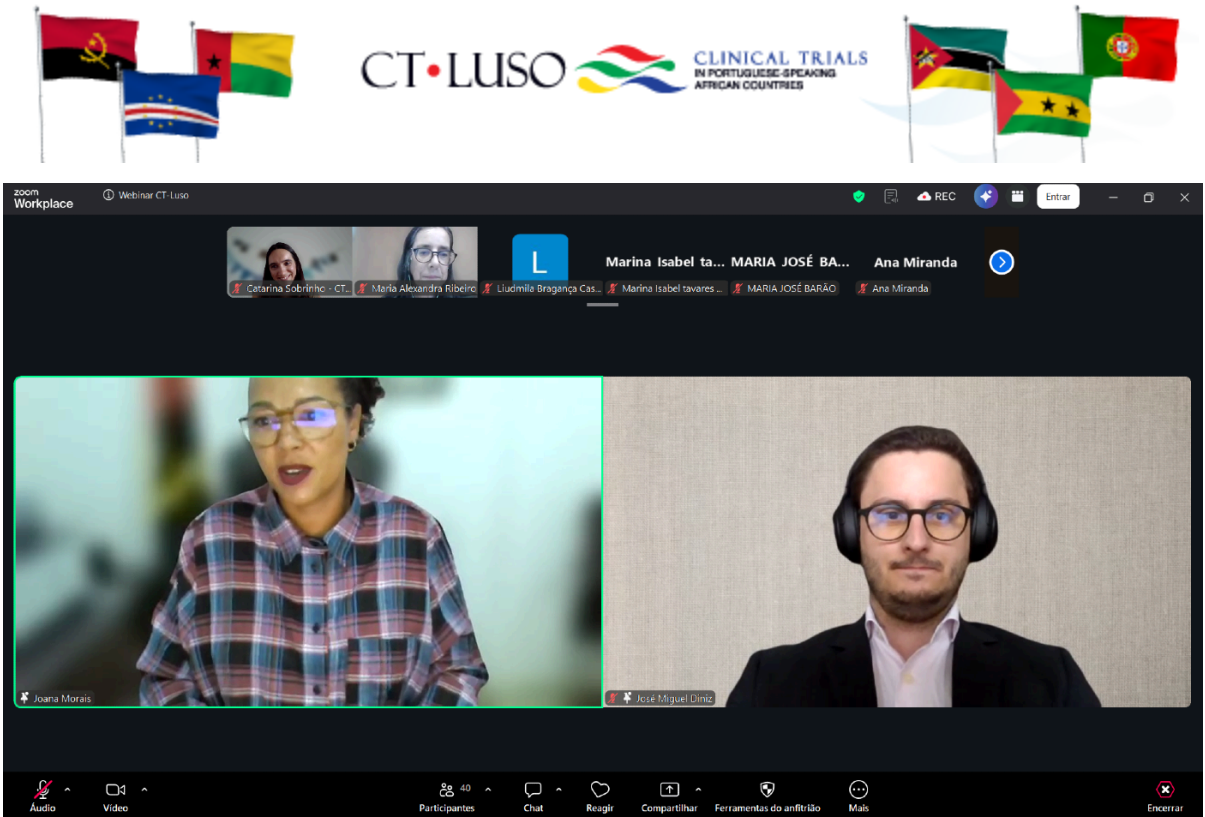




Webinar: CT Luso promotes reflection on equity in access to innovation in healthcare.

