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Sustainable Investments into Research and Innovation for Health.

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Welcome to COHRED Colloquium III

“Investing in Research and Innovation for Health”

Research and Innovation are key drivers for health, equity and development. Many low and middle income countries remain dependent on external sources for their national research and innovation budgets – which are largely limited to collaborative research agreements in the fields of public health and agriculture. The reason for this is relatively simple but not sufficient for the future: international collaborative research happens mostly to solve ‘international’ health goals that focus on a small group of diseases, and on increasing local and global food security. Research and innovation have – so far – not been considered by the traditional donors and aid sector as key areas to support for national development.

However, this picture is changing – and the Council on Health Research for Development (COHRED)’s Colloquium III wants to help create a space in which ‘investing in research and innovation for health’ becomes a key part of development thinking and of ‘global health diplomacy’. For this, we have teamed up with the Lancet Commission on Investing in Health (CIH) which serves as a 20-year anniversary research and consultative project to reflect on the importance today and for the future of the key findings of the ground-breaking World Development Report (WDR) of 1993 ‘Investing in Health’. It is clear that research for health has made major contributions to improving health and equity since 1993. As both COHRED and the 1993 WDR celebrate their 20th Anniversary this year – this forms an excellent backdrop against which to bring ‘research and innovation’ to the fore as key to achieving health, equity and development globally.

“Tanzania wants to be a middle income country by 2025, and science and technology will help us to achieve that” – so said Minister Makame Mbarawa, Tanzania’s minister of Communication, Science and Technology during Forum 2012 in Cape Town, South Africa in April last year. That is one side of the ‘investment’ debate – increasing national research and innovation budgets. Many low income countries are beginning to invest – based on national health and development priorities, and this is crucial to success. Without national investments – based on credibly set, regularly updated, and system-wide priorities – low and middle income countries will remain limited to what external sources have to offer and on the priorities they set.

A second side of the ‘investment’ debate is donor aid. For many years, ‘research-supportive’ donors have been providing small budgets for individual and some institutional ‘research capacity building’ – often with ring-fenced budgets for health and agricultural research in low income countries. There is a major shift happening here – with an increasing entry of the science and technology sectors of high income nations entering the international research collaboration field – often joining forces with their ‘aid agency’ – counterparts. Research and innovation are being redefined as bilateral cooperation with the potential for substantial increases in the resources – human and financial – that can be brought to bear on global health and development problems and potentials.

Linking ‘research’ to ‘innovation’ is a third key aspect of this debate. Without an environment in which capital is available to move from ‘research outputs’ towards ‘technology development’ and – onwards – to social innovation and scaling up – investments made will not reach optimal potential. An example: a pharmaceutical start-up in an African country requiring a \$2 million loan could only get such capital at a monthly interest of 18%. Legislation, financial arrangements to support innovation, funding that bridges research and innovation – public and private sector participation, intellectual property rights, and high level institutional research contracting capacity – are just some of the features of a national environment that is conducive to research and innovation for health, equity and development.

The COHRED Colloquium III intends to push this forward on the global development agenda. In teaming up with the Commission on Investing in Health, we can help define the Commission’s Report in terms of ‘investing in health research and innovation’ – which is due in December this year.

COHRED’s Colloquia are small on numbers and high on interaction, creativity and connecting potential. We trust you will use it and enjoy it to the full.

Carel Ijsselmuiden
Executive Director: COHRED





About COHRED

The Council on Health Research for Development (COHRED) is a non-profit organisation with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Our board and staff represent low- and middle-income countries – the majority are residents and citizens of the countries we work with. COHRED is founded on the belief of ‘Health for All’ – that health is everyone’s right and is essential for individuals, families and countries to develop and prosper, and to plan their own future.

We aim to improve health, equity and development by supporting countries to develop strong research and innovation systems. We work globally, but prioritise low and middle-income countries.

Following the integration of COHRED and the Global Forum for Health Research (GFHR), COHRED’s portfolio of services and tools that support countries in strengthening governance and management of research and innovation for health, equity and socio-economic development grew. It now includes the Global Forum’s influential international conference on research and innovation for health and its tracking of resource flows to health research. Forum 2012 successfully took place in April 2012 in Cape Town, South Africa and we are now exploring the options for a follow-up Forum 2014.

