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7-10 NOVEMBER 2017

CANCER IN AFRICA: MAKING STRIDES, CREATING SOLUTIONS | 11<sup>TH</sup> CONFERENCE

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

- As of 11 August 2017, subject to change -

### DAY 1 | TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER

07:00 - 17:30 | REGISTRATION

09:00 - 10:30 | OPENING CEREMONY KEYNOTE

Conference 1

Programme

Opening Ceremony

Keynote 1 | TBA, Rwanda

Keynote 2 | Health and human rights, L Denny (South Africa)

Housekeeping and 'What's ahead for the day'?

10:30 - 11:00 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND EXHIBITION

11:00 - 12:30 | CONCURRENT

Conference 1

**PREVENTION AND SCREENING FOR CERVICAL CANCER IN AFRICA**

*Facilitators: N Keita (Republic of Guinea), M-A Muhimpundu (Rwanda), R Sankaranarayanan (India)*

Programme

R Muwonge (France) | Primary and secondary prevention of cervical cancer: Can combined screening and vaccination make a difference in Africa?

D Ramogola-Masire (Botswana) | Integrated implementation of screening and HPV vaccination in Botswana

S Rulisa (Rwanda) | HPV vaccine introduction in Rwanda: Impacts on the broader health system

S Subramanian (Switzerland) | Cost-effectiveness of integrated HPV vaccination and screening: Impact of HIV and non-HIV infected women

S de Sanjosé (Spain) | International Papillomavirus Society

Conference 2

**QUALITY CANCER TREATMENT IN LOW RESOURCE COUNTRIES**

*Facilitators: J Mubiligi (Rwanda), J Orem (Uganda), V Sewram (South Africa), L Shulman (USA)*

Programme

P Ruff (South Africa) | Access to cancer therapeutics in low- and middle-income countries: Regulatory challenges

Y Martei (Botswana) | Cancer drug need forecasting and cost: Methodology and implications for government ministries to prevent stock-outs

L Shulman (USA) | Exploring access to cancer medicines in regard to cost

Conference 3

**PALLIATIVE AND SUPPORTIVE CARE**

*Facilitators: E Luyirika (Uganda), C Ntizimira (Rwanda)*

Programme

E Luyirika (Uganda) | Cancer control and palliative care in Africa

E Krakauer (USA) | Palliative care in WHO agenda: Where are we?

F Kiyanga (Uganda) | African Palliative Care Standards were developed and how they improve the quality of care for cancer patients

Conference 4	<b>IMPROVING HEALTH SYSTEMS: PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMICS</b> <i>Facilitators: J Moodley (South Africa), R Murillo (Columbia), F Ntaganda (Rwanda)</i>	<b>Programme</b> R Murillo (Columbia)   Health systems research and cancer control J Moodley (South Africa)   Achieving earlier diagnosis of symptomatic cancer R Sankaranarayanan (India)   Delivery of cancer care in low-and middle-income countries E Luyirika (Uganda)   Palliative care in low resource settings: practice and research M Wallace (South Africa)   Behavioural science and cancer control
Conference 5	<b>ADVOCACY</b> <i>Facilitators: K Asante-Shongwe (South Africa), F Odedina (USA), VH Simons (Spain)</i>	<b>Programme</b> K Asante-Shongwe (South Africa)   Cancer advocacy in Africa: An overview V Simons (Spain)   Cancer advocacy funding models for Africa DD Ricks (USA)   Patient navigation model for Africa M Jackson Scroggins (USA)   Stand Up To Cancer: A model for advocate-scientist collaboration Panel discussion
12:30 - 13:30   LUNCH AND EXHIBITION		
13:30 - 14:30   POST LUNCH WORKSHOP HOUR		
Ad hoc meeting 1	<b>TBA</b> <i>Facilitators:</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>(to follow)</i>
Ad hoc meeting 2	<b>CANCER SURVIVORS FORUM</b> <i>Facilitators: M Jackson Scroggins (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> B Wiafe (Ghana)   General country-specific issues and cancer-focused programs and experiences: An advocacy group's perspective P Mugenzi (Rwanda)   Early detection, anti-cancer therapies in low-resource settings, management issues, research, and outcomes: A medical healthcare professional's perspective M Williams (USA)   Programmes in Africa, survivor/advocate involvement, and ways to become engaged: An international organization/agency's perspective
Conference 3	<b>SURGERY IN AFRICA</b> <i>Facilitators: M Mutebi (Kenya), S Rayne (South Africa)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Network building in Africa: from theory to practice now</i> A Bhangu (UK)   GlobalSurg: The practice of surgical research and a trials networks for LMICs M Mutebi (Kenya)   PAWAS: Strengthening the workforce and retaining women through mentorship and diversity E Rwamasirabo (Rwanda)   Advocacy to government by surgeons for high-level change in surgery S Rayne (South Africa)   Multi-disciplinary research networks for oncology: sharing our best practice in difficult situations Panel discussion
Conference 4	<b>ONCOLOGY NURSING: CANCER CONTROL AND PREVENTION</b> <i>Facilitators: A Oluwatosin (Nigeria), A Young (UK)</i>	<b>Programme</b> V Hategekimana (Rwanda)   Nursing initiatives for cancer control in Rwanda C Ndikom (Nigeria)   Nurse-led cervical screening programs S Biolous (USA)   Tobacco control pan-Africa: Nursing implications Discussion on 'Nursing Solutions'
Conference 5	<b>CANCER REGISTRIES</b> <i>Facilitators: F Bray (France), DM Parkin (UK)</i>	<b>Programme</b> A Korir (Kenya)   Cancer in Sub Saharan Africa B Karima (Morocco)   Cancer in North Africa DC Stefan (South Africa)   Cancer of childhood in Africa G N'Da (Cote d'Ivoire)   Cancer in Francophone West Africa
14:30 - 14:40   TRANSFER TIME		

