

## GVF partners with Smiling World

The ICD Global Visionary Fund began a five-year partnership with [Mundo A Sorrir](#) (Smiling World), a non-governmental organization that promotes oral and general health as a universal right and improves access to health care among populations in situations of socioeconomic vulnerability.

Established in August 2020, the long-term partnership between the [ICD Global Visionary Fund](#) (GVF) and Smiling World permits the provision of both cash and material grants, through the GVF-Henry Schein Cares program to oral health projects for five consecutive years. This partnership highlights a shared core value, humanitarianism. Many leaders of Smiling World are ICD Fellows who embody the value of charitable service. It is the goal of this partnership to improve the health and wellbeing of many people through volunteerism, resources and sustainable measures.

Smiling World implements a sustainable model by incorporating health care, nutrition, prevention and education with collaboration between local volunteers and projects. The organization is active in Portugal and African Portuguese-speaking countries including Guinea-Bissau and São Tomé and Príncipe.

Together, the ICD GVF, ICD Section V Europe and Henry Schein Cares hope to assist Smiling World in its vision “to improve the access to oral health and general health conditions...in view of social inclusion, cooperation and support to development”.



**President of Statutory Direction of Mundo A Sorrir, Dr. Mariana Dolores (left), and ICD Director of Development Dr. Phillip Dowell (right) share the ICD flag with children recipients of dental and health services during the February 2020 mission in Guinea-Bissau.**