We have two primary goals:

- To support countries in optimising their research and innovation capacity for the improvement of health, equity and socio-economic progress;
- To engage outside agencies whose actions impact on the research and innovation capacity of low- and middle-income countries – with the aim of ensuring that their actions are system supportive.

Given continuing health inequities in both the developing and the developed world, COHRED promotes research for health and innovation that addresses the needs of the disadvantaged.

COHRED works with countries to build the skills and systems required for such essential research. We partner with all individuals and organisations who can support our mission including governments, research and academic institutions, businesses, donors, regional and international organisations and local communities, building on expertise from around the world.



About The Lancet Commission

In 1993, the global health community was introduced to a new way of measuring and valuing health and interventions to improve health – through an economic lens. The World Bank's World Development Report '93 (<http://www.cddep.org/projects/files.dcp2.org/pdf/WorldDevelopmentReport1993.pdf>) (WDR93) looked at the topic of "Investing in Health," examining the interplay between human health, health policy and economic development. It advocated a three-pronged approach for government action to improve health in low-income countries: (1) governments should foster an economic environment that enables households to improve their own health; (2) government spending on health should be directed to more cost-effective, pro-poor programs; and (3) governments must promote greater diversity and competition in the delivery of health services. WDR93's analyses and conclusions have featured prominently in the investment planning and policy debates over subsequent years.

A new commission

Distinguished experts (http://www.cddep.org/sites/cddep.org/files/cih_commissioners.pdf) in a range of disciplines from around the world have agreed to serve on a Lancet Commission on Investing in Health (CIH) that has been formed to mark the 20th anniversary of WDR93. The Commission is chaired by Professor Lawrence H. Summers (<http://www.hks.harvard.edu/about/faculty-staff-directory/lawrence-summers>) from the Harvard Kennedy School (who was chief economist at the World Bank in 1993), and is co-chaired by Dean Jamison (http://sph.washington.edu/faculty/fac_bio.asp?url_ID=Jamison_Dean) from the University of Washington (who was lead author of WDR93). The CIH serves as a 20-year anniversary research and consultative project to reflect on the importance today and for the future of the key findings of the WDR93.

Supported by NORAD, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, DFID, and the Harvard Global Health Institute, the Commission is revisiting the methods and conclusions of WDR93 in light of subsequent research findings, technological advances, institutional changes and on-the-ground experience. The ultimate goal of the CIH is to draw lessons from past successes to inform current and future policies for addressing remaining global health problems. The Commission will report its key findings and recommend next steps in a major report in The Lancet published on December 3, 2013.

COHRED Colloquia

Contrasted with our larger Global Forum for Health Research gatherings, COHRED Colloquia are a form of unconference, which aim to break away from a more formal conference setting. We will gather a group of 'change makers' in an interactive and informal setting, with discussion and interaction encouraged between all participants. Where appropriate and possible – we employ a 'Chatham House' approach of comment non-attribution, unless consent is sought and granted.

Previous COHRED Colloquia, which were convened in October 2012 and December 2011 respectively, examined the drive to move beyond aid, with research and innovation seen as key drivers for sustainable supporting health, equity and development. These meetings investigated the connections and contributions of science, technology and entrepreneurship to development in low and middle-income countries.

Background

In April 2012, Cape Town, a range of global thinkers, actors, leaders and influencers came together for Forum 2012 and made a clear case: that research and innovation are indeed key drivers of health, equity and development in low and middle income countries. That by focusing on building research and innovation systems in low and middle-income countries, a pathway to sustainable, long-term, country-owned development could be secured.

COHRED is ready to take this discussion to the next stage. If research and innovation are critical for development, then how can they be sustainably financed and supported? Investment is regarded one of the fundamental pillars of achieving research and innovation for health. For any research to be undertaken, investment of some form is required – not only in research activities, but also in management, administration and training. For innovation to occur and for the outputs of that research to reach the people who will benefit from them, still further investment is required.

The benefits of investing in research for health need not be limited to health and equity: a healthy, flourishing economy can only occur when it is supported by a healthy population, and is further bolstered when those people enjoy equality of opportunity. Likewise, a healthy, flourishing economy is better able to secure a healthy, equitable population.

At COHRED Colloquium 2013, on the occasion of COHRED's 20th Anniversary, we have brought together a group of people with the desire and the ability to make a difference in supporting sustainable investments in research for health. Critically, we will work to bring together in open discussion people who don't usually meet, or have easy access to each other: the private sector, researchers, civil society, funders, and Governments.