Conference 1	<p><b>PREVENTION AND SCREENING FOR CERVICAL CANCER IN AFRICA</b> <i>(continued)</i> Facilitators: N Keita (Republic of Guinea), M-A Muhimpundu (Rwanda), R Sankaranarayanan (India)</p>	<p><b>Programme</b> S Kapambwe (Zambia)   Lessons learned from the evolution and expansion of cervical screening in Zambia MA Muhimpudu (Rwanda)   Lessons learned from cervical cancer screening using CareHPV testing in Rwanda R Saidu (Nigeria)   The role of screen and treat in cervical cancer prevention R Sankaranarayanan (India)   Research priorities in cervical cancer prevention in low and high-income countries N Keita (Republic of Guinea)   Cervical cancer prevention in Francophone Africa</p>
Conference 2	<p><b>QUALITY CANCER TREATMENT IN LOW RESOURCE COUNTRIES</b> <i>(continued)</i> Facilitators: J Mubiligi (Rwanda), J Orem (Uganda), V Sewram (South Africa), L Shulman (USA)</p>	<p><b>Programme</b> C Shyirambere (Rwanda)   Value of treatment pathways to improve quality, reduce errors, and improve patient outcomes F Karsan (Kenya) and J Orem (Uganda)   Implementing radiation in low-resource settings: Challenges and road forward D Ruhangaza (Rwanda)   Quality pathology through leapfrog technology and tele-pathology R Ghebre (Rwanda)   Realistic gynaecological cancer surgical options for low resource settings</p>
Conference 3	<p><b>PALLIATIVE AND SUPPORTIVE CARE</b> <i>(continued)</i> Facilitators: E Luyirika (Uganda), C Ntizimira (Rwanda)</p>	<p><b>Programme</b> J C Tayari (Rwanda)   Myths and obstacles for narcotics drugs in palliative care JF Cleary (USA)   Palliative care as public health issue: A perspective in UHC J Oneill (USA)   Lessons from PEPFAR that are relevant to cancer and palliative care in Africa S Ndiaye (Senegal)   Psychosocial approach in paediatric palliative care: African culture experiences in Senegal</p>
Conference 4	<p><b>IMPROVING HEALTH SYSTEMS: PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMICS</b> <i>(continued)</i> Facilitators: J Moodley (South Africa), R Murillo (Columbia), F Ntaganda (Rwanda)</p>	<p><b>Programme</b> E Singh (South Africa)   Sources of information for cancer control planning DC Stefan (South Africa)   Overview of resources for cancer care in Africa A Zakariah (Ghana)   The future cost of cancer care in Ghana F Meheus (France)   Cost-effectiveness versus affordability in making cancer control decisions F Ntaganda (Rwanda), I Adewole (Nigeria), DC Stefan (South Africa)   Panel Discussion: Strengthening health systems to achieve comprehensive cancer control in LMIC</p>
Conference 5	<p><b>CANCER REGISTRIES</b> <i>(continued)</i> Facilitators: F Bray (France), DM Parkin (UK)</p>	<p><b>Programme</b> E Kantelhardt (Germany)   Influence of clinical, pathological and treatment factors on outcome of common cancers in Africa Y Joko (Cameroon)   Trends of BC in East Africa S Chasimpha (Malawi)   Staging cancer in cancer registries: Essential TNM F Bray (France)   Survival from cancer in Africa – SurvCan 3 M Parkin (UK)   Estimating cancer in Africa in Globocan 2016</p>

