



Azule Energy (a bp and Eni company) and Monzino Cardiological Center support healthcare in Angola

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Providing world-class Italian cardio-surgery and cardiology in support of the Angolan population is the aim of the partnership between Azule Energy and the Monzino Cardiology Center, which is developing the Cardinal Dom Alexandre do Nascimento Hospital Complex in Luanda, Angola

Following an agreement signed with the Angolan Ministry of Health, the Monzino Cardiological Center has been selected as the operating partner to implement a "Capacity Building" program with the aim of improving the quality and accessibility to heart disease treatments for the entire Angolan population.

A three-year long "cooperation agreement", 100% funded by Azule Energy, was signed with the Monzino Cardiological Center which focuses on both clinical and managerial aspects. The Monzino Center will be responsible for training Angolan doctors and nurses on-the-job, who will work in the operating rooms alongside Monzino's specialists and will also be responsible for the management of services to optimize treatment, such as through organizing operating theaters and managing exam rooms.

During the initial missions to Luanda, the Monzino surgeons performed over 25 cardiac surgeries together with the local teams with excellent clinical results, which were also achieved thanks to the major support given by the cardio-anesthesiologists both in the operating phase and during the period in reanimation. In addition to the cardiac surgery services, the Monzino cardio-radiologists, in collaboration with the radiologists of the Dom Nascimento Hospital, performed about ten cardiac CT scans



both in patients with ischemic pathology and in patients with congenital heart disease.

In Angola, heart disease in all its forms, both congenital and acquired, represents one of the three major causes of mortality. In its acquired form, rheumatic disease affects many young people by causing serious damage to the heart valves. Life expectancy is around 63 years, with young people comprising almost 67% of the population.

“Azule is very proud and committed to proceed with the social and sustainability agenda from its legacy companies in Angola. Health and education are and will remain one of our focus areas of investment due to its relevance and contribution to the country’s development, with world-class professionals in such an important area”, says Adriano Mongini, Azule Energy CEO.

“Eni’s commitment to health-related issues, which in this circumstance is being continued by Azule Energy, proves to be productive even in highly specialized, technically and managerially complex sectors such as cardio-surgery,” says Filippo Uberti, Eni's Health Manager. “We are proud to have initiated a project in Angola, that will be possible to be treated for a heart problem within the national public health system and this will benefit all Angolans ”.

“It is a great honor to have been chosen for this international collaboration. This is not just a health project, but a great humanitarian project”, comments Professor Gianluca Polvani, Director of Monzino Cardiac Surgery and Project Manager. “The Cardiology Center will help save lives, but above all it will teach doctors and all Angolan staff the skills necessary to become world-class experts in cardiology, giving them the opportunity to save other lives in turn. The Dom Nascimento hospital is an entirely Angolan structure, which has the capacity to become a center of excellence in cardiology and cardiac surgery of reference for the entire Central African continent”.



About us:

Azule Energy is the new 50/50 independent joint venture officially established on 1 August 2022, combining the bp and Eni Angolan businesses. It holds stakes in 16 licenses (of which 6 are exploration blocks) and a participation in the Angola LNG JV. Azule Energy will also take over Eni's share in Solenova, a solar company jointly held with Sonangol, and the collaboration in the Luanda Refinery.

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