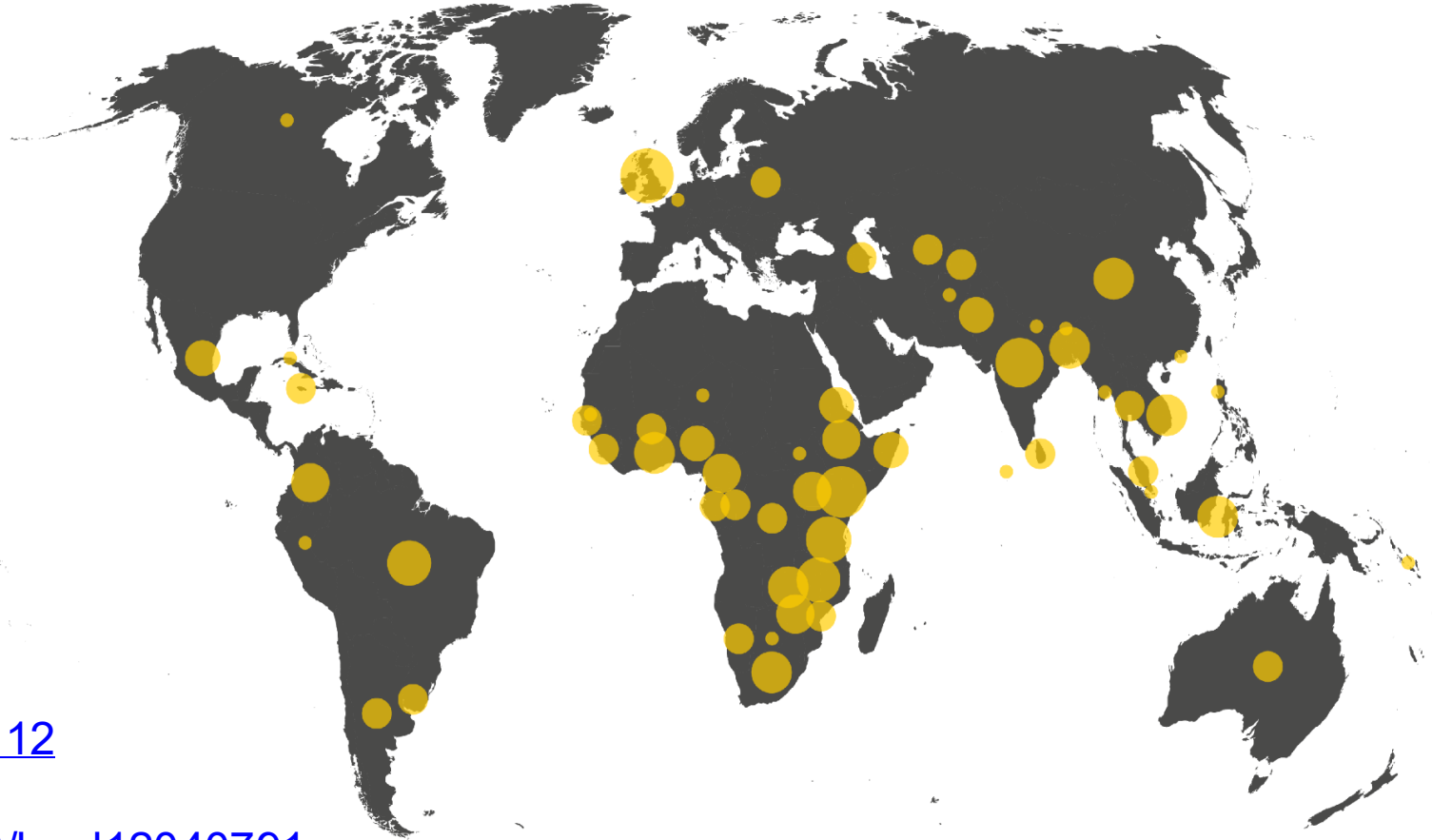


# **The unimagined and unforeseen impacts of long-standing North-South collaborations on the research ecosystems in host sub-Saharan African countries**