# DAY 2 | WEDNESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER

07:00 - 17:30 | REGISTRATION

07:15 - 08:20 | ROUNDTABLE FOCUS GROUPS

## NATIONAL CANCER CONTROL PROGRAMMES

*Facilitators: I Adewole (Nigeria), C Lorenzoni (Mozambique), J-M Dangou (Congo)*

### Programme

A Ilbawi (Switzerland) | Developing a resource appropriate and comprehensive NCCP in LMIC  
 K Duncan (USA) | Framework for a systematic and equitable implementation of NCCP  
 F Meheus (France) | Resource mobilization and allocation for NCCP implementation  
 Z Tittenbrun (Switzerland) | Engaging with partners and local communities for NCCP  
 A Karagu (Kenya) | Experience sharing from Kenya (M&E framework)  
 C Lorenzoni (Mozambique) | Barriers to establishing NCCP in PALOP region/Mozambique

## IMPROVING QUALITY OF RADIOTHERAPY DELIVERY IN AFRICA

*Facilitators: D Abuidris (Sudan), V Vanderpuye (Ghana), K Hopkins (Austria)*

### Programme

N Ndlovu (Zimbabwe), H Simonds (South Africa), A Elzawawy (Egypt) will discuss the following based on their separate resource settings with a focus on cervical cancer:  
 1. What infrastructure, equipment and staff are required / employed?  
 2. What treatment delivery methods are used (2D/3D, fractionation, etc.?)  
 3. How is the service maintained and what provision is there for sustainability?  
 K Hopkins (Austria) | Bridging the gap in Africa: how can IAEA help?

## CURRENT STATUS OF BIOMARKER TESTING IN CANCER AND BIOBANKING

*Facilitators: M Mendy (France), S Prince (South Africa)*

### Programme

The round table discussion will focus on the current status of biomarker testing globally and in Africa and how biobanking can contribute towards their development and validation and their utility in clinical settings.  
  
 Participants: M Henderson (USA), M Mendy (France), R Lawlor (Italy), R Naidoo (South Africa), S Prince (South Africa)

## IS SEXUAL HEALTH AFTER CANCER TREATMENT RELEVANT ALSO IN AFRICAN COUNTRIES?

*Facilitators: S Gueye (Senegal), L Incrocci (Netherlands)*

### Programme

Discussion will focus on common sexual dysfunctions after treatment of cancer, their treatment options and their relevance specifically in regard to the African population.

## ADVOCATES ROUND TABLE: PATIENT NAVIGATION MODELS

*Facilitators: DD Ricks (USA), M Scroggins (USA)*

### Programme

Patient navigation is an intervention developed to reduce disparities in cancer care that is being widely replicated and receiving considerable support for demonstration projects and research to test its effectiveness globally. This round table discussion will focus on best practices for patient navigation in Africa.

08:20 - 08:25 | TRANSFER TIME

08:25 - 09:25 | MORNING WORKSHOP HOUR

<p>Ad hoc meeting 1</p>	<p><b>AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY: CREATING CANCER EDUCATION MATERIALS (Part 1)</b>  <i>Facilitators: K McComb (USA)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>  <i>Supported by ACS</i>  <i>This is part one of a two-part session.</i> The American Cancer Society (ACS) and the Johns Hopkins University Center for Communications Programs (CCP) collaborated with cancer partners in Kenya, Uganda, and Ethiopia over the past two years to create a series of culturally-and language appropriate cancer education materials. This session will describe the P-process that was utilized to develop strategic health communication and demonstrate its applicability for the development or adaption of all types of cancer education materials from prevention and early detection to patient education.</p>
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<p>Ad hoc meeting 2</p>	<p><b>TARGETED THERAPIES</b>  <i>Facilitators: NA Othieno-Abinya (Kenya)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>                  B Rapoport (South Africa)   Immune-check point inhibition in cancer therapy                  T Mughal (USA)   Will tyrosine kinase inhibitors play a major role in cancer therapy in 2017 and beyond?                  NA Othieno-Abinya (Kenya)   How long will conventional cytotoxic chemotherapy survive in the era of targeted therapies?                  Panel Discussion</p>
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<p>Conference 3</p>	<p><b>FINANCING HEALTH CARE</b>  <i>Facilitators: C Shyirambere (Rwanda), DC Stefan (South Africa)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>                  A Elzawayy (Egypt)   Mobilisation of resources for cancer care services in Africa: Myths, realities and hopes                  F Ntaganda (Rwanda)   Health insurance: the Rwanda experience. Toward universal health coverage</p>
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<p>Conference 4</p>	<p><b>IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE PRIORITIES: CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL</b>  <i>Facilitators: S Subramanian (Switzerland)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>  <i>Supported by RTI International</i>                  Participants: L Denny (South Africa), S Kampambwe (Zambia), R Ramogola-Masire (Botswana), R Sankaranarayanan (France)                  This panel discussion will focus on best practices and optimal approaches for scaling up cervical cancer prevention, screening and treatment. Audience participation is highly encouraged to obtain feedback from multiple African countries on practical experiences gained in introducing HPV vaccination, implementing screening services and expanding treatment.</p>
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09:25 - 09:30 | TRANSFER TIME

