



# Ordem dos Enfermeiros Portugal

## Portuguese Mobile Library: an update



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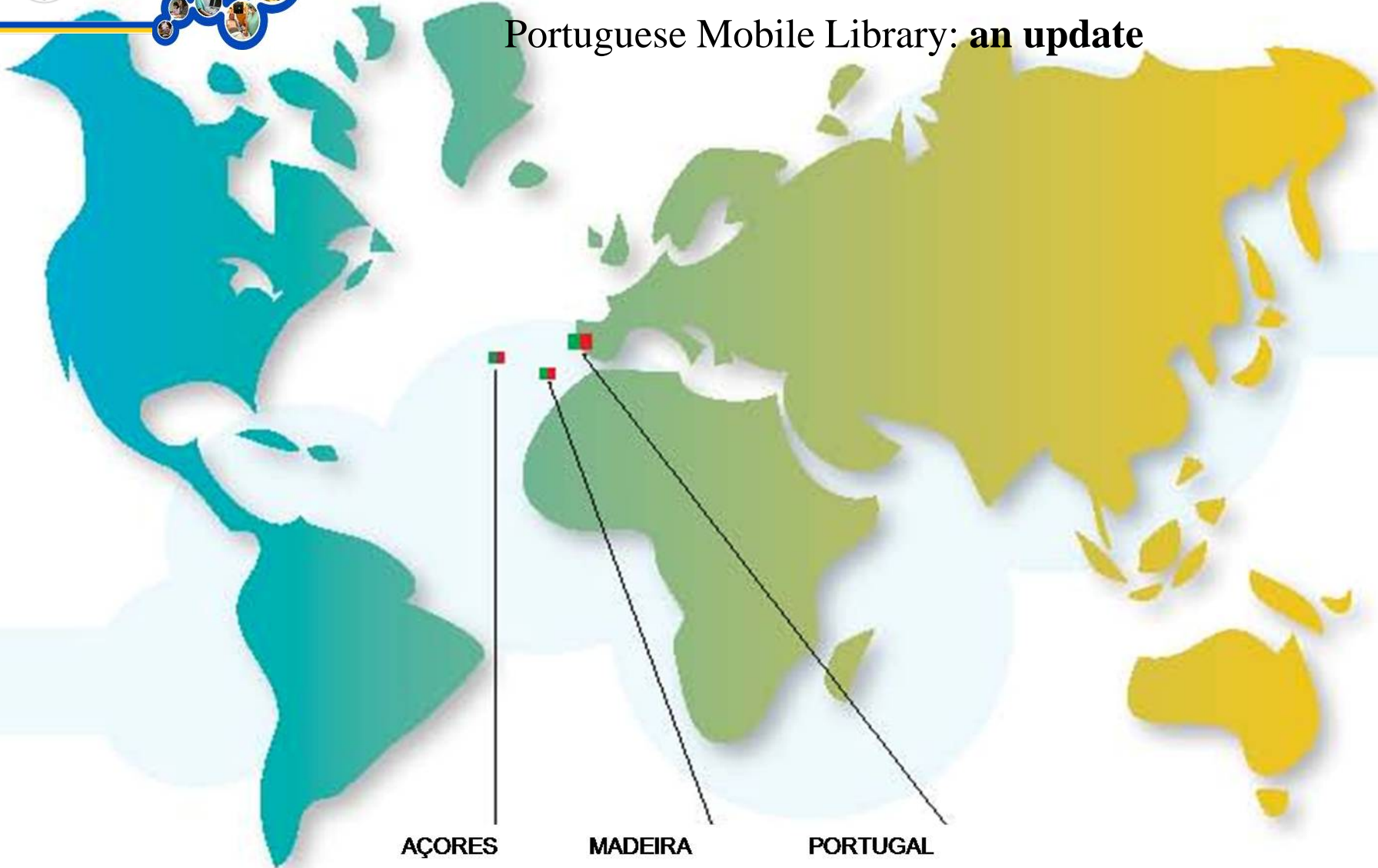
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### 1. Ordem dos Enfermeiros



The **Ordem dos Enfermeiros** is a public association established in 1998, free and autonomous in the scope of its attributions, with juridical personality, independent of the State, competent authority and representative of nursing and midwifery graduates who practice in Portugal, in compliance with the principles of their constitution and the applicable legislation.

The main aim of the **Ordem dos Enfermeiros** is to promote the defence of the quality of nursing care rendered to the population, as well as to develop, regulate and control the practice of nursing and midwifery, guaranteeing that ethical and professional deontology rules are respected.