This year, COHRED is collaborating with the Lancet Commission on Investing in Health to bring you COHRED Colloquium 2013. This meeting, held over the next two days in Geneva, will take a look through an economic lens at the investments in health research that are required to meet the needs of low- and middle-income countries. Over the two days of this meeting, participants will use their experience to identify what the truly valuable investments in R&D have been since 1993, and use their imagination to judge where future investment should go if we are to make the most significant progress against mortality in low and middle income countries in the coming decades.



For more information, go to:
www.cohred.org/colloquium2013/

Programme outline

Tuesday 26 March

Commission on Investing in Health

08:30 - 10:30	Registration		
10:00 - 11:30	Welcome Address + Plenary session 1		
11:30 - 11:45	<i>Coffee Break & Networking Exhibition</i>		
11:45 - 13:00	Parallel session: A look back	Parallel session: A look back	Parallel session: R&D Monitoring and co-ordination
13:00 - 14:00	<i>Lunch Break & Networking Exhibition</i>		
14:00 - 15:30	Plenary session 2: keynote addresses and panel discussion		
15:30 - 15:50	<i>Coffee Break & Networking Exhibition</i>		
15:50 - 17:00	Parallel session: A forward look	Parallel session: A forward look	Parallel session: R&D Monitoring and co-ordination
17:00 - 18:00	Plenary Reporting & General Discussion/ Debate		
18:15 - 21:00	COHRED 20th Anniversary Event - Château de Bossey		

Wednesday 27 March

Framework Issues in Investing in Research

08:30 - 09:00	Registration		
09:00 - 10:45	Plenary Session 1: Dialogues on investing in research and innovation		
10:45-11:00	<i>Coffee Break & Networking Exhibition</i>		
11:00 - 12:15	Parallel working group 1 - vertical	Parallel working group 2 - vertical	Parallel working group 3 - vertical
12:20 - 13:30	Parallel working group 1 - horizontal	Parallel working group 2 - horizontal	Parallel working group 3 - horizontal
13:30 - 14:15	<i>Lunch Break & Networking Exhibition</i>		
14:15 - 15:00	Plenary Reporting Closing Remarks		

Agenda

COHRED/Lancet Commission Partnership Investing in Research for Health

Tuesday 26 March 2013

Day 1

Plenary Session 1

10:00 - 11:30	Welcome <i>Prof Abbas Bhuiya, Interim Chair, COHRED</i> <i>Prof Carel IJsselmuiden, Executive Director, COHRED</i>
	Introductory presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Lancet Commission on Investing in Health <i>Dr Gavin Yamey, University of California, (video message from Prof Larry Summers)</i>R and D financing – What is the scale? Where does it come from, and where does it go? <i>Prof John-Arne Røttingen, Visiting Professor, Harvard School of Public Health</i> Framing presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none">A look back – The role of R&D in achieving health improvements, lessons from past successes, and the applicability to today's needs. <i>Prof Adolfo Martínez-Palomo, Centre for Research and Advanced Studies</i>A look forward – where should R&D finances be invested over the coming decades to achieve the greatest impact? <i>Prof Alioune Dieye, Head of Unit, Immunogenetics, Institut Pasteur</i>The international framework: Enhancing financing, monitoring and co-ordination of R&D <i>Dr Marie-Paule Kieny, Assistant Director General, World Health Organization</i> Warm up – Facilitators Without Borders (10min)
11:30 - 11:45	Coffee Break
Parallel Sessions 1	
11:45 - 13:00	Working Group Sessions I Three streams, focused on identifying the issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Looking back on past successes of R&D, and lessons learnedWhere investments should be targeted over the coming decades?Challenges in financing, monitoring and co-ordination of health research
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch & Networking Exhibition

Plenary Session 2

14:00 - 15:30	Keynote addresses: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Perspective from the European Commission – The benefit of investment in health research <i>Prof Anne Glover, Chief Scientific Advisor to the President of the European Commission</i>Perspective from the Philippines – The benefit of investment in health research <i>Secretary Mario Montejo of the Department of Science and Technology, The Philippines</i> <i>Secretary Enrique Ona of the Department of Health, the Philippines (Statements will be read on behalf of the Ministers by Jaime Montoya)</i> Panel discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Opportunities and challenges around investing in research and innovation: <i>Prof Hannah Akuffo, Lead Specialist, Research Co-operation, SIDA</i> <i>Prof Anne Glover, Chief Scientific Advisor to the President of the European Commission</i> <i>Mr Gray Handley, NIAID Associate Director for International Research Affairs, National Institutes of Health</i> <i>Dr Mary Woolley, President, Research!America</i>
15:30 - 15:50	Coffee Break & Networking Exhibition

