

# VLIR Nagoya Protocol Learning Network

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# Flemish Inter-university Council

- Established in 1976
- Autonomous council, financed by the Flemish universities
- Objectives:
  - to facilitate **dialogue and cooperation** between the Flemish universities
  - to develop **common grounds and initiatives**
- Interacts with government bodies in all matters concerning higher education policy





- Special entity of VLIR
- Objectives:
  - to support **partnerships** between Flemish higher education and the South, including governments, NGOs and business partners
- ‘Global Minds’, International Training and Master programmes, Policy Supporting Research, Scholarships; 20 partner countries





# Flemish Inter-university Council

- Education & Quality Assurance
- Research & Innovation
- Management & Administration
- Internationalisation
- Diversity & Social Policy



# WG Science, Ethics & Integrity

- **Reports to the WG Research & Innovation**  
(as do the WG Tech Transfer Offices, WG Doctoral Schools, WG EU Research, WG RDM & OS)
- **Mission with respect to the Nagoya Protocol:** to coordinate on the implementation of obligations for universities, strive for a streamlined approach

# WG Science, Ethics & Integrity

1. Develop user-friendly **tools** in the implementation of the new regulations by users and collection holders
2. Contribute to **awareness raising**, the training of users and the development of user-friendly communication to users and collections
3. To give **input to the government** with regard to legislation and policy actions



# Nagoya Protocol Learning Network

- Acts as a **venue for collecting information** on current developments, sharing views, highlighting potential areas of concern
- Aims to **build a better understanding** of the interactions between and implications of the Nagoya Protocol and the practice of collection, circulation, and use of (traditional knowledge related to) genetic resources









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