GreSIS to institutions** in OSC Member States and Associate Members.
- **Use GreSIS to find** academic and endogenous knowledge from the Global South.
- **Share your knowledge** on GreSIS through individual uploads.
- **Link your institution’s repository** to GreSIS by contacting gresis@osc.int.
- **Use GreSIS to pursue transdisciplinary research** with scholars across the Global South.
- **Share GreSIS with students** by linking it to your online university library system.
- **Use GreSIS materials** in your classroom, curricular design, etc.



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