Parallel Sessions 2

15:50 - 17:00	Working Group Sessions II <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalising content Developing messages for reporting
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Plenary Session 3

17:00 - 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report back to plenary, opportunity for plenary to comment, make final reflections Next steps
18:15	COHRED 20th ANNIVERSARY EVENT- Château de Bossey <i>Departure of buses in front of main entrance</i>

A Focus on Framework Issues in Investing in Research for Health

Wednesday 27 March 2013

Day 2

Plenary Session 1

09:00 – 09:15	Framing presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investing in research and innovation capacity in the South <i>Dr Pascoal Mocumbi, Former Prime Minister of Mozambique, High Representative of EDCTP</i>
09:15 – 10:45	Dialogues on framework issues in investing in research for health Current issues in investing in innovative capacity in the South <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funder's voice <i>Prof. Hannah Akuffo (Swedish International Development Agency)</i> Southern institution's voice <i>Prof. Alioune Dieye (Institut Pasteur de Dakar)</i> Facilitating fair research partnerships – Intellectual property and collaborative research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Institution's voice <i>Prof. Nelson Sewankambo (Makerere University)</i> International Organisation's voice <i>Mr. Christian Wichard (World Intellectual Property Organization)</i> How can we show the real value of research and innovation through monitoring and evaluation? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public sector's voice <i>Prof. John Mugabe (University of Pretoria)</i> Private sector's voice <i>Dr. Martin Sepulveda (IBM)</i>
10:45 - 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>

Parallel Sessions 3

11:00 - 12:15	Working Group Sessions III 3 working groups based on the framework issues above Identifying issues and solutions (constituency based)
12:20 – 13:30	Working Group Sessions IV Identifying solutions (mixed groups)
13:30 - 14:15	<i>Lunch and Networking Exhibition</i>

Plenary Session 2

14:15 - 15:00	Reporting back & Closing Address <i>Dr Gerald Keusch, Associate Director, National Emerging Infectious Diseases Laboratory, Boston University</i>
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General Information

Badges

Badges must be worn at all times during the Colloquium, including during social activities.

Your badge will give you access to the meeting rooms, the Foyer area as well as the COHRED Dinner on Tuesday evening.

Conference venue

Colloquium Conference Venue

COHRED Colloquium 2013 is place at the CIGG.

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Food & Beverages

Coffee breaks and lunches are provided in the foyer level -1. Please note that drinks and food are not allowed in the meeting rooms.

Hotel Accommodation

COHRED has secured a limited number of hotel rooms near the conference center in the hotel

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The organizer, COHRED, does not accept responsibility for individual medical, travel or personal insurance. In addition, COHRED shall not be responsible for and shall be exempt from all liability in respect of any loss, damage, injury, accident, delay or inconvenience to any person, or his /her luggage or any other property for any reason whatsoever, for any tourist services provided. Personal travel and health insurance is recommended.

Internet access and social media

Internet access is available free of charge via wifi. Log in details are as follows.

Username: cohred

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You can tell others about what is going on at the Colloquium by using our twitter hashtags:

#cohred@20 and/or #investingR4H

Transportation to the Conference Center

The access is facilitated by good public transport services. The CIGC is situated only 5 kilometres away from the international airport and from the Cornavin main railway station, in downtown.

Public transport from Cornavin main railway station:

Bus n°5 : Bus stop “Vermont”

Bus n°8: Bus stop “UIT”

Tramway n°15: Stop “Nations”

Public transport from the international airport:

Bus n°5: Bus stop “Vermont”

Bus n°28: Bus stop “Nations”

Public transport from the NH Rex Hotel:

The NH Rex hotel is located at about 15mns walking distance from the CIGC conference center. A bus N11 is also available – stop “UIT”.

Please ask for your local transportation map at the reception desk of the hotel.



Mobile phones

Participants are kindly requested to keep their mobile phones either switched off or on mute in the rooms where the sessions are being held.