09:30 - 10:30 | KEYNOTE

<p>Conference 1</p>		<p><b>Programme</b>  <b>Keynote 3</b>   Ethnic specific breast cancer risk estimates for screening and survival, and new developments in predicting recurrence by circulating miRNA, O Olopade (USA)  <b>Keynote 4</b>   The state of cancer surgery in Africa: Implication on outcomes, R Sullivan (UK)                  Housekeeping and 'What's ahead for the day'?</p>
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10:30 - 11:00 | REFRESHMENT BREAK AND EXHIBITION

Conference 1	<b>AORTIC - ASCO SYMPOSIUM</b> <i>Facilitators: N Hammad (Canada)</i>	<b>Programme</b> T Fojo (USA)   Understanding who benefits from a therapy is essential to understanding value and making wise decisions Y Martei (USA)   Access to WHO essential cancer medicines in Sub-Saharan Africa D Abuidris (Sudan)   Drug access in Africa: Sudan A Denburg (Canada)   Access to essential medicines for childhood cancer: From challenges to innovative solutions
Conference 2	<b>BIG CAT AWARDEES</b> <i>Facilitators: J Alaro (USA), J Welch (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by NCI</i> A Guisseve (Mozambique)   Hormone receptors and human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 in breast cancer in Mozambique: Patterns of expression and relation with aetiology, management and prognosis D Kassaman (Kenya)   Cancer related health literacy status, information and education needs of patients diagnosed with cancers of the cervix and breast in Kenya V Kayamba (Zambia)   Gastric cancer in Zambia: Estimating environmental risks due to mycotoxins and biomass smoke exposure S Kirimunda (Uganda)   HLA Class I in Burkitt Lymphoma in East African minors L Masamba (Malawi)   Incidence of neutropaenia and its complication in chemotherapy patients at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre, Malawi M Sengayi (South Africa)   Burden of cancer attributable to HIV in South Africa (2004-2014) S Dawsey (USA) and M Mwachiro (Kenya)   Mentor-Mentee Session
Conference 3	<b>BURKITT LYMPHOMA</b> <i>Facilitators: N Brand (Kenya), L Leoncini (Italy), S Mbulaiteye (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Clinical and aetiology</i> F Okuku (Uganda)   Treatment of Burkitt Lymphoma in Africa A Coghill (USA)   EBV serological profiles associated with Burkitt Lymphoma in Ghana: What's new? S Mbulaiteye (USA)   Unique EBV LMP-1 variant sequences in Burkitt Lymphoma from different world regions L Prokunina-Olsson (USA)   Genetic resistance to malaria and Burkitt Lymphoma: Preliminary results from EMBLEM  <i>Genetics of Burkitt Lymphoma</i> R Siebert (Germany)   Whole genome, epigenome and transcriptome profiling of Burkitt Lymphoma B Grande (Canada)   Burkitt Lymphoma Genome Sequencing Project (BLGSP): Introduction M Gouveia (Brasil)   Population admixture of Nilotic populations L Leoncini (Italy)   WHO Classification of Lymphoma update with special reference to Burkitt Lymphoma

