



## AORTIC 2015

10<sup>TH</sup> International Conference on Cancer in Africa  
Marrakech, Morocco 18 - 22 NOVEMBER 2015

*In collaboration with the Lalla Salma Foundation for Cancer Prevention & Treatment*

ROADMAP TO CANCER CONTROL IN AFRICA

LA FEUILLE DE ROUTE VERS LE CONTROLE DU CANCER EN AFRIQUE



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### TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED

- Advocacy
- Cancer biology
- Cancer registration
- Chemotherapy and radiation
- Economics of cancer control
- Epidemiology
- Genetics
- Grant writing
- HIV-AIDS related cancers
- National Cancer Control Plans
- Nutrition
- Novel therapies
- Oncology nursing
- Pain management
- Palliative care
- Pathology
- Psycho-oncology
- Sexuality and cancer
- Site-specific cancers

## INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

Dear Colleagues,

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to AORTIC's 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Cancer in Africa entitled "Roadmap to Cancer Control in Africa". Held every two years, the AORTIC conferences provide a unique platform to bring together leading African and international health care professionals in cancer care, advocates, leaders in Government, and various members of the international health industry and global cancer community to meet and discuss cancer-related matters and proffer solutions to significantly reduce the impact of cancer in Africa and indeed around the world.

To make a difference, AORTIC invites you, as a committed member of the international cancer control community, to contribute to and listen to world-renowned speakers, to network with colleagues and professionals from all over the world, and to be exposed to the latest research findings in the cancer arena.

Set in the vibrant, cosmopolitan city of Marrakech, Morocco, the conference aims to build on the solid scientific foundations established through previous AORTIC conferences and will offer a scientific programme covering a diverse range of topics related to cancer control in Africa. Our aim is to equip attendees with diverse tools that can be implemented in resourceful ways.

Do register for AORTIC 2015. Our carefully packaged programme offers you a unique opportunity to change the trajectory of cancer in Africa and the rest of the world. We look forward to welcoming you to Marrakech, Morocco in November 2015.

Professor Ahmed Elzawawy  
AORTIC PRESIDENT



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## ABOUT MARRAKECH

Marrakech is Morocco's third largest city and an important cultural centre. It is filled with historic architecture and busy souks, yet just outside of its boundaries lie the Sahara Desert and the Atlas Mountains. The city has something to offer travellers of all types, from history to modern adventure, and notably the ancient Medina with its courtyards and narrow alleyways.

The city's main airport, Marrakech-Menar International Airport (RAK), is served by flights from all over Europe. Morocco's main entry point is Casablanca's Mohammed V International Airport (CMN) which is only a three-hour flight from London and a six-hour flight from New York. A train trip from Casablanca to Marrakech takes approximately three hours and travel by road approximately two and half hours.

## VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION

The conference venue, Palais des Congrès de Marrakech, is a prestigious building with world-class conference facilities. It is well-positioned near amenities and within walking distance of many hotels and riads (boutique hotels and guesthouses). A convenient hotel booking system is available for AORTIC 2015 participants.

## REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE

Various registration categories are available, including affordable rates for practitioners in developing countries as well as nurses, palliative care workers, students, residents, fellows and AORTIC members. Register online via the conference website: [www.aorticconference.org](http://www.aorticconference.org)

## SUPPORTING ORGANISATIONS

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## ABOUT AORTIC AND OUR CONFERENCES

The African Organisation for Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) is a pan-African, bilingual, multi-disciplinary organisation dedicated to the promotion of cancer care and control in Africa.

Our key objectives are to further research relating to cancers prevalent in Africa and to facilitate and support training initiatives in oncology for health care workers. Our research and training cover a diverse array of issues related to cancer control in Africa such as National Cancer Control Programmes; establishing, advocating and training for Cancer Registration across the continent; and strengthening health care delivery systems, in line with African Union policy.

One way in which AORTIC achieves these objectives is by hosting biennial cancer conferences across Africa. Since the first conference in 1983, attendance has grown to almost 1000 participants from more than 70 countries. This year in Marrakech there will be more than 100 sessions. 752 abstracts were received and 367 will be presented either orally or as posters. In addition, 100 special posters showcasing Moroccan work in cancer care and control will be presented.

These conferences have become the definitive event on the African health calendar, enabling the exchange of ideas and the opportunity to meet oncology leaders from all over the world.

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