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# Main objectives

- a) to consolidate the institutional dimension of the teaching & research programs that focus on aspects of management of cultural diversity, minorities & migrants' agency, and to improve the training programs;
- b) to implement innovative comparative research projects and produce publications, including a new multilingual journal;
- c) to produce new theoretical & comparative frameworks and conceptual tools in the field of governance of cultural diversity at different levels.

#### How to achieve them

GOVDIV uses several strategies to achieve its aims and objectives:

- a) Secondments & mobility of senior and junior researchers to partners institutions.
- b) Methodological Workshops
- c) Summer Schools
- d) Final Conference
- f) Publications
- e) Organizations of scientific events and activities with visiting scholars

#### Relevance

The governance of cultural diversity is at the core of global policies for human rights and development. It is a crucial issue for Europe, Latin America and fone way to developing a common area of research in the wake of globalization.

GOVDIV represents an opportunity to discuss and share experiences of cultural diversity while finding common grounds to understand these issues by comparing experiences, identifying policies and learning from each other, in order to make policy recommendations for the future.



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### Collaborations

This project hopes to build a stronger institutionalisation of the existing and new collaborations among partner institutions, valuing transfer of knowledge on cultural diversity, through the realization of methodological workshops and summer schools, secondments and common publications. Further collaborations include the organization of common events in internacional conferences, seminars and other academic venues.

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# Methodological Workshops

Take place in Latin American partners institutions, aiming at developing join discussions on methodological aspects & approaches to cultural diversity and building conceptual frameworks. Florianopolis, Oaxaca and Buenos Aires host these events.



## **Summer Schools**

Take place in EU partners institutions, focusing on selected topics related to cultural diversity, applying the methodological aspects developed during the workshops in specific case studies at different levels of governance. Summer schools normally take place in Florence.

### **Aims**

The overall aim of this project is to create a transnational interdisciplinary research and a training network between European and Latin American Universities and Research Centres in order to promote transfer of knowledge and to produce innovative research in the field of the multilevel governance of cultural diversity in a comparative perspective.



# **Implications**

The governance of cultural diversity is a key issue for contemporary society. Accommodating cultural diversity while recognizing differences and promoting equal participation in the public sphere is a current and relevant task for policy-makers and analysts.

Developing a comparative approach on how EU-Latin America societies approach the governance of cultural diversity at the national and local level, in plural and multiethnic societies is an important mission of this academic network. Thus GOVDIV's challenge is to suggest new paths for policies and governance at local, national and at EU-level.