Conference 4	<b>QUALITY ASSURANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PATHOLOGY IN AFRICA</b> <i>Facilitators: A Adesina (USA), E Vuhahula (Tanzania), M Botteghi (Italy)</i>	<b>Programme</b> O Owusu-Afriyie (Ghana)   Capacity building in Africa: The Kumasi experiment D Milner (USA)   The African pathology project: American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) S Guzzetti (Italy)   Quality assurance in breast pathology S Hauptmann (The Netherlands)   Quality assurance in gynaecological pathology O Ogunbiyi (Nigeria)   Basic steps for implementing QA/QC in low resource setting J Nsonde Malanda (Republic of Congo)   Pathology diagnostics and oncological care in Sub-Saharan Africa: An oncologist's perspective
Conference 5	<b>LAUNCH OF THE NCCN HARMONISED CLINICAL PRACTISE GUIDELINES IN ONCOLOGY: SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA EDITION</b> <i>Facilitators: I Adewole (Nigeria), J Orem (Uganda)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Presentation of the draft guidelines by the African Cancer Coalition</i> K Abdella (Ethiopia)   Introduction to methodology I Setlhako (Botswana)   Breast cancer SC Msadabwe-Chikuni (Zambia)   Cervical cancer A Bello (Nigeria)   Prostate cancer F Okuku (Uganda)   Kaposi sarcoma L Masamba (Malawi)   B-cell lymphomas I Kolawole (Nigeria)   Pain and symptom relief/palliative care  R Carlson (USA)   NCCN: Presentation of plan for access and updates J Mangan (USA)   IBM Health Corps presentation of Watson for Oncology: Africa
12:30 - 13:30   LUNCH AND EXHIBITION		
13:30 - 14:30   POST LUNCH WORKSHOP HOUR		
Ad hoc meeting 1	<b>ONCOLOGY NURSING: SYMPTOMATIC CARE</b> <i>Facilitators: M Lazenby (USA), A Galassi (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> S Bialous (USA)   Introduction to ISNCC L Buswell (USA) and C Muhayimana (Rwanda)   Five years of nurse training: Impact on cancer care in Rwanda J Downing (Uganda)   Nursing at the forefront of pain management in Africa: Progress over 2 decades D Mukasahaha (Rwanda)   Policy making for symptomatic care M Fitch (Canada)   Discussion on 'Nursing Solutions'
Ad hoc meeting 2	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session A): MIXED ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: S Cowal (USA), M Jalloh (Senegal)</i>	<b>Programme</b> G Clifford (France)   Evaluation of CAREHPV-Testing and visual inspection for cervical cancer screening in Rwanda C Blanchard (South Africa)   Spiritual need in patients with late stage cancer at Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital in Soweto, South Africa L Motsuku (South Africa)   Trends in lung cancer incidence and smoking rates among South African adults: 1997 - 2012 N Campos (USA)   The cost-effectiveness of cervical cancer screening in women living with HIV in South Africa S Gupta (Canada)   Childhood cancer treatment in Sub-Saharan Africa is very cost-effective: Evidence from Ghana
Conference 3	<b>BRINGING CYTOGENETICS TO AFRICA</b> <i>Facilitators: S Ghosh (USA), P Hu (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by MD ANDERSON</i> P Hu (USA)   The utility of cytogenetics and their recognition L Frimpong (USA)   How to set up a cytogenetics laboratory

<b>Conference 4</b>	<b>AFRICAN COLLABORATIVE EPIDEMIOLOGY: SUCCESSES AND PERSPECTIVES</b> <i>Facilitators: J Schuz (France), V McCormack (France)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by IARC</i> M Sengayi (South Africa)   Global consortium of HIV epidemiologic studies (IeDEA) and their activities on cancer in Southern Africa E Kantelhardt (Germany)   Biological characteristics of breast cancer in a multi-country African study V McCormack (France)   Breast cancer survival consortium (ABC-DO) and application of modern fieldwork strategies R Newton (Uganda)   Burkitt lymphoma and Kaposi's sarcoma in sub-Saharan Africa
<b>Conference 5</b>	<b>MERCK</b> <b>Facilitators:</b>	<b>Programme</b> <i>(to follow)</i>
<b>14:30 - 14:40   TRANSFER TIME</b>		
<b>14:40 - 16:30   CONCURRENT</b>		
<b>Conference 1</b>	<b>BUILDING CAPACITY IN ANATOMICAL STAGING: TERMINOLOGY AND ESSENTIAL TNM</b> <i>Facilitators: Z Tittenbrun (Switzerland)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by UICC</i> Z Tittenbrun (Switzerland)   Introduction M Parkin (France)   Discussion of the role of staging in national cancer planning and surveillance J Brierley (Canada)   Presentation of the principles of staging, terminology and common misconceptions S Gupta (Canada)   Presentation of paediatric staging J Brierley (Canada)   Presentation of the opportunities for self-learning: TNM e-modules S Chasimpha (Malawi)   Introduction of Essential TNM and high level presentation and discussion of field trials in African region Panel discussion with all presenters lead by M Parkin (UK)   Feasibility of introducing Essential TNM as a cancer registry tool, challenges and barriers of Essential TNM use in African cancer registries and or clinical use
<b>Conference 2</b>	<b>ADVANCING THE TRANSLATION OF EVIDENCE TO POLICY: CANCER CONTROL PLANNING</b> <i>Facilitators: M Cira (USA), K Duncan (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by NCI</i> A Rositch (US)   The role of dissemination and implementation research in cancer control planning, implementation and evaluation S Kapambwe (Zambia)   Identifying relevant research, and moving for from pilot to scale-up: Cervical cancer in Zambia A Karagu (Kenya)   Strengthening collaboration between researchers and policymakers to set a national cancer research agenda: The Kenya experience N Tapela (Botswana)   Building the Evidence for Evidence-informed policies for cancer control: Experience from Botswana leveraging planning for Southern Africa's regional centre for NCDs research excellence. H Wabinga (Uganda)   Utilizing cancer surveillance data to support national cancer planning: National Cancer Control Plan development in Uganda



