



It was a privilege to meet with distinguished leaders and experts in global health and biomedical engineering. The team of professionals working toward advancing healthcare systems across Africa included Massimo Migani Medical Director of the LGH, Prof. Stefano Severi and Caterina Giuliani from the University of Bologna and Lisa Bonori a voluntary pediatrician.

I also had the opportunity to engage with a dedicated team of professionals such as Caterina Giuliani, biomedical engineer and project manager, and Lisa Bonori, voluntary paediatrician, all working toward advancing healthcare systems across Africa.

At the center of our discussions was the Afya Moja Project (“One Health”) a forward-looking initiative aimed at strengthening African capacity in health technologies through collaboration, education, and research.

The project is led by a consortium of leading Italian institutions, including University of Bologna, University of Pisa, University of Naples Federico II, Campus Bio-Medico University of Rome, and Bari Polytechnic, working alongside over 30 African partner universities such as University of Zimbabwe and Midlands State University.

The Afya Moja Project focuses on four key objectives:

- Strengthening African universities’ participation in European projects
- Supporting the development of new teaching modules and research-driven training programs
- Delivering short-term, high-impact training initiatives
- Promoting the inclusion of African experts in shaping international health regulations and standards

Funded under Italy’s National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), this initiative reflects a shared commitment to building sustainable, innovative, and inclusive healthcare ecosystems across Africa.

A strong reminder of the power of partnerships in shaping the future of global health 🌍 🤝

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