

ITM students win prize of Province of Antwerp

The Development Cooperation Prize is awarded yearly to students in Antwerp

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Eight laureates of the Development Cooperation Prize were welcomed by the provincial authorities on Monday afternoon 17 September. Four of them are former ITM master students (2017-2018). This prize is awarded to students whose master thesis focuses on either economic, political, social, legal, cultural or environmental aspects in the South or public health or human and animal medicine. The Province of Antwerp has been handing out this award since 1996.

Rik Röttger, Deputy of Global Policy at the Province in Antwerp, presented the prizes: "We try to stimulate students several times during their school career, and especially to think about international relations. That is why we have the provincial prize for development cooperation at university level. We believe it is important to motivate and reward students through this prize in their academic approach and research regarding development cooperation, because those are also important aspects of global cooperation. This way we transform this and the next generation into world citizens."

The four ITM laureates are:

1. Ismail Mahat Bashir from Kenya, who completed the Master of Science in Public Health – Disease Control programme. His [thesis](#) is entitled "Malaria parasitaemia in children under 14 years in the lake endemic region of Kenya - Prevalence, risk factors and opportunities to overcome them in a declining phase of disease".
2. Meena Putturaj from India completed the Master of Science in Public Health – Health Systems Management and Policy programme. She wrote her [thesis](#) on "Demystifying the enigma of policy implementation: The case of Karnataka Private Medical Establishment Act".
3. Dr. Helen Titi Sagay from Nigeria completed the Master of Science in Public Health –International Health. Her [thesis](#) is entitled "ART uptake and retention in community-based and facility-based Treat All, in Benue state, Nigeria - A retrospective cohort study".
4. Dr. Anna Susanna Smit (Cloete), from South Africa is the laureate of the Master of Science in Tropical Animal Health programme. Her [thesis](#) is entitled "Evaluation of anti-bovine, anti-equine and recombinant protein A/G horseradish peroxidase conjugates for cross-reactivity to wildlife serum antibodies using ELISA."