



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### Towards 75 Years Dutch Development Cooperation:

- Gender Event, June 2024
- Launch Food & Agriculture Timeline (Together with FoodFIRST), Autumn 2024
- 75 years OS - 3 Octobre 2024
- Tanzina Timeline Launch, Autumn 2024
- Forestry Timeline Launch, Autumn 2024

For the latest information, check out the [event page](#) on our website!

## Get to know NICC!

Loïs



Hi everyone! I'm Loïs Schinkel, joining the Stichting NICC team as an intern from Amsterdam. I'm excited to contribute to our projects until the summer break. Last summer I graduated with a degree in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics from VU Amsterdam, with a focus on Philosophy and Economics. Additionally, I explored women's studies courses during a minor in Canada. This September, I'm set to begin master's programs in Holocaust & Genocide Studies at UvA and Social Challenges, Policy, and Interventions at UU. At NICC, I'm currently involved in developing the timeline for Gender and Yemen, organizing a gender event, assisting with fundraising efforts, and managing our social media presence. So, keep an eye out for our upcoming Gender event!

I started my internship at NICC because I think it's very interesting to research the development of Gender equality on a geopolitical level and examine how the Netherlands has contributed to this field. I am interested in learning about the various factors that influence international development aid dynamics and critically assess the power structures that are at play.

I look forward to contributing to and learning from the NICC team during my internship!

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# Water Debate

The NICC organized an international cooperation debate in Delft

On 22 March NICC hosted their World Water Day Event at IHE in Delft. This event was prepared by the Water timeline group of NICC. The event was chaired by Esmee Lodder (former intern NICC) with Marene Elgershuizen as debate leader and interns of NICC for technical support. The aim of the day was to get input for future policy direction, specifically from the younger generation. Although the topics had their origin in water, they were selected because of their wider relevance. Opinions on the subjects were recorded before and after the debates.

Sjef Ernes gave an introduction on the definition of a NICC-timeline, linking the past to the present, and presented the WASH timeline. Danielle Hirsh added that the narrative is an essential part of the timelines. The event covered three particular subjects: 'More or less OS', 'Broader or narrower OS' and 'Get much more private finance in water, or not'. On the latter subject, the debate gave some nuance to the common stereotype of private finance. This led to a notable change in preference at the end of the discussion in favour of more private finance, if well-regulated and inclusive.

In his wrap-up, Sjef Ernes concluded that we should pay attention to the narrative of such 'complex' debates about the future. Although 'money' was often at the core of the debate, there is a need to elaborate more on content (what and how) and on efficient and effective aid. The debate showed that we are in search to find compromises between the opposing opinions. Please click [here](#) to read more about the debate.

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**WORLD WATERDAY 2024**  
A DEBATE AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE, POLICY MAKERS AND EXPERTS ON DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

**Debaters**

- Danielle Hirsch (Groenlinks - PvdA)
- Joris van Oppenraaij (Cardano Development)
- Lau Schulpen (Radboud University)
- Marco Schouten (Agriterra)
- Steven van Rossum (WTEX10)

**THEMES**

- NARROW OR BROAD BASED DEVELOPMENT POLICY?
- MORE OR LESS DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION?
- YES OR NO TO PRIVATELY FINANCED WATER INVESTMENTS?

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**MARCH 22 - 2024**  
16.00  
19.00

**Theme 1**

Thesis: More money to development cooperation  
*Lau Schulpen*

Anti-Thesis: Less money to development cooperation  
*Henk Holtslag*

**Theme 2**

Thesis: Broad-based development cooperation policy  
*Danielle Hirsch*

Antithesis: Narrow-based development cooperation policy  
*Steven van Rossum*

Introduction thesis  
*Lise Wijkel RVO*

**Theme 3**

Thesis: Yes to privately financed water investments  
*Joris van Oppenraaij*

Antithesis: No to privately financed water investments  
*Marco Schouten*

Introduction: Maarten Blokland

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## **Help create a sustainable future and write history!**

The NICC Foundation helps create a sustainable future in which the past counts! Recording and sharing the history of international cooperation for sustainable development ensures that experiences, knowledge and stories are not lost and can therefore remain an important source of inspiration for the future.

As a young foundation, we do everything on a voluntary basis. We are therefore dependent on funds and donations in terms of income. That's why we ask you to become a friend of NICC! By supporting us financially, we can realize what we stand for and you help write history!

## **OUR MISSION**

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**1**

NICC provides free access to information about the Dutch history of international cooperation since 1946

### **Collection**

**2**

More than 14,000 documents, brochures, reports, books, objects, photos and videos from circa 1946 to the present

### **Network**

**3**

More than 100 experienced experts (resource persons) share their knowledge in timelines, via online table talks and on request

### **Timelines**

**4**

Timelines provide descriptions and insights into different themes or countries over time

### **Interviews**

**5**

In our image bank of interviews 'through time' we record personal experiences on video



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