

PARTNERING FOR SUSTAINED IMPACT

To find solutions to the pressing development challenges of our time, we need strong partnerships. They cannot be solved by one organisation alone.

The United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 17 — Partnership for the Goals — reflects global recognition that strong partnerships are paramount to achieve the SDGs. The goals are interconnected. So achieving them depends on tackling issues in more than one goal at a time. Oxfam Australia and Monash University aim to contribute to this by working together to tackle the root causes of poverty that affect people around the world.



MONASH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

The Oxfam-Monash Partnership is part of the Monash Sustainable Development Institute (MSDI) at Monash University. Together, we are harnessing the research and education strength of Australia's largest University in interdisciplinary projects to address the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals.

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You can read more about our research projects, findings, workshops, events and student engagement opportunities on our website.

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TWO MISSIONS, ONE GOAL.

The Oxfam-Monash Partnership brings together one of the world's top NGOs with the strength of Australia's largest University to change people's lives for the better.

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AT OXFAM AUSTRALIA AND MONASH UNIVERSITY, WE HAVE OUR DIFFERENT MISSIONS, BUT WE SHARE A COMMON PURPOSE: TO IMPROVE PEOPLE'S LIVES.



Since 2010, we've been working to bring together our different and complementary resources — world leading academic research and development experience, to achieve greater development impact than would otherwise be possible.

Our Partnership, the first of its kind, has a track record of working across multiple goals and has proven policy expertise aligned with key targets set out in the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We believe that the best way to create positive change is to work with communities and give people agency over their own lives.

We also believe that rigorous research and thinking can help us forge new solutions to entrenched problems. By bringing together the best of Oxfam's grassroots approach and the best of Monash's academic expertise, we believe we can create better outcomes for some of the world's most vulnerable people.

We do this through **Participatory Action Research, Practitioner Development and Student Engagement.**

PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH

We believe that to create lasting solutions, we need to be innovative in our research. That's why we use Participatory Action Research methods for all our work. Participatory Action Research is a unique approach that empowers communities in every stage of the process. By applying a feminist lens, we ensure that there is gender and social inclusion; and that communities are supported to actively and equitably engage. Our researchers work closely with communities to identify problems that are affecting them. We then collaboratively co-design the research. The result is a community better equipped to make lasting change and generate knowledge that can be shared.

Our research is linked to the UN SDGs, and **focuses on four key themes:**

- Climate change and resilience
- Gender equality
- Migration and displacement
- Social accountability

We work across the regions of South East Asia, the Pacific and Africa and have conducted research in Timor Leste, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Cambodia and Bangladesh. We're currently scoping new research in Vanuatu, South Africa, Pakistan and Indonesia.



PRACTITIONER DEVELOPMENT

Every year, we provide opportunities for the development community to come together and share knowledge, ideas and experiences.

- We **present our research findings** and discuss what they mean for the development sector, what we are achieving and what our work means for the future.
- We provide **workshop opportunities for development practitioners** to explore and confront common challenges, share their knowledge, and collaborate with others in the development community.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

The Oxfam-Monash Partnership provides unique opportunities for Monash students to contribute to both the work of Oxfam and the development sector, and also to increase their skills.

- We offer **Internships** to Monash students in research and communications projects.
- The **Oxfam-Monash Partnership Award for Research Impact** recognises the best Monash Masters of International Development Practice student and thesis each year.