

## BRAZILIAN COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL HEALTH SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

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- Needs of international cooperation in health in the XXI Century
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### Health situation in some LIMCs

- Declining health conditions of the population in a great number of low-income medium countries (LIMCs)
- Marked inequalities both across countries and within countries
- Dual burden of diseases: Infectious and epidemic diseases like the big three (HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis) and other emerging and re-emerging diseases; neglected endemics; CNCs like cardiovascular and cancer
- Poverty, hungry and malnutrition
- High infant and maternal mortality; low expectancy of life

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## Health systems in some LMICs

- Limitations in governance: low capacity to analyse, formulate and implement health policies
- Health systems usually fragile, fragmented and ill equipped to confront the burden of diseases
- Lacking of health workforce and adequate technological resources
- Poor maternal and child care and very bad social conditions: high infant and maternal mortality; abandoned elder
- Under-funded and bad distribution among health care options

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## Consequences

- The poor countries' health systems are not able to face alone the health needs of their population
- International cooperation is imperative to development and health

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## Beyond tensions and tradeoffs

- Disease-focused intervention-specific funding *vs.* strengthening health systems
- Current- *vs.* long-term needs: Preparing key institutions to be nimble; establishing a future-oriented agenda; balancing investments in 'doing' and knowledge-generation
- Country-owned *vs.* globally defined goals and programs
- Population (public health) *vs.* individual focused

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### Dominant model of international cooperation in health (1)

- No coordination or even articulation within international cooperation provided by multilateral organizations, national agencies and philanthropic assistance of several Foundations, and a myriad of non-governmental organizations
- 'Recipients' frequently unable to organize their demands; de-articulation between MoH, MFA and other key public and private partners within countries
- Fragmentation and low effectiveness of the already limited resources locally available

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### Dominant model of international cooperation in health (2)

- Technical 'assistance'
- Lack of coordination
- Donors supporting overlapping projects within countries
- Donors orient their support based on globally pre-defined goals and programs
- Objectives not necessarily adjusted to the needs of the "recipient" countries
- Absence and/or overlap in cooperation/assistance

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### Alternatives to the dominant model (1)

- Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness (2005): Ownership, harmonization, alignment, results and mutual accountability
- Coordination among donors
- Coordination within country and link to national foreign policies
- Intersectoral approach
- Health diplomacy: Health and foreign affairs

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## Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness

- i. Strengthening partner countries' national development strategies
- ii. Increasing alignment of aid with partner countries' priorities, systems and procedures
- iii. Enhancing donors' and partner countries' respective accountability to their citizens and parliaments
- iv. Eliminating duplication of efforts and rationalizing donor activities to make them as cost-effective as possible
- v. Reforming and simplifying donor policies and procedures
- vi. Defining measures and standards of performance and accountability of partner country systems

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## Brazilian priorities in international cooperation

Countries/regions priorities:

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CPLP – Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries

UNASUL – Community of South American Countries

IBSA – India, Brazil and South Africa

Active participation in multilateral institutions like WTO, WOMPI, WHO and PAHO

- Examples: Framework Convention on Tobacco Control; Doha Declaration on TRIPS Agreement and Public Health; and the Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) for Public Health and Intellectual Property

Health as a priority in Brazilian foreign policy

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## CPLP

Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries



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## CPLP Figures

| Country  | Angola | Brazil | Cape Vert | East Timor | Guinea Bissau | Mozambique | Portugal | San Tome and Principe |
|--|--------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------|------------|----------|-----------------------|
| <b>Total population (in thousands)*</b>                          | 16,557 | 189,32 | 519       | 1,114      | 1,646         | 20,971     | 10,579   | 155                   |
| <b>Gross national income per capita (PPP international \$) *</b> | 2,360  | 8,800  | 5,980     | 729**      | 830           | 1,220      | 21,580   | n/a                   |
| <b>Under-5 mortality (per 1000 live births) both sexes**</b>     | 260    | 34     | 36        | 80         | 203           | 152        | 5        | 118                   |
| <b>Life expectancy at birth (years)*</b>                         | 40/43  | 68/75  | 66/72     | 64/69      | 46/51         | 49/51      | 75/82    | 60/63                 |