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## 2. The OE/ICN Mobile Library

May 2009, Lisbon

### **Health Ministers meeting**

Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (CPLP in Portuguese)

### **Ordem dos Enfermeiros**

Meeting to inform, discuss and evaluate the OE /ICN Mobile Library

Representatives of the **NNA's** of

**Angola**

**Cabo Verde**

**Guiné-Bissau**

**Moçambique**

**São Tomé e Príncipe**





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### Number of ML's /Country



- Angola - 9
- Cabo Verde - 3
- Guiné-Bissau – 3
- Moçambique - 7
- S. Tomé e Príncipe - 3



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### Mobile library locations 2007/2008 (1/2)

Year	Country	Nº ML's	City	Country / District
		1	Cabinda	Cabinda
		1	Caxito	Bengo
		1	Uíge	Uíge
		1	N'dalatando	Quanza Norte
<b>2007</b>	<b>Angola</b>	1	Malange	Malange
		1	Huambo	Huambo
		1	Lubango	Huíla
		1	Saurimo	Lunda Sul
		1	Luena	Moxico
		1	Xai-Xai	Gaza
2007	<b>Moçambique</b>	1	Beira	Sofala
		1	Lichinga	Niassa
		1	São Tomé	Água Grande
<b>2007</b>	<b>S. Tome &amp; Principe</b>	1	Caué	Caué
		1	Príncipe	R. A. Príncipe



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### Mobile library locations 2007/2008 (2/2)

		1	Tete	Tete
<b>2008</b>	<b>Moçambique</b>	1	Pemba	Cabo Delgado
		1	Quelmane	Zambézia
		1	Inhambane	Inhambane
		1	Praia	Ilha de Santiago
<b>2008</b>	<b>Cabo Verde</b>	1	Ribeira Grande	Ilha de Santo Antão
		1	São Filipe	Ilha do Fogo
<b>2008</b>	<b>Guiné-Bissau</b>	1	Bissau	Bissau
		1	Bafatá	Bafatá
		1	Mansoa	Oio





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### Mobile library locations users & loans

Country	Year	ML	Number of readers/ ML book loans					Total
			Nurses	Physicians	Other HCW	Students Nursing Medicine	Other Professionals	
São Tome *	2007	3						1,300
Moçambique**	2007	7						
Angola	2007	9	960	40	50	80	30	1,160
Cabo Verde	2008	3	45	7	2	10	1	65
Guine Bissau	2008	3	***375		36	487		898
<b>Total</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>1,380</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3,423</b>

### Synthesis of the information provided during the May 2009 meeting

- \* Data presented descriptively
- \*\* Only qualitative data presented
- \*\*\* Includes nursing auxiliaries and midwives



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### Reflexions – main positive aspects mentioned

- **Updating of scientific knowledge;**
- **Improvement of health care delivery;**
- **Contribution to the training of nursing, medicine and other students;**
- **Contribution to the improvement of nurses's self- esteem;**
- **Reinforcement of the nursing profession**
- **Participation and commitment of nurses in the ML project;**
- **Support from the directors of the health institutions in some countries (hospitals; health centres; health delegations).**



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### Reflexions – main difficulties

- **Insufficient number of ML's;**
- **Lack of resources to ensure internal mobility and ML's maintenance;**
- **Lack of resources to train ML's managers ;**
- **Lack of resources to support the travels of the national coordinator to the regions where the ML's are located;**
- **Poor support (in some countries) from the governmental entities to the ML's displacement.**



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### 3. NNA's future perspectives

- **Improve supervision and support;**
- **Provide the remaining provinces with ML's;**
- **Promote and ensure informations and experience sharing between provinces and CPLP countries;**
- **Increase the number of readers;**
- **Improve the dissemination of information about the ML's**
- **Seek funding from potential partners to ensure functioning;**
- **Correct the identified difficulties and ensure country coverage**



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### OE's Programme Team and NNA representatives



May 2009

Lisbon

CPLP Health Ministers meeting – Mobile library session



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The image shows a webpage titled "OE / ICN MOBILE LIBRARY". On the left, there is a vertical orange banner with the text "OE/ICN MOBILE LIBRARY" in white. The main content area has a white background with the logos of the Ordem dos Enfermeiros and the International Council of Nurses at the top. Below the logos, the title "OE / ICN MOBILE LIBRARY" is followed by the subtitle "A solidary project". The text describes the project's goals, its history, and its current status. It mentions that the project was implemented in several African English-speaking countries and adapted for Portuguese-speaking countries. It also notes that the original project was created by the International Council of Nurses (ICN) and implemented in several African English-speaking countries. The project was adapted under the designation of "Biblioteca Móvel" (the Portuguese translation of Mobile Library). The OE/ICN Mobile Library in Portuguese (OE/ICN ML) is being developed since 2005. In order to accomplish it, a Memorandum of Understanding was agreed between OE and ICN, and several agreements with national nursing associations (from Angola, Mozambique, St. Tome & Principe, Cabo Verde (April, 2008), and Guinea-Bissau (June, 2008) were signed. ICN has offered and sent four Portuguese Mobile Libraries to the Under-Secretary of State for Health in Luanda. At the bottom, there is a section titled "MOBILE LIBRARY: WHY AND WHAT?" which states that nurses deliver more than 80% of health care in developing countries, often in remote areas with poor or no access to up-to-date health information, namely nursing information. It also mentions that everyday these nurses are called upon to care for people with diseases, such as HIV/AIDS, and to treat those who are suffering from emerging zoonoses, including TB and malaria.

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