**Conference 3** **ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session B): EPIDEMIOLOGY ABSTRACTS**  
*Facilitators: G Hammons (USA), L Ngendahayo (Burundi)*

**Programme**

H Diop-NDIAYE, H (Senegal) | HPV genotypes in high-grade intraepithelial neoplasia lesions and invasive cancers in the African Consortium on Cervical Cancer Control Research (COFAC-Col)  
S Dryden-Peterson, S (USA) | Estimating the full cancer burden: Quantifying cancer cases not receiving treatment in Botswana  
J Glasbey (UK) | International variation in outcomes after cancer surgery  
M-J Horner (USA) | High cancer burden among antiretroviral therapy users in the Malawi HIV-cancer match study  
L Kwagonza (Uganda) | Epidemiologic characteristics of top five cancers in men and women in Kampala, Uganda  
A Martin (USA) | Geographic information systems mapping of gastric cancer in Rwanda and tracking of surgical outcomes  
T Minas (USA) | An IFNL4 polymorphism predisposes to aggressive prostate cancer among those exposed to sexually transmitted agent during early adulthood  
G Olorunfemi (South Africa) | Risk factors of cervical cancer among black South Africans in the Post-Apartheid and anti-retroviral eras: Analysis of Johannesburg Cancer Case Control Study (1995 - 2010)  
J Utumatwishima(USA) | High allostatic load score identifies African immigrants at increased risk for cardio-metabolic diseases: Africans in America study  
N Pritchett (USA) | Higher serum selenium concentration is associated with a higher prevalence of oesophageal squamous dysplasia in Bomet, Kenya

**Conference 4** **ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session C): PALLIATIVE CARE AND OTHER ABSTRACTS**  
*Facilitators: E Luyirika (Uganda), A Nyaka bao (Zimbabwe)*

**Programme**

N Buyinza (Uganda) | The psychosocial and economic effects of caring for terminally ill cancer patients: The case of Hospice Africa Uganda  
F Kiyange (Uganda) | Prevalence and factors associated with domestic violence among palliative care patients: A systematic review  
E Krakauer (USA) | The Lancet Commission on Global Access To Palliative Care and Pain Control: Findings and recommendations  
E Mwebesa (Uganda) | Lowering the cost of pharmaceutical manufacture of oral liquid morphine results in more optimal management of cancer pain in Uganda  
C Ntege (Uganda) | The shelf life study of the reconstituted oral liquid morphine solution in Uganda for palliative care patients: Strengthening the supply chain and increasing access  
L Plattner(USA) | Increasing facility-based pain management through a low-cost training initiative  
J Rhee (Rhee) | The APCA Atlas of Palliative Care Development in Africa: A comparative analysis  
JC Tayari (Rwanda) | The availability of opioid analgesics for pain management: Empowering pharmacists to play a vital role in creating equitable supply chains  
S Yennu (USA) | Echo Palliative Care in Africa: Telementoring to improve the quality of palliative care in Sub-Saharan Africa  
V Okwor (Nigeria) | The impact of support group intervention on quality of life of patients with advanced breast cancer

**Conference 5**

**CERVIX AND  
GYNAECOLOGICAL  
CANCERS**

*Facilitators: S de Sanjosé  
(Spain), G Dreyer (South  
Africa), P Mugenzi  
(Rwanda)*

**Programme**

K Schmeler (USA) | IGCS Global Curriculum: Progress and future  
M Odida (Uganda) | Burden of gynaecological cancer in Africa  
L Snyman (South Africa) | Optimal diagnosis of post-menopausal bleeding: Why  
is it a priority and how should it be done  
N Bhatla (India) | Staging of Gynaecological cancers: What the future holds  
S Fourie (South Africa) | Non-endometroid endometrial cancers: Differences in  
behaviour and management