\* Figures are for 2006. Source: World Health Statistics 2008.  
 \*\* Figures are for 2004. Source: World Health Statistics 2006

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## Characteristics of the CPLP international cooperation in health

- CPLP Strategic Program of Cooperation in Health (PECS)
- PECS built collectively by the eight countries' Ministries of Health
- Ministers > Focal points
- Mobilization of politicians, leaders in public health and civil society
- Funded by the countries and other sources

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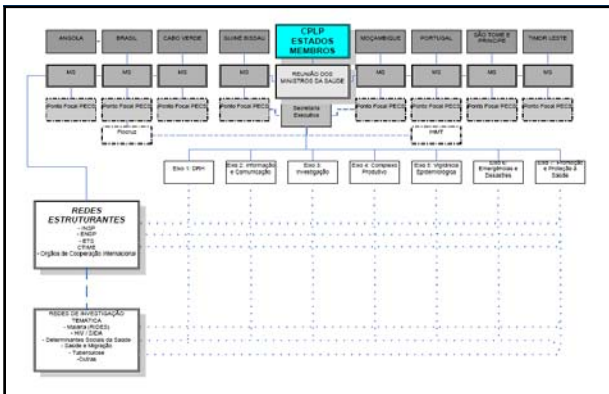
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### CPLP Strategic Plan of Cooperation in Health (PECS) (1)

- Strengthening health systems and services; emphasis in PHC
- Strengthening the 'structuring institutions': MoH, national health institutes, schools of public health, schools of technicians, main public clinical institutes, public undergraduate schools
- Development of the health workforce

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### CPLP Strategic Plan of Cooperation in Health (PECS) (2)

#### Lines of cooperation

- Development of the health workforce
- Health information and communication
- Research and development for health and development
- Productive complex of health
- Epidemiological surveillance and diseases control
- Emergency and disasters
- Health promotion and protection; SDH and intersectoral actions
- Health diplomacy

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- Fiocruz's Office to Africa established in Maputo/Mozambique with the presence Presidents Lula and Gebusa, Ministers of Health and authorities of both countries
- Institutional development – Support to the establishment of National Institutes of Health in Mozambique and Guinea Bissau; the National School of Public Health in Angola; the Schools of Technicians in Cape Vert, Mozambique and Guinea Bissau; the new University of Cape Vert, with its main orientation to health professions; and the public pharmaceutical company in Mozambique to produce drugs to HIV/AIDS and others.
- Human resources development – Two Master Degrees Courses, respectively in Angola (Public Health) and Mozambique (Laboratory Sciences); training to pediatricians, obstetricians and nurses in Mozambique; training to health technicians in Cape Vert.

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## Fiocruz cooperation in Africa

- Last Friday, October 17, Presidents Lula and Gebusa met in Mozambique and opened Fiocruz's Office to Africa
- Fiocruz formally started HIV and other drugs' technological transfer to Mozambique MoH's public company
- Presidents met 20 students of 1<sup>st</sup>. Joint NIH-Fiocruz MSc in Laboratory Sciences in Mozambique
- MoH and Fiocruz agreement to support the development of the National Institute of Women and Children

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## UNASUL - United Nations of the South

- Mercosul
  - Argentina
  - Bolivia
  - Brazil
  - Chile
  - Paraguay
  - Uruguay
- Andinean Community
  - Bolivia
  - Chile
  - Colombia
  - Ecuador
  - Peru
  - Venezuela
- Other
  - Guyana
  - Suriname
  - French Guyana (France)