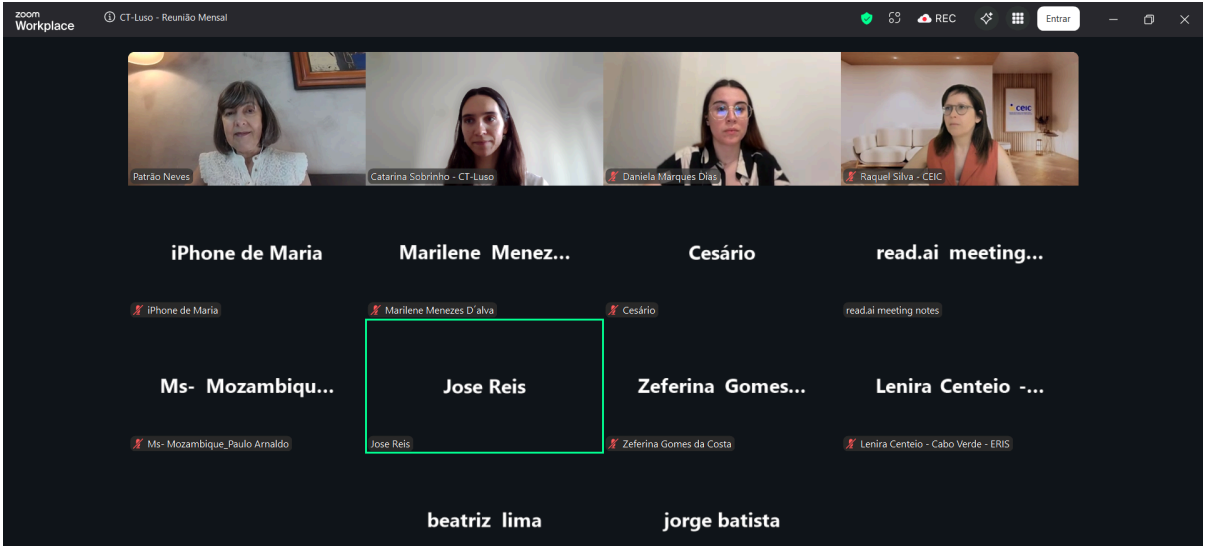
As part of the CT Luso webinar series, the seventh session, dedicated to the theme **"Equity in Access to Innovation in Health ,"** was held on June 25th. Participants from Portuguese-speaking African Countries (PALOP) and Portugal were invited to reflect on the ethical, social, and scientific challenges associated with equitable access to innovation in health. The webinar gathered 70 online participants. The session featured **Maria Alexandra Ribeiro**

, consultant for the CT Luso project, and was moderated by **Joana Morais** , Director-General of the National Institute for Health Research of Angola. **José Miguel Diniz** , researcher and specialist in health policies and digital transformation, led a presentation focused on the relationship between equity, innovation, and artificial intelligence.

During the presentation, José Miguel Diniz emphasized that equity in access to innovation does not depend exclusively on technological development, but above all on the ability to understand the specific needs of different populations. He argued that health inequalities result from multiple social, economic, environmental, and demographic determinants, and it is essential that public policies, research, and the development of new technologies take this diversity into account.

The next CT Luso Webinar is scheduled for July 30th (6:00 PM in Portugal) with the theme **"Biomedical Research and Traditional Medicines"** .

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CT-Luso completes Work Package 5 and prepares for the next phase of the project.

The CT-Luso Project has completed another stage of its capacity-building program with the final assessment tests of the **"Good Clinical Practice Guidelines – ICH-GCP(R3)"** training program, held on June 23, 24 and 25. The results will be released soon.

Successful completion of this training is a requirement for participation in Work Package 6. Among the approved trainees, the heads of partner institutions in each of the PALOP countries will select 28 professionals from those who passed WP5 to participate in WP6, which will consist of in-person training in Lisbon and Porto, providing direct contact with various leading institutions in the field of clinical research.

These were some of the topics discussed at the 21st coordination meeting of the CT-Luso Project, held on June 3rd, during which the partners reviewed the status of ongoing activities and prepared the project's next steps.

During the meeting, CT-Luso's participation in the 84th International Congress of the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP), which will take place between August 30 and September 2 in Montreal, Canada, was also confirmed. The project will be present through the presentation of a scientific poster, showcasing the work developed and reinforcing its visibility within the international clinical research community.



CT-Luso strengthens national capabilities and lays the groundwork for the sustainability of clinical research in the PALOP countries.

CT-Luso's partners believe that the initiative is having a concrete impact on strengthening clinical research and research ethics in Portuguese-speaking African countries. Testimonials gathered by the project's coordination team among Portuguese-speaking countries demonstrate progress in the development of legal and regulatory frameworks, in the training of professionals, and in the strengthening of institutions responsible for the ethical evaluation and regulation of clinical trials.

Among the main results identified are the development of new support structures for clinical research, the promotion of good practices, closer ties between regulatory authorities and ethics committees, and the strengthening of institutional cooperation. The

partners also emphasize the importance of harmonizing procedures and consolidating a collaborative network among the participating countries.

Sustainability is identified as one of the main priorities for the next phase of the project. The partner institutions express their commitment to ensuring the continuity of the results achieved through ongoing training programs, the creation of knowledge repositories, monitoring mechanisms, and the integration of the tools and skills developed into their respective national structures.

Watch the video testimonials.



CT Luso Video: Learning from those who have already started the journey.

Hironisia dos Santos , from the Pharmaceutical Department of the Ministry of Health of São Tomé and Príncipe, emphasizes that countries that have not yet started clinical trials can benefit from the path already taken by others, avoiding challenges already identified and accelerating the creation of conditions for the development of clinical research.

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