**16:30 - 17:00 | AORTIC MEMBERS TEA**

**17:00 - 18:30 | AORTIC GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

# DAY 3 | THURSDAY, 9 NOVEMBER

07:00 - 17:30 | REGISTRATION

07:15 - 08:20 | ROUNDTABLE FOCUS GROUPS

	<p><b>CANCER AND THE MICROBIOME</b>  <i>Facilitators: M Kaba (Republic of Guinea)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>            A discussion around the role of the microbiome in cancer development and treatment.</p>
	<p><b>CHILDREN WITH CANCER</b>  <i>Facilitators: DC Stefan (South Africa), K Aimable (Rwanda)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>            A discussion around innovative approaches to improve childhood cancer care in Africa.             Participants: P Bey (France), S Gupta (Canada), T Lisine (Rwanda), C Shyirambere (Rwanda)</p>
	<p><b>THE IMPACT OF LATE PRESENTATION ON CANCER SURVIVAL IN AFRICA</b>  <i>Facilitators: R Anorlu (Nigeria), O Ginsburg (USA), L Snyman (South Africa)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>            F Bray (France)   Burden of cancer in Africa            DM Parkin (UK)   Cancer survival in Africa            O Salako (Nigeria)   Why do patients with cancer present late?            M Mutebi (Kenya)   Challenges of treatment of cancer in Africa            L Denny (South Africa)   How do we address the problem of late presentation/late diagnosis in Africa?</p>
	<p><b>CARE FOR FAMILIES OF CANCER SUFFERERS</b>  <i>Facilitators: C Asuzu (Nigeria), P Odiyo (Kenya)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>            B Brown (Nigeria)   Burden of care givers of families of cancer sufferers            S Nichols (USA)   Support for families of cancer sufferers            W Olaly (Kenya)   Psychological impact of fear of reoccurrence among families of cancer sufferers</p>
	<p><b>ADVOCATES ROUND TABLE: INNOVATIVE FUNDING MODELS FOR NGOS</b>  <i>Facilitators: K Asante-Shongwe (South Africa), V Simons (Spain)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>            Fundraising advocacy focuses on raising funds for cancer research, support services, patient education and community outreach. However, it is becoming more and more difficult for advocates to raise funds for their cause. This round table discussion will focus on innovative fundraising models for Africa.</p>

08:20 - 08:25 | TRANSFER TIME

08:25 - 09:25 | MORNING WORKSHOP HOUR

Ad hoc meeting 1	<p><b>AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY: TREAT THE PAIN</b>  <i>Facilitator: M O'Brien (USA)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>  <i>Improving access to oral morphine: Production of oral liquid morphine and hospital-based training</i>            A Schwartz (USA)   Introduction            C Igharo (Nigeria)   Nigeria            Z Gizachew (Ethiopia)   Ethiopia            H Kambale (Swaziland)   Swaziland            E Muinga (Kenya) and A Kinyanjui (Kenya)   Kenya            L Plattner (USA)   Closing</p>
Ad hoc meeting 2	<p><b>IAEA</b>  <i>Facilitators: N Enwerem-Bromson (Austria)</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>  <i>(to follow)</i></p>
Conference 3	<p><b>ROCHE</b>  <i>Facilitators:</i></p>	<p><b>Programme</b>  <i>(to follow)</i></p>

Conference 4	NOVARTIS: ONCOLOGY SESSION <i>Facilitators:</i>	Programme <i>(to follow)</i>
09:25 - 09:30   TRANSFER TIME		
09:30 - 10:30   KEYNOTE		
Conference 1		Programme <b>Keynote 5</b>   Being a Minister of Health in Africa, I Adewole (Nigeria) <b>Keynote 6</b>   The future of genomics in cancer management, T Rebbeck (USA)  Housekeeping and 'What's ahead for the day'?
10:30 - 11:00   REFRESHMENT BREAK AND EXHIBITION		
11:00 - 12:30   CONCURRENT		
Conference 1	BLADDER AND PROSTATE CANCER <i>Facilitators: S Gueye (Senegal), M Jalloh (Senegal), T Rebbeck (USA)</i>	Programme T Rebbeck (USA)   Epidemiology of bladder and prostate cancer in Africa K Ouldin (Morocco)   State of genetic and genomic research in Northern Africa E Moshokoa (South Africa)   The role of PSMA in treatment of metastatic prostate cancer J D-K Coulibaly (Cote d'Ivoire)   Neo adjuvant chemotherapy for bladder cancer M Jalloh (Senegal)   Training for the surgery of urogenital cancer in Sub Saharan Africa
Conference 2	LYMPHOMAS <i>Facilitators: K Bhatia (USA), S Gopal (Malawi)</i>	Programme P Piccaluga (Italy)   Indolent NHL in Africa: understudied and perhaps different from resource-rich settings? Y Fedoriw (USA)   Biological differences between HIV+ and HIV- diffuse large B-cell lymphoma in Africa N Othieno-Abinya (Kenya)   Overview of Hodgkin lymphoma in Africa S Dave (USA)   Using technology to leapfrog resource constraints in the diagnosis and treatment of lymphoma S Gopal (Malawi)   Redesigning lymphoma clinical trials for Africa
Conference 3	CANCER BIOLOGY <i>Facilitators: A Sultan (Egypt), Mohammed (Sudan)</i>	Programme A Sultan (Egypt)   Drug resistance and stem cells B Lyn-Cook (USA)   Inter-individual variation and drug resistance N Onyango (Kenya)   MYCN expression defines a novel rare subtype of MYC-negative Burkitt Lymphoma O Torres-Luquis (USA)   Lymph circulating tumour cells and their lymph microenvironment
Conference 4	CERVIX AND GYNAECOLOGICAL CANCERS <i>(continued)</i> <i>Facilitators: S de Sanjosé (Spain), G Dreyer (South Africa), P Mugenzi (Rwanda)</i>	Programme <i>Supported by IGCS</i> G Dreyer (South Africa)   Uterine soft tissue tumours in African women: When is it NOT just a leiomyoma R Saidu (Nigeria)   Vulval cancer, immunology, HPV genotyping and HIV ZM Chirenje (Zimbabwe)   Role of neoadjuvant chemotherapy in the management of ovarian cancer in Africa and other low resource settings N Mbatani (South Africa)   Role of biomarkers in diagnosis and management of Uterine Cancer

