

# GLOBAL PARTNERS GERMANY - ALUMNI PROGRAMME

## Lifelong Learning for Worldwide Change

Our Mission Statement: “We manage change”. The Global Partners Germany Alumni Programme implements holistically, draws on extensive experience and works closely with our partners to manage change in the lives of 76,000 alumni worldwide.

GIZ understands that a few days or weeks at a workshop cannot create effective and long-lasting change. Relationships grow over time, and ideas need time to develop into sustainable solutions. Our programme is built around lifelong learning and networking that is essential for decision-makers and professionals.

The Global Partners Germany - Alumni Programme offers face-to-face and virtual solutions for alumni to stay connected and continue ‘learning-by-doing’ for the rest of their lives. Only through this kind of worldwide networking and knowledge-sharing we can truly tackle global challenges.

The Alumni Programme is open to all Cambodians that would like to contribute to Cambodian-German international cooperation, or feel an allegiance to Germany and its values. Alumni are united through their similar interests, work experiences, studying in Germany, or through close cooperation with GIZ programmes in the field.

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## Connect Globally Act Locally

Technology is central to the Alumni Programme’s success. As alumni come from all over the world, virtual communication works well to establish and develop our global knowledge network. GIZ offers internet-based participation for alumni including,

- Global Campus 21: GIZ’s virtual platform for e-learning and cooperation (<http://www.gc21-eacademy.org>)
- Alumni-Portal Deutschland: A website dedicated to keeping German alumni worldwide connected ([www.alumniportal-deutschland.org](http://www.alumniportal-deutschland.org)).

As the internet cannot fully replace personal relationships, the Alumni Programme offers numerous face-to-face seminars, workshops and conferences. It allows quick access to professional resources and enables alumni to stay in-touch with each other, with GIZ and with Germany. These resources offer alumni the support they need to address challenges within their communities more effectively.



Photo left: Training on Organizational Development in Sihanouk Ville

Photo right: Training course on Strategic Planning



Seminar and study tour in Germany on Capacity Building for Effective Health

Khmer - German Talk Conference

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## A New Kind of Social Network

Do you think that you know the limits of what the internet has to offer? Think again. The sites available to GIZ alumni offer a range of content and connections that are not available anywhere else. In addition to networking with friends, colleagues and professional contacts made during their initial workshop or training programme, these sites enable members to build and expand their networks to include others from around the world.

Global Campus 21 offers e-learning courses, interactive workgroups, seminars, forum and other learning platforms for alumni to engage in. The Alumni-Portal Deutschland presents social and professional networking at its best, posting job and career opportunities as well as a variety of content related to arts and culture, science, business, education, and German language and society.

Additionally, the Alumni Programme has offered e-learning courses in management, marketing and motivation, leadership and strategy, and intercultural communication.

## The Alumni Programme at Work in Cambodia

Cambodia is a priority partner country for German Development Cooperation. Priority areas for our cooperation include rural development, health and social security, and good governance. Recent Alumni and Partners Programme projects have included social gatherings and networking to expand our alumni circle.

**“Communication is the key to success. As I learned from my time with the GIZ, no problem is unsolvable when you have a support network. The lens in which I view the world has changed now.”**

**Julien Fallendorf, German Alumni in Cambodia**

In 2012, GIZ supported 20 participants to attend the Khmer Rouge Tribunal Fellowship Programme. This Programme promoted reconciliation in Cambodia through a multi-week workshop including visits to Germany and the Netherlands as well as professional internships.

These participants will not lose touch with each other or with what they learned. They will maintain a lifelong connection to GIZ through the opportunities afforded by the Alumni Programme.

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