



COHRED's Sylvia de Haan makes contribution to insightful article on health research systems in Guinea Bissau



The latest edition (9 Feb, vol 10.5) of '[Health Research Policy and Systems](#)' - an open access, peer-reviewed, online journal – features an insightful article titled: '[The emergence and current performance of a health research system: lessons from Guinea Bissau](#)'. The article was written by **Maarten O Kok, Amabelia Rodrigues, Augusto Paulo Silva** and **COHRED's** very own **Sylvia de Haan** (in photo). In the article, the authors argue that little is known about how health research systems (HRS) in low-income countries emerge and evolve over time, and how this process relates to their performance. They insist that understanding how HRSs emerge is important for the development of well functioning National Health Research Systems (NHRS). And so, the aim of their study was to assess how the HRS in Guinea Bissau has emerged and evolved over time and how the present system functions. For more on the study, go to: Abstract <http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content/10/1/5/abstract> Provisional PDF <http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content/pdf/1478-4505-10-5.pdf> For help or more information, contact either info@biomedcentral.com and/or cohred@cohred.org