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A POWERLIST 100

Most Influential Black Personalities in Lusophony

POWERLIST 100 is an alliance between BANTUMEN and different Portuguese-speaking communication platforms to honor and celebrate the multiplicity, excellence and power of black people who share Portuguese as an official language.

The list is curated by the collective of journalists and content producers from the different partner communication platforms, present in Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, São Tomé and Príncipe and Portugal.

Dr. Isaquel Bartolomeu Silva

Guinean physician, researcher and epidemiologist.

With a degree in Medicine from the Faculty of Medicine of Bissau, Isaquel stood out as a student, receiving the Certificate of Most Outstanding Student in Scientific Research and the Gold Diploma in General Medicine, both awarded by the Latin American School of Medicine of Cuba. He is currently a Bandim Health Project Research and PhD candidate at the University of Odense in southern Denmark.

Speech at the moment of tribute

First of all, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to be here!

I would also like to express that I am happy to be here for this distinction!

During my stay in Italy to receive the "Young Researcher Award, 2024 from PENTA"

Opportunity to demonstrate our vision for science!

What we are doing in Guinea-Bissau!

There I introduced a new concept, something that I don't know if anyone had ever said or not: " Science in silence".

Many people asked me if this meant that science is silent. No, no and no, I didn't say that science was silent!

Science in silence means doing science in a place where a good number of people do not know how to read a book (where the level of illiteracy is high) like Guinea-Bissau!

Science in silence means doing hard work with few resources for those most vulnerable people!

Many times we spend all our time publishing only in the major journal, without taking into account our community (the local population).

In fact, no matter how hard our work is, it makes no sense if we can't make our work understood by our community. I think this should be the challenge of all scientists.

Thank you!!!

