

### NEWSLETTER N<sup>o</sup> 38 sPRING 2025

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### The selection of new students, batch 2025

Last year, 10 rural secondary schools from Sofala, Inhambane and Manica provinces, in central Mozambique were visited by our senior students and doctors. In the cities, we do not select. The area in which the schools are located, which we have worked with for years, has a cross-sectional area of 700 km. The headmasters had subsequently applied for 30 candidates. About a dozen were rejected because they were children of teachers, had participated in our selection before or were inadequate. About 20 were thus invited to mission-centre Nazaré and tested there for three days. The week before the selection was very hot: 42 degrees with feeling temperatures of 48 degrees! Even for Mozambicans, this is obviously too intense. Fortunately, it rained during the selection, so the temperature dropped to 33 degrees. Three very large traffic accidents caused by this heavy tropical rain had completely blocked the only access road to Beira. Our candidates had fortunately passed this road before the rain and accidents, but Manuel, one of our doctors from Chimoio had stopped for 9 hours during his journey of only 150 km.



Central Mozambique



Candidates at work during our selection!

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#### The results

Five doctors from the board of APESMO, our Mozambican subsidiary association, together with Harrie and Gitta, carried out the selection, which they themselves had gone through years ago. 14 candidates turned out to meet our criteria to become doctors and, of these, we were able to give the eight best ones a scholarship. Two girls and six boys. The intelligence splashed off; a few made a new intelligence test even better than our doctors, who always scored high marks during their studies! After that, a flurry of activity began. All 8 were accommodated with older students. Applying for a postponement of military service, registering at university, opening a bank account which was not possible for three minors. Most important, of course, was finding rooms. The elders started searching all over the slums and managed to find accommodation in a week. Only then could those selected go on the long journey to their poor families back home to tell the happy news.



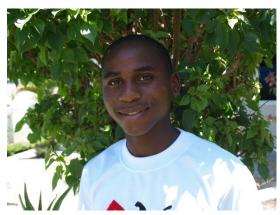
We hereby introduce our new students to you:



Amarildo Luis



Benjamin Dirá



Braiton Mutisse



Carlos Samuel



Cleide Ngonde



Dixio Simão





Luis Vitorio



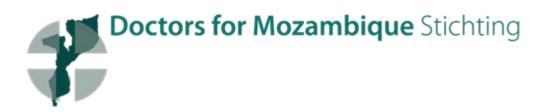
Salinda Macuiana

If you want to know more about the students, visit the website: <a href="https://doctorsformozambique.eu/dit-zijn-onze-studenten/">https://doctorsformozambique.eu/dit-zijn-onze-studenten/</a>

They added a new family: Doctors for Mozambique!



The eight new members of the Doctors for Mozambique 2025 family



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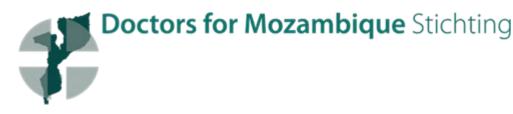
Our diary mentioned that we have a party to celebrate on Saturday 12 April; the graduation of our fiftieth doctor. Unfortunately, it proved too complicated to organise this party without incurring significant costs to do so. This money can then no longer benefit our students, which goes against our objective. We have therefore decided not to go ahead with this party. Those who had already registered for the party have received a personal message from us.

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