







Newsletter March 2023

Dear readers,

In this short version of the newsletter we give you an update on the use of openIMIS in Comoros and Chad. We are also pleased to announce that we are joining forces with World Banks CORE-MIS.

Please share the newsletter in your networks. Enjoy reading!

Your openIMIS coordination desk

Use of openIMIS in Comoros

We are pleased to announce the implementation of openIMIS in Comoros. The open-source solution will contribute to universal health coverage (UHC). A key argument for the use of openIMIS is its conformity with the recommendations of the Conference Interafricaine de la Prevoyance Sociale (CIPRES). The pilot phase in the Comoros is planned for July 2023. More information will be available in the next newsletter issues. Stay tuned!

openIMIS modular version is used in Chad

The openIMIS initiative is glad to share that a new modular implementation of openIMIS is up and running in Chad alongside a series of training sessions for on-board users such as enrolment officers, health facilities and medical officials held between March 25 and 30. This was a joint training provided by a Swiss-TPH implemented project called PADS (Programme d'Appui au Districts Sanitaires au Tchad) and the CPG-RS (Centre de Promotion et de Gestion des Risques Sociaux).

As background, in 2018 Swiss TPH supported PADS to digitize the operations of *Mutuelle des Santé Borsa*, a mutual health organization in Danamadji. As part of the pilot, openIMIS was configured and adapted for use in beneficiary management, claims management, claims management, and reporting. openIMIS is currently used for the management of "mutual health insurance" in the districts of Danamadji and Sarh.

Global Public Good: New Free Digital Software to Manage Health and Social Protection Programs

We're happy to announce the new partnership between the openIMIS initiative and the World Bank's CORE-MIS. The two software packages will be bundled to enable efficient management of numerous social protection and health care systems in low- and middle-income countries. The partnership also strengthens the community of practice. The newly merged software will serve as a digital public good and can manage a variety of schemes ranging from health insurance, employment injury insurance, voucher schemes to cash transfers and economic inclusion programs.

Read the whole announcement on our website: <u>Global Public Good: New Free Digital Software to Manage Health and Social Protection Programs | openIMIS</u>

DCI launched publication about "Applying the Principles for Digital Development in Social Protection"

The Digital Convergence Initiative, with the support of the openIMIS

coordination desk, has launched its first official publication on "Applying the Principles for Digital Development in Social Protection". The publication summarizes best practices in 9 concise principles taking the context of country cases into account. All the principles are presented in the guide with their original definition, followed by the perspective of social protection and key actions for practical application. openIMIS is particularly highlighted as a best practice example in the context of the implementation of principles 7 (Reuse and improve) and 9 (be collaborative). You can download the whole publication for free at the following link: https://spdci.org/news/digital-principles/

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Applying the Principles for Digital Development in Social Protection

