

Research for Health Africa

SUPPORTING COUNTRY RESEARCH GOVERNANCE AND INNOVATION

Monitoring and Evaluating at INS



Mozambique's Instituto Nacional de Saúde (INS) has not only been able to make recommendations for implementing a Monitoring and Evaluation framework, but also clarify their strategic planning process thanks to a recent R4HA workshop.

The workshop, held at INS in Maputo, provided a general familiarisation of the Outcome Mapping process as well as developing a monitoring and evaluation plan to assess the core programmes and activities of the INS.

Contact Emanuel Souvairan (souvairan@cohred.org) for further details on Monitoring and Evaluation workshops.

COSTECH CRWeb implemented

The COHRED team has completed the finishing touches to COSTECH's CRWeb system to allow them to manage their research process from Calls for Proposals through to clearance and Publishing Research Results.

The technology behind the platform is COHRED's RHInnO system. COSTECH are looking forward to implementing their first full call for proposals later this month.

R4HA illustrates Strengthening Research Governance

Key African decision-makers and public health actors heard how the Research for Health Africa Programme contributes to Strengthening Research Governance at DNDi's meeting to mark a decade of neglected diseases in Africa in June.

NEPAD's Bruno Kubata and COHRED Africa's Boitumelo Mokgatla-Moipolai addressed the meeting participants, giving them an insight into the R4HA programme and COHRED's RHInnO Ethics platform – <u>click here</u> to watch the RHInnO Ethics video.



West and Central African researchers met in Dakar in June to identify priority funding areas for the European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) – now moving towards its second programme phase. COHRED's Sylvia de Haan was invited to attend the meeting and explored opportunities for R4HA and COHRED to collaborate with these institutions. Research governance, and ethics governance were key issues brought forward by participants. Discussion with EDCTP and partners will continue, with the EDCTP Forum to be held in Dakar in October this year providing another exchange opportunity.





NEWS IN BRIEF

Stars in Global Health

Grand Challenges Canada, which is funded by the Government of Canada, has developed the Stars in Global Health program to support Bold Ideas with Big Impact from the best and brightest talent, both in low- and middle-income countries and in Canada, to use scientific/technical, social and business innovation to address some of the most pressing global health challenges. To find out more visit their website.

Africa Update – an overview of other COHRED projects within Africa

Now available is COHRED's booklet on **Fair Research Contracting** – the guide highlights the key issues for consideration when entering into formalised research partnerships, and provides tools and resources for negotiating fairer research contracts. Read more about the project and download the guide by <u>clicking here</u>.

The first-ever National Agenda for Research for Health is on the horizon for Guinea Bissau after a four-year endeavour supported by COHRED and the West African Health Organisation (WAHO). COHRED is delighted to see a successful end to the long process which defined national priorities in research for health, despite setbacks caused by political unrest in 2012 that almost brought the project to a complete standstill. Read more about Guinea Bissau by clicking here.