Tanzania Study Visit

Strengthening
Research & Innovation
Systems for Health
and Development
in Africa



Programme Overview

Dar es Salaam

5-8 November 2012





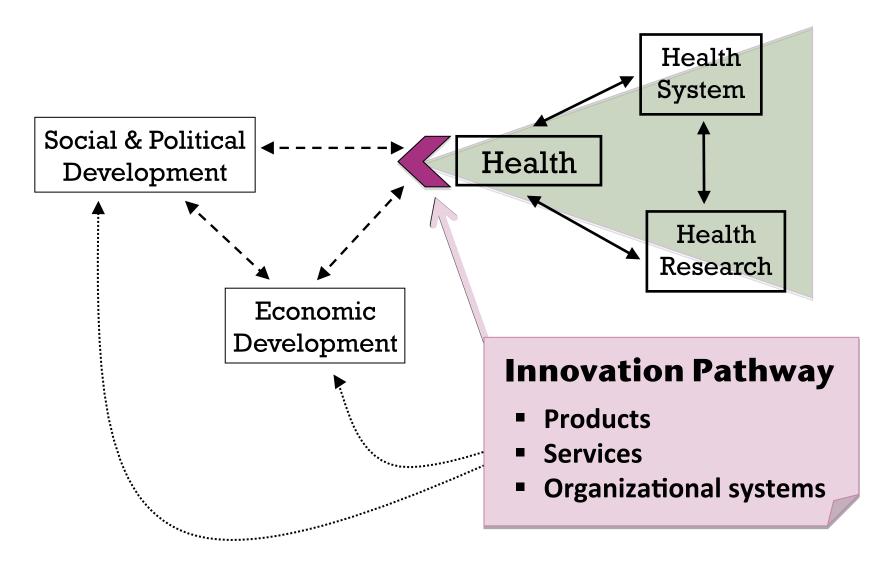
Lead up to the study visit



- COHRED is working in partnership with:
 - The NEPAD Agency R4HA programme
 - WAHO West Africa programme
- Both programmes are focused on strengthening research for health governance systems
- Networking is a key programme component
- A satellite session involving both programmes was held before the Forum 2012 in Cape Town, April 2012
- Country representatives expressed interest in the Tanzania experience for system strengthening

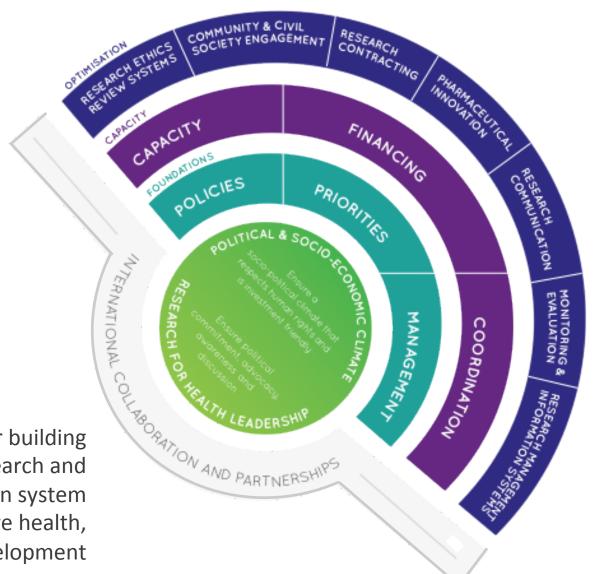
Research for Health





COHRED's System Development Framework





Framework for building a national research and and innovation system to improve health, equity and development

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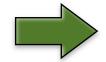


Setting the context

- ■Introduction to the research for health system strengthening programmes
 - Research for Health Africa (R4HA) programme: The NEPAD Agency
 - West Africa programme: WAHO

Setting the scene

- Research governance systems overview
 - Tanzania experience: NIMR and COSTECH
 - Country systems "Open Space" session



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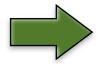


- Research for health priority setting
 - Priority setting example: Mozambique
 - Strategies for aligning national priorities with funding: Liberia
- Monitoring and evaluation (M&E) introduction: COHRED
 - Several sessions throughout the programme to address M&E
 - Emphasis on measuring research for health return on investment
 - Establishing a national M&E system

Tuesday, 6 November



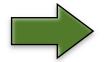
- Research governance management information systems
 - Overview of Research for Health & Innovation Organizer
 (RHInnO) and Health Research Web (HRWeb): COHRED
 - Customized module examples: COSTECH
 - Country need and key issues: WAHO



Tuesday, 6 November (continued)



- Spotlight on research ethics review
 - Standardizing and strengthening coordination of the research ethics review process: COHRED
 - RHInnO Ethics platform overview: COHRED
 - Customized RHInnO Ethics platforms in development: NIMR & Senegal
 - Research ethics World Café: COHRED



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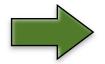


- M&E: A framework and indicators for measuring returns on investment in research for health
- Engaging civil society research organizations –Session #1
 - Research on Poverty Alleviation (REPOA) role, functions and collaboration

Wednesday, 7 November



- From research to action Communicating more effectively with decision makers: COHRED, Knight International Fellow, and NIMR
 - Strengthening health messages to policy makers (overview)
 - The media, policy makers and the public perspective
 - Overcoming challenges and identifying potential solutions
 - The Tanzania experience
- African research for health policy data bank initiative: The NEPAD Agency



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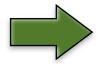


- Dialogue on country resource needs: COHRED
 - Beginning discussion on country resourcing issues and needs
 - Exploring resource opportunities together
- Engaging civil society research organizations Session #2
 - Ifakara Health Institute (IHI) group visit role, functions and collaboration
- Group dinner Mediterraneo Restaurant, Kawe Beach

Thursday, 8 November



- Establishing an M&E system at the national level:
 COHRED
- Strengthening regional partnerships: WAHO and The NEPAD Agency
- Strengthening systems at the national level: NIMR and COSTECH
 - Management capacity
 - Moving forward to strengthen system components



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- How the programmes can support country efforts: COHRED
- ■Wrap-up
- Participant organized side meetings

Tanzania study visit output



Targeted report on research for health system strengthening in Africa:

- ■Country need
- Lessons learned
- Major issues
- ■Successes/challenges
- Recommendations

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Why address research & innovation?



- Research and innovation are key drivers of technical, social and economic development in low- and middle-income countries
- The full potential of using these drivers remains to be fully realised
- No country has progressed to a higher income level without substantial and sustained investments in research and technology development
- ■BRICS countries, among others, demonstrate this: Brazil, India, China, South Africa

Why *invest in* research & innovation?



Nations' economic change and sustainable development are to a large measure accounted for by investments in science, technology and innovation.

It is ... the ability of countries to produce, harness and wisely use scientific knowledge and related technological innovations that transform economies and stimulate human development.

NEPAD (2007) Governing Science, Technology and Innovation in Africa, Building National and Regional Capacities to Develop and Implement Strategies and Policies

