

# MAKING SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION WORK

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# History of the Group of 77 and China

- Founded in Algiers, Algeria, in 1964
- First South Summit : in Havana, Cuba, in 2000.
- Second South Summit : in Doha, Qatar, in 2005.
- Third South Summit : due to be held in Africa in 2010.

# South-South cooperation in the field of Science and Technology

Initiated 30 years ago in Buenos  
Aires, Argentina, in 1978.

# 2005: Second South Summit in Doha, Qatar

## Action Plan

- Human resources and institutional capacity building in water, energy, health, agriculture and biodiversity management.
- Enabling technologies like ICT, biotechnology and nanotechnology.

# 3 Sept. 2006 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

The Ministers of Science and Technology of the G77 and China met at the :

- General Conference of the Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) and
- General Assembly of the Third World Network of Scientific Organisations (TWNSO)

3 Sept. 2006 in Rio de Janeiro,  
Brazil

The Third World Network of Scientific Organisations (TWNSO) decided to become the Consortium on Science, Technology and Innovation for the South (COSTIS).

# The Consortium on Science, Technology and Innovation for the South (COSTIS)

Its creation was endorsed by the Ministers of  
Foreign Affairs of the G77 and China in  
New York on 22 September 2006.

# UNESCO's Executive Board

## October 2007

- Underscored the importance of South-South and triangular South-North-South cooperation in the field of science and technology
- Requested the Director-General to reinforce UNESCO's support

# South-South cooperation in science and technology

## Proposals :

- Political aspect to be addressed mainly by the Joint Co-ordination Committee (JCC) of the Non-Aligned Movement and of the G77 and China
- Academic, scientific, technical and administrative aspects to be addressed by a multilateral executive bureau

# Multilateral Executive Bureau with Regional Offices

- Support the creation of thematic research networks
- Provide support to conferences
- Offer scholarships
- Organise training courses, seminars ...
- Support publications
- Contribute to junior scientific and/or academic staff
- Promote the use of ICT in research and higher education
- Etc.

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Seeks to develop triangular South-North-  
South cooperation

Thank you for your attention