

#### *(IV) International aspects*

In an effort to enhance the role of Canadian universities in international development projects abroad, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) provided the funds for the establishment of the International Development Office (IDO) as part of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada in 1977.

The IDO facilitates linkage agreements between Canadian universities and their counterparts in Third World countries, and acts as an information clearing house to Canadian universities and Canadian and foreign agencies involved in international development.