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# North-South partnerships



Sub-Saharan  
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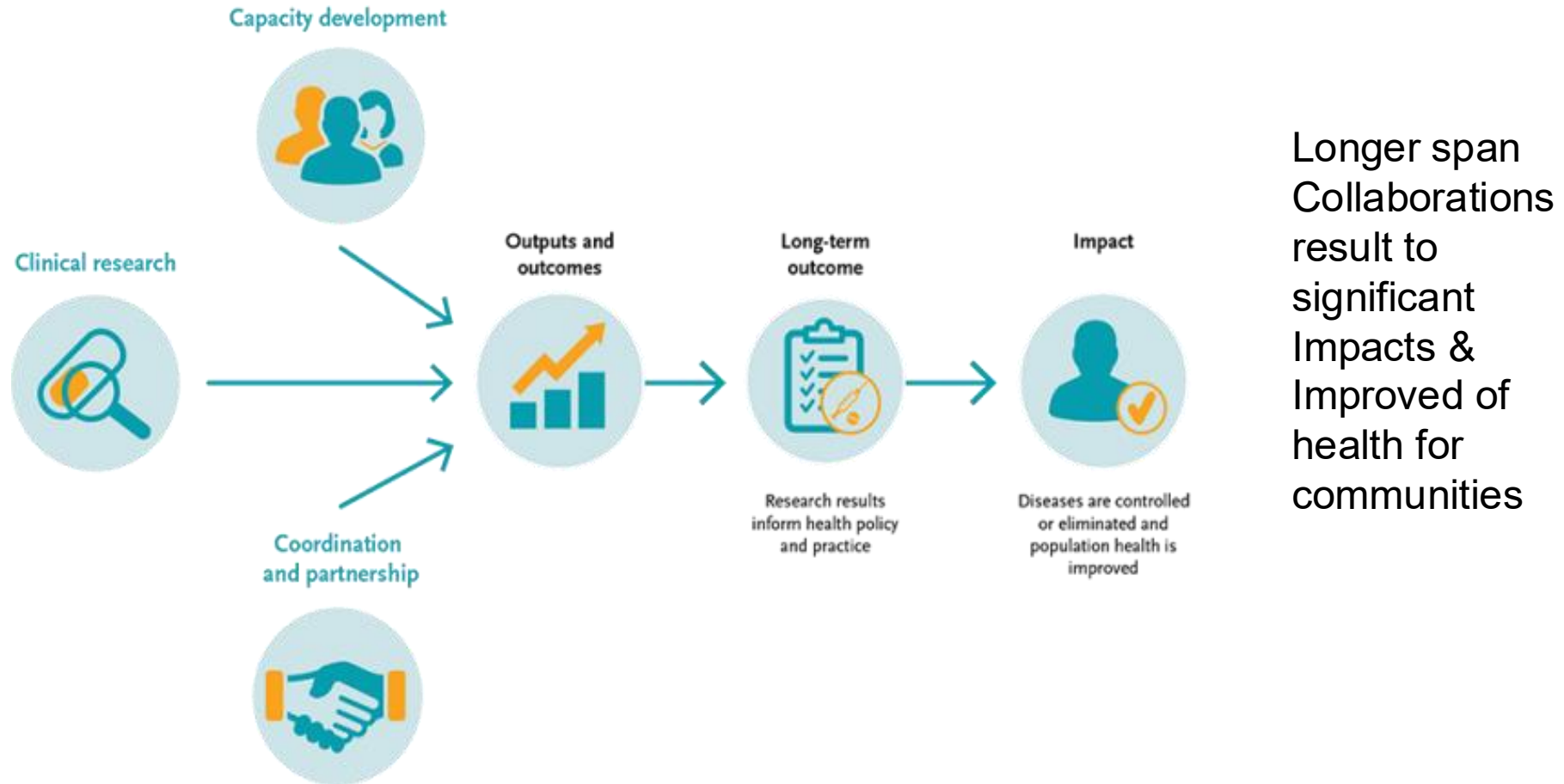
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# Impact of the North-South partnerships



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# Equity

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## **Global South:**

- Some have well established frameworks for N-S collaboration
- Others don't
- Others still developing

## **N-S collaboration:**

- Economic disparities,
- Unequal distribution of research funding
- Cultural and institutional norms