Other activities

Several activities will take place in the foyer on level -1:

- Get familiar with COHRED and engage with representatives of each COHRED Unit
- Network with fellow participants in the heart of the foyer
- Take a break with a tea or coffee and lunches.



Photography & Filming

The Colloquium 2013 is an open and public event. Professional photographers employed by COHRED and members of COHRED staff will be present taking pictures and footage of the event.

All photos and footage produced are to be used electronically and/or print form, solely for non-commercial promotional purposes of the work of COHRED.

If any participant or speaker has an issue being photographed or filmed during the event, he or she is kindly requested to inform COHRED Communication Unit by contacting Andrew Kanyegirire on email: andrew@cohred.org.

Smoking Policy

The Colloquium 2013 is a non-smoking event. It is therefore forbidden to smoke in the conference building.

Social event – COHRED 20th Anniversary Dinner

Tuesday 26 March at the Château de Bossey in Cran-près-Céligny
Bus departure 18:15 in front of the conference centre main entrance
Return scheduled around 22:00



List of participants

David Abreu, COHRED, Geneva
Hannah Akuffo, SIDA
Katy Athersuch, Médecins Sans Frontières
Thiru Balasubramaniam, Knowledge Ecology International
Francisco Beccera, COHRED, Mexico
Abbas Bhuiya, ICDDR,B
Francois Bompert, Sanofi
Mathias Bonk, World Health Summit
Alan Boshwaen, Botswana Innovation Hub
Jo Ivey Boufford, New York Academy of Medicine
Pascale Boulet, DNDi
Lourdes Chamorro, EU Delegation Geneva
Jie Chen, Fudan University
Bruno Coelho, COHRED, Brazil
Sylvia De Haan, COHRED, Geneva
Marc De Santis, SDC
Don De Savigny, Swiss Tropical Institute
Jennifer Dent, BIO Ventures for Global Health
Alioune Dieye, Institut Pasteur Senegal
Kathy Douglas, COHRED, Geneva
Sambe Duale, AED
Erika Duenas, Medicine Patent Pool
Danny Edwards, COHRED, Geneva
David Evans, WHO
Paolo Ferrinho, Inst. Of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
Terrence Forrester, University of West Indies
Luis Gabriel-Cuervo, PAHO
Detlev Ganten, World Health Summit
Padmashree Gehl-Sampath, UNCTAD
Agdul Ghaffar, WHO
Hassen Ghannem, COHRED, Tunisia
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Gerald Keusch, Boston University
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Shireen Lindsey-Hirst, Media 21
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Samuel Martin, Consultant
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Rachel Marusak, IP Watch
Scotti McLaren, COHRED, Geneva
Zafar Mirza, WHO
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Suerie Moon, Harvard School of Public Health
John Mugabe, University of Pretoria
Lita Nelson, MIT
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Priya Shetty, Independent
Emelda Shonga, Zambia Daily Mail
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Jennifer Verma, Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement
John Watters, Pfizer Inc.
Keith West, Johns Hopkins
Johannes Christian Wichard, WIPO
Mary Woolley, Research America
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COHRED Tech promotes having strong research and innovation systems for health as we believe this produces more research and innovation, and with a greater relevance to the country and its population.

COHRED Tech offers consultancy and advisory services including:

- Situational Analysis
- Advice and technical support for governance, management and coordination
- Facilitation of priority setting processes
- Training



COHRED Tech partners with Guinea Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mozambique, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Tanzania and work together to strengthen research governance and management structures, define research agendas and policies, develop national research for health management information systems and identify other components to reinforce health and development.

Participant's information and biographies

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David is the Head of 'Web for Development', initiated by COHRED. His primary area of expertise is maximising the reach of health research organisations through the use of web and related information technologies. His experience working with students from 33 different countries as an international educator has given him an understanding of the unique role of culture and language in communicating critical information. He served as Director of the International Student Services at Lewis University and as a Consultant at the Brazilian Ministry of Health where he helped expand the Department of Science and Technology's information systems, data collection and validation processes. He has a Master's degree in Business Administration with a specialisation in International Business and a bachelor's degree in Management Information Systems from Lewis University in the USA.

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I have, in different positions, had responsibility for support to research capacity strengthening at Sida since 1999. Over the years I have been responsible for Sida/SAREC's initiation of support to research cooperation with Makerere University (including Health); INDEPTH Network; EMVI; EDCTP. My main interest has been in research capacity strengthening. My interest in research capacity extends beyond my profession to a passion and conviction that research capacity is key for continued possibilities for countries to define and address their own questions. Sida advocates collaboration with other funders of research and I currently chair ESSENCE of Health Research and EDCTP General Assembly, both with strong focus on research capacity building for health.

