A workshop was held as a satellite session to Forum2012 (www.forum2012.org) in Cape Town in April, focusing on Strengthening Research and Innovation Systems for Health and Development in Africa. The workshop was a great opportunity to bring partners from the R4HA programme and COHRED’s West Africa Project together, including representation from WAHO. Also joining were potential partners, interested Forum participants and development partners (pictured above). Read more about the workshop and the summary report by visiting the R4HA website: www.cohred.org/r4ha-latest-news/

Country Achievements

**Mozambique** - R4HA has given technical support to INS (Instituto Nacional de Saúde) in developing a questionnaire to identify health research priorities in Mozambique. The data will be used at the forthcoming priority-setting workshop scheduled for 2 – 3 August in Maputo. Whilst in Mozambique, the R4HA team will also visit Manhiça Health Research Centre to learn about their work and share information about R4HA and COHRED’s HRWeb. (www.healthresearchweb.org)

**Senegal** – Work is underway to hold a priority setting workshop with the Ministry of Health in Senegal in September. Links are being strengthened between R4HA and COHRED’s West Africa programme as Senegal is involved in both. Agreements are being finalised for providing Senegal with RHInnO (www.RHInnO.net) – a customised, web-based research ethics review platform.

**Tanzania** – following a number of meetings and workshops working towards developing a national research agenda, COSTECH is finalising a list of priorities for the nation covering 42 sub-sectors. With regard to C-Web, COSTECH’s on-line research management system, Version1 of the proposal review system should be finalised by end of July with discussions already taking place for development of other modules. With NIMR, work is underway to transform the existing manual research ethics review process into a web-based system using COHRED’s RHInnO Ethics Platform (www.RHInnO.net).