# Condition for the North-South partnerships

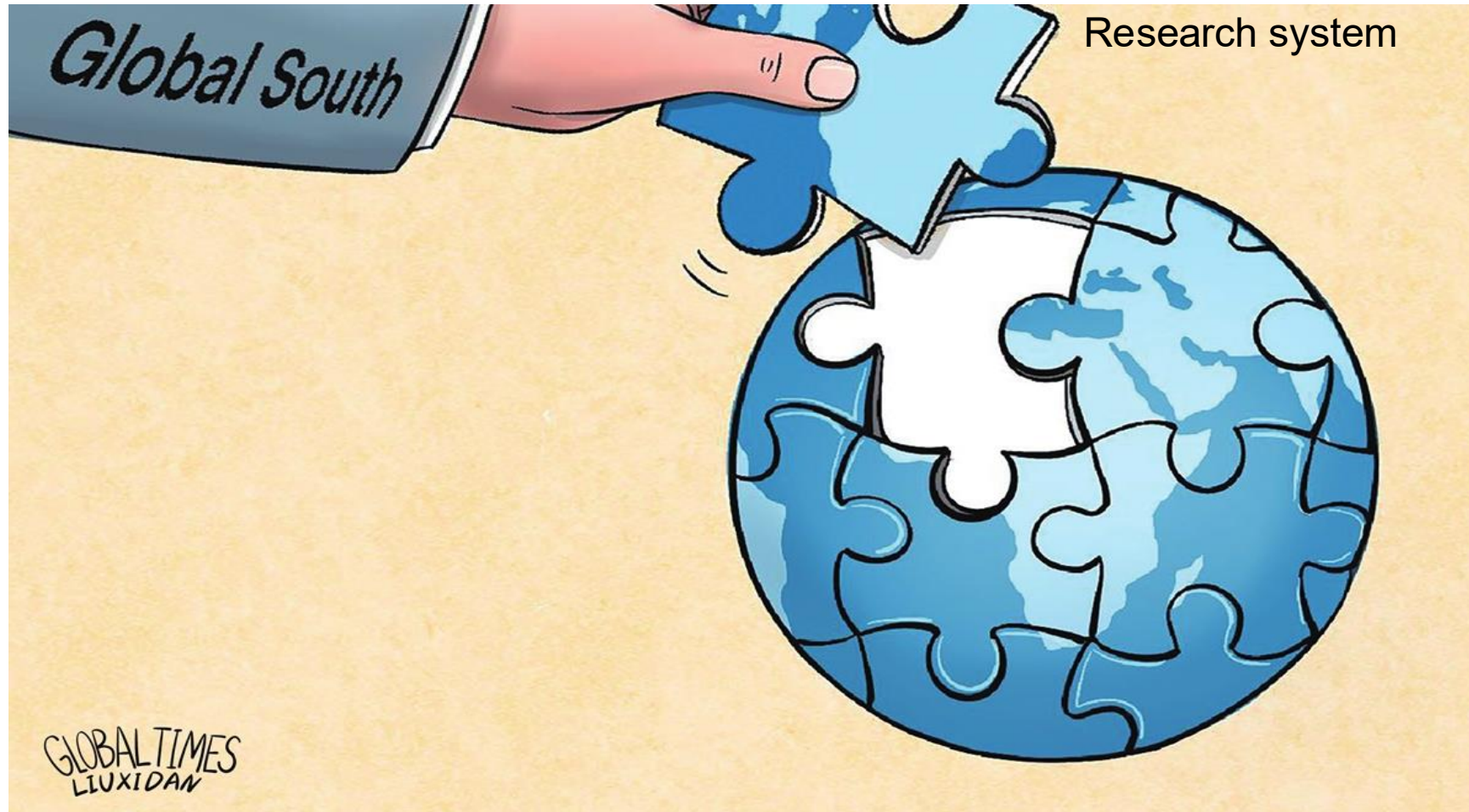


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# Impact of the North-South collaborations



- Health research facilities
- Empowered researchers
- Academic programmes
- Research funding
- Improved of health for communities



# Impact of empowering some Global South institutions



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# Inequity in the Global South



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# **Dominant Global North-empowered African institutions**

Are likely to have a significant influence in the national research systems to the extent of influencing the national regulatory bodies to adopt the foreign-influenced yet less relevant health research policies (Oria, 2023; Odoch, et al., 2022).

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# **Dominant Global North-empowered African institutions**

May reluctantly yield to the directives of the national regulator thus occasioning inequality in monitoring and (re) accreditation processes.