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## UNASUL Figures

| Country       | Total population (in thousands)* | Gross national income per capita (PPP, international \$) * | Under-5 mortality for both sexes (per 1000 live births)** | Life expectancy at birth (years)* |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| Argentina     | 39,134                           | 15,390   | 18  | 72/78                             |
| Bolivia       | 9,354                            | 2,890  | 69  | 64/67                             |
| Brazil        | 189,323                          | 8,800  | 34  | 68/75                             |
| Chile         | 16,465                           | 11,270   | 9   | 75/81                             |
| Colombia      | 45,598                           | 7,620  | 21  | 71/78                             |
| Ecuador       | 13,202                           | 4,400  | 26  | 70/76                             |
| French Guiana | n/a                              | n/a  | n/a   | n/a                               |
| Guyana        | 739                              | 4,680  | 64  | 63/66                             |
| Paraguay      | 6,016                            | 5,070  | 24  | 72/78                             |
| Peru          | 27,589                           | 6,080  | 29  | 71/75                             |
| Suriname      | 455                              | 8,120  | 39  | 65/71                             |
| Uruguay       | 3,331                            | 11,150   | 14  | 72/79                             |
| Venezuela     | 27,191                           | 7,440  | 19  | 71/78                             |

\* Adapted from World Bank, World Development Indicators 2014  
 \*\* Estimated from UNICEF, Mortality Reports 2014

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## UNASUL Strategic Program of Cooperation in Health (PECS)

- Under construction (agreement between focal points); still not submitted to Ministers
- Strengthening health systems and services
- South American epidemiological shield
- Strengthening the structuring institutions like national health institutes, schools of public health, schools of technicians, main clinical institutes, undergraduate schools
- Development of health workforce
- Drugs, vaccines and other supplies
- Social determinants of health and health promotion

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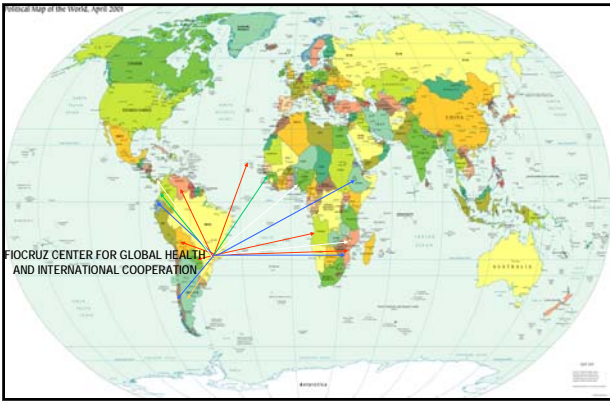
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## FIOCRUZ 'national'



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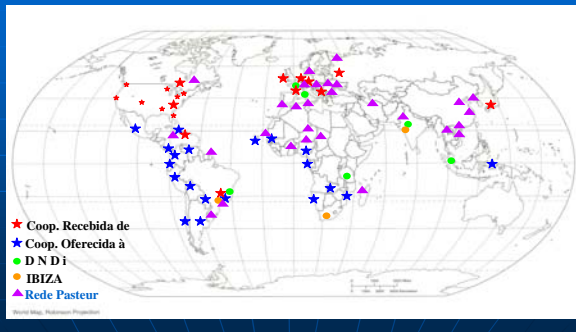
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## Fiocruz international cooperation



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## Optimistic signs of international cooperation in health

- UN MDGs 2000-2015
- WHO Report 2008: Primary Health Care
- WHO Global Commission Report: Social Determinants of Health
- Paris Declaration (2005) and Accra (2008)
- US IOM Global Health Committee
- New players – commitment of civil society: WFPHA, IANPHI, IUHPE and others
- New donors, new funding, new models of technical cooperation in health



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## Pessimistic signs of international cooperation in health

- The drift toward recession in the world's wealthiest countries brings the possibility of lack of resources to international cooperation

**BUT**

- A global community able to commit hundreds of billions to bolstering banks should be willing to commit a fraction of that to fighting poverty and hunger and to implement international cooperation in health

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