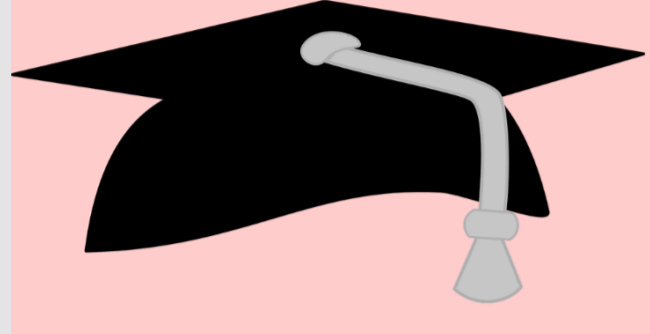
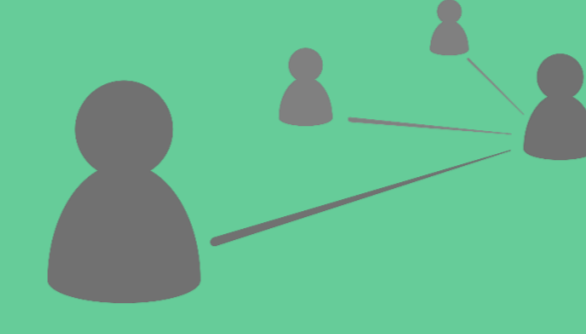


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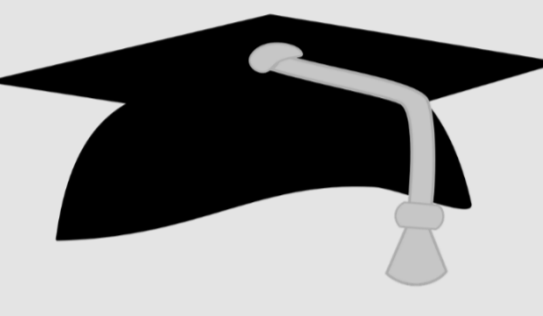
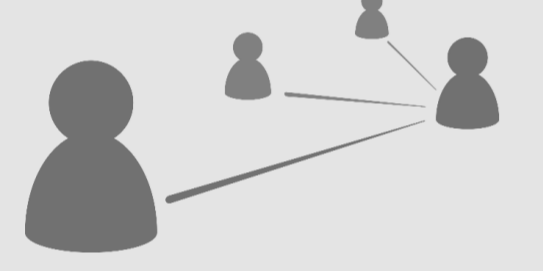


The partnership will establish a Master's training programme in health systems research and management at KNUST in Ghana. This will contribute to (1) the strengthening of health systems research and management capacity in Ghana and (2) the strengthening of capacity in development cooperation at TU Berlin.

Networking



The partnership will create a platform for researchers, students, alumni, and policy-makers to engage in dialogues about the future development of the health system in Ghana. In addition, it will establish a network of researchers working in similar areas at KNUST and at TU Berlin.

		2017		2018		2019		2020	
		Jan-June	July-Dec	Jan-June	July-Dec	Jan-June	July-Dec	Jan-June	July-Dec
	Workshops	Kick-off & Curriculum Development 1	Curriculum Development 2	Teaching Material Adjustment 1		Teaching Material Adjustment 2	Review, Evaluation and Adjustment		Final Evaluation and Curriculum Review
	Short Courses		Health Systems Research and Management		Good Scientific Practice				
	Teaching				Cohort 1: TUB teaching Block I	Cohort 2: Co-teaching TUB/KNUST Block II	Cohort 3: KNUST teaching Block I		
	Project Work, Thesis					Cohort 1: Excursion, Project Work, Thesis	Cohort 2: Excursion, Project Work		
	Health Policy Dialogues		I Ghana Health Policy Dialogue		II Ghana Health Policy Dialogue		III Ghana Health Policy Dialogue		IV Ghana Health Policy Dialogue
	KNUST Staff Consultation			Stakeholder Consultations					

Overview of activities

The project consists of a mix of activities, which will be carried out between January 2017 and December 2020. Most importantly, this includes a series of (1) workshops, (2) short courses, (3) teaching on the new Master's programme, (4) project work, and (5) KNUST staff consultations.

Workshops

The new master's programme will be developed during several workshops, held in Germany and Ghana. The curriculum will draw on existing course modules taught at TU Berlin and at KNUST. Teaching material adjustments workshops will allow to tailor the courses to the needs of students in Ghana.

Short Courses

One short course in Managing and Researching Health

Systems taught at TU Berlin will be offered to KNUST staff and German MPH graduates intending to work in Africa. This will prepare KNUST staff for teaching and contribute to networking. KNUST staff will also participate in a TU Berlin seminar on Good Scientific Practice, which will contribute to improved capacity in the area.

Teaching on the Master's programme

TU Berlin will contribute at least four modules to the new Master's programme, which will initially be taught by TU Berlin staff in collaboration with KNUST staff. KNUST staff will progressively take over teaching of original TU Berlin modules.

Project Work

At least three students from each cohort will have the opportunity to do internships and research projects at TU Berlin. This will contribute to strengthening links of future

researchers and policy-makers in Ghana with TU Berlin.

Health Policy Dialogues

Dialogues are organized annually in Ghana to establish strong links between students of the Master's programme, alumni of German universities working in health system related fields in Ghana, researchers and policy-makers – including mainly the Ministry of Health, health services departments, hospitals and health facility managers, health practitioners and managers of health care programmes.

KNUST Staff Consultation

With the support of TU Berlin, KNUST staff in Ghana will engage in year-round small-size stakeholder meetings. The purpose is to allow them to develop capacity in communicating effectively with policy-makers and to develop a strong network.

Background and Objectives

Ghana's health system has undergone major transformational changes during the early 2000s, which resulted amongst other in the introduction of the national health insurance scheme in 2003. These reforms have brought numerous challenges for the health system, including challenges to assure the quality of care, improving capacity of providers, developing efficient payment mechanisms, prioritizing resources to the poor, and improving

information systems. To address these challenges, stakeholders need sufficient capacity in health systems research and management but capacity is currently limited in Ghana. The ultimate aim of this project is to support the strengthening of the health system in Ghana through improved capacity in health systems research and management. The project has four main objectives, which together will achieve this aim. More specifically, the objectives are:

1. To establish a Master's programme in health systems research and management at KNUST.
2. To establish two network of researchers, students, alumni, and policy-makers.
3. To establish a network of researchers working in similar areas at KNUST and at TU Berlin.
4. To strengthen capacity of researchers at TU Berlin to engage in development cooperation.

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