# Dominant Global North-empowered African institutions



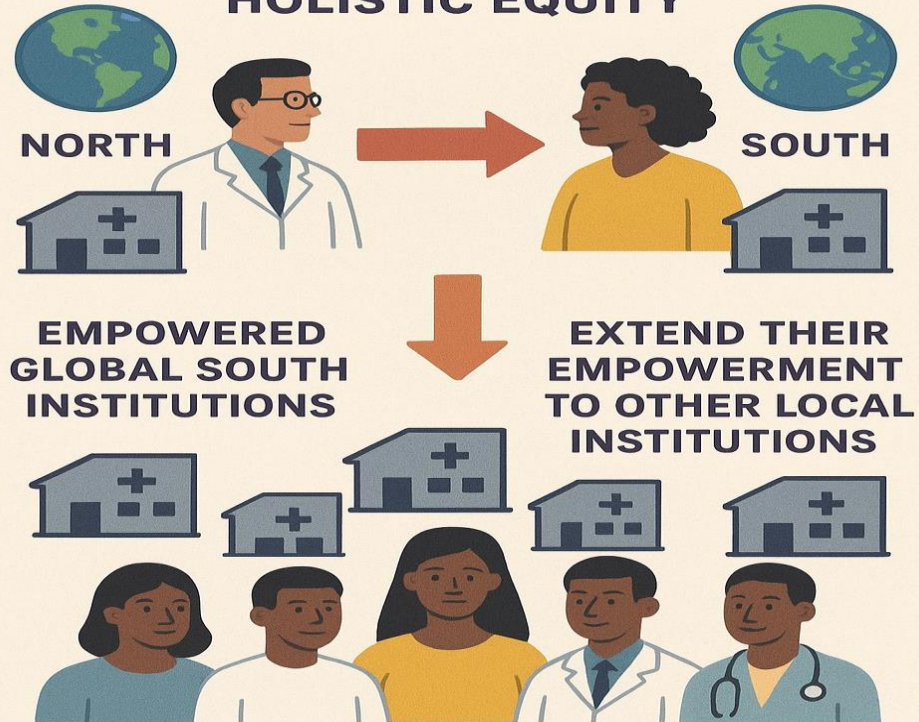
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The exposure to international partnerships may propel the more experienced sub-Saharan Africa institutions to appreciate and easily comply with the local health research systems in comparison to the non-collaborative institutions (Yakubu and Adebamowo, 2012)

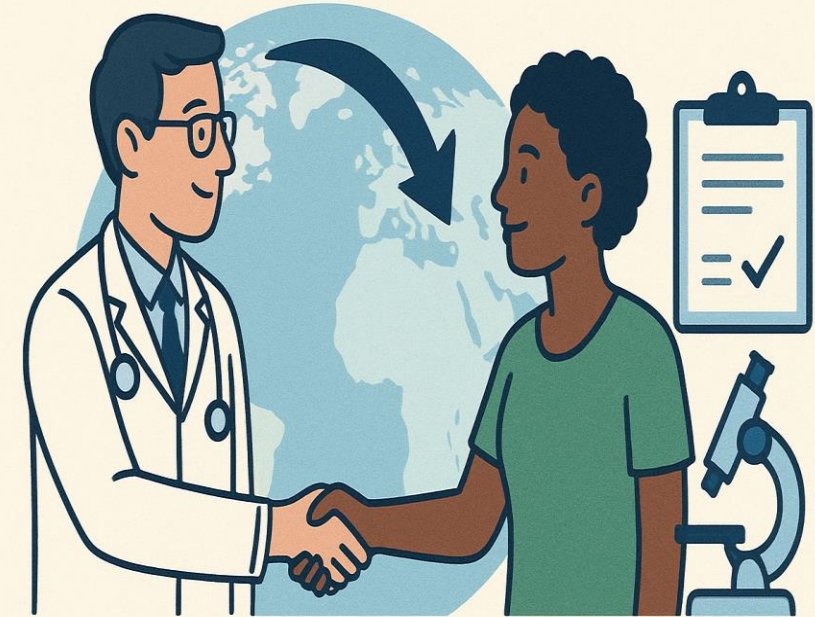
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# Recommendation

## NORTH-SOUTH HEALTH RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS BUILT ON THE RATIONALE OF HOLISTIC EQUITY



## NORTH-SOUTH HEALTH RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS



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