My position at sida in 2012 is Lead Specialist, Research Cooperation. I have been on various advisory boards of research including TDR, EMVI, THRIVE, CARTA. I am an adjunct Professor of Parasitology Karolinska Institutet. My research interest is mainly the mechanisms of resistance and immunity against Leishmania infection.

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Thiru Balasubramaniam is the Geneva Representative of Knowledge Ecology International (KEI). Prior to his post as KEI's Geneva Representative, Mr. Balasubramaniam worked at the World Health Organisation (WHO) in Geneva as a Technical Officer in the Department of Essential Drugs and Medicines Policy dealing with access to medicines and intellectual property. During his first year at WHO, Mr. Balasubramaniam was also a Global Health Leadership Fellow, supported by the Rockefeller Foundation and the United Nations Foundation. He began his career with CPTech working on issues related to health care and intellectual property.

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Dr. Francisco Becerra-Posada is senior consultant for COHRED in Latin America, responsible for developing COHRED activities and partnerships in and with countries and institutions in Latin America to strengthen National Health Research Systems.

Born in Mexico City, he graduated as Medical Doctor from the School of Medicine at the National Autonomous University of Mexico in 1981. In 1984, he got his Masters of Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, (USA), with emphasis in planning and health services administration. During his career Francisco has been an international consultant for PAHO, WHO, USAID, CARE, CORAT-Africa and Save the Children-US, among others. In Mexico, he has held various positions, including Director General for the State of Morelos Health Services, coordinator of the Masters in Health Services Administration and of the Masters in Sciences in Health Systems at the National Institute of Public Health, and has worked in the private sector.

Francisco Becerra has published over 25 papers and has contributed to books on various topics and has been Principal Investigator in Mexico for two multi-country studies coordinated by WHO.

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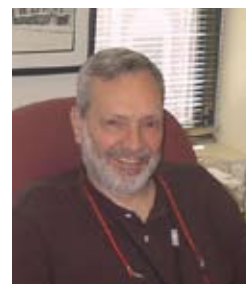
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COHRED Africa is a Unit within COHRED that strives to ensure that every African country has a well developed and sustainable research and innovation system for health in place, by providing technical support and services to strengthen such systems. COHRED Africa is composed of staff located in Botswana, South Africa and Tunisia.

Mission:

Optimising Research and Innovation Systems for Health in Africa

COHRED Africa provides technical support services to assist African countries to develop sustainable research and innovation systems for health, including:

- Developing and strengthening national research ethics review and drug regulatory capacity;
- Providing information management solutions through web-based cutting-edge technologies;
- Priority setting to provide stakeholder input into the establishment of research agendas;
- Fair research contracting to enable fair funding opportunities for southern institutions; and
- Other technical support areas for the overall strengthening of research and innovation systems for health.

The Botswana Innovation Hub (BIH) has signed a memorandum of understanding with COHRED. The aim is to promote research and development for health, equity in Botswana, the southern Africa sub-region and in the rest of Africa.

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COHRED Think

Offering ideas, insights and intelligence to make research and innovation work for health, equity and development

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COHRED Think conducts comprehensive analyses in locally and globally relevant areas, provides tailored evidence-packages, and produces innovative and pragmatic solutions. COHRED Think aims to respond to user-generated demands for research: by national, regional and global partners in research for health, innovation and development, as well as by other COHRED Units.

Fair research contracting

This initiative is working to identify best practices for the research contracting (negotiation) process that would be useful in the following three scenarios, in situations i) where there is no lawyer, ii) where there may be lay personnel who could be trained, and iii) where there is a lawyer or legal expertise in low- and middle-income country contexts.



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2013 will mark the 20th Anniversary of COHRED. To highlight COHRED's impact on the way research and innovation can positively contribute to health, equity and development, we are collecting narratives (stories of change, case studies, anecdotes, testimonies) and even photos or videos from our partners, friends and

colleagues. We would like you to share with us any change you have been a part of, observed, contributed to or benefitted from as a result of COHRED's activities over the 20 past years. For more, go to our 20th Anniversary webpage (<http://www.cohred.org/20th-anniversary/>) and/or email us at: cohred20@cohred.org

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