<b>Conference 5</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session D): CANCER ADVOCACY AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: A Adesina (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> I Chibuzo (Nigeria)   The financial face of breast cancer O Folasire (Nigeria)   Effect of nutrition education intervention on nutrition-related cancer prevention knowledge among undergraduates of the University of Ibadan A Martin (USA)   Development of multi-disciplinary tumour board and identification of barriers to access of cancer care at a teaching hospital in Rwanda K McComb(USA)   Empowering cancer civil society in East Africa: Preliminary results of an organizational strengthening program in Kenya and Uganda MC Mugabe (Rwanda)   Comparing gene expert breast cancer stritifier MRNA essay with ER and HER2 IHC (Immunohistochemistry) for rapid biomarker analysis F Rubagumya (Tanzania)   The role of childhood cancer civil societies in cancer control in low income countries J Ladner (France)   Impact of supply chain on patient outcomes in a cancer drug access program in 18 Sub-Saharan African countries S Temin (USA)   American society of clinical oncology resource-stratified guidelines for primary and secondary prevention and treatment of cervical cancer
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**12:30 - 13:30 | LUNCH AND EXHIBITION**

**13:30 - 14:30 | POST LUNCH WORKSHOP HOUR**

<b>Ad hoc meeting 1</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session E): BIOMARKERS, HAEMATOLOGY AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: M Mendy (France)</i>	<b>Programme</b> R Abudu (USA)   Collaborative, multi-funder analysis of the International Cancer Research Portfolio: Tools for evaluation and trends in research funding A Ahmed (Kenya)   Validation of oestrogen receptor (ER), progesterone receptor (PR) and human epidermal growth factor receptor (HER2/NEU) expression on air dried smears and cell blocks in cytologic material from breast cancer patients: C Yates (USA)   Quadruple negative breast cancer patients with African ancestry have an enriched basal and immune signature J Galvin (USA)   Challenges and opportunities for hematopoietic stem cell transplant for hematologic malignancies in sub-Saharan Africa: A systematic review B Shoba (Kenya)   Changing doses of IMATINIB in the treatment of chronic myeloid leukaemia
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<b>Ad hoc meeting 2</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session F): SITE SPECIFIC CANCERS AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: T Ngoma (Tanzania), C Williams (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> W Cherniak (USA)   From HPV vaccination to advanced cancer care: A free open-access comprehensive cervical cancer module for the world R Bornman (South Africa)   Clinical presentation and environmental contributions to aggressive prostate cancer in black South African men L Chuang (USA)   Cervical cancer screening capacity in Africa: A survey of African Organization for Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) membership H Cubasch (South Africa)   Clinical response to neoadjuvant chemotherapy in patients from a tertiary breast unit in Johannesburg, South Africa M Henry (Canada)   Development of a Screening algorithm for early detection of major depressive disorder in head and neck cancer patients post-treatment: A longitudinal study
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Conference 3	<b>RADIOTHERAPY DELIVERY INNOVATIONS: MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF TODAY AND THE FUTURE</b>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by Varian</i> J-M Valentim (Switzerland) and V Ronfle (France)   Latest innovation in radiotherapy systems and achievements on the African continent - Jose-Manuel Valentim and Vincent Ronfle (Varian Medical Systems)  VS Subramanian (India)   RapidArc implementation experience at Yashoda
Conference 4	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session G): PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: D Abuidris (Sudan), DC Stefan (South Africa)</i>	<b>Programme</b> J Lawler-Heavner (USA)   Capacity building in lower- and middle-income countries: What happens when the study ends? G Dugan (Rwanda)   Disease control using a reduced-intensity treatment regimen for acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) at Butaro Cancer Center of Excellence, Rwanda K Lombardo (USA)   Utility of circulating tumour-associated immunoglobulin DNA as a biomarker in Kenyan children with Burkitt Lymphoma A Omoding (Uganda)   Survival analysis of children with endemic Burkitt Lymphoma followed by a clinical care project in Uganda A Denburg (Canada)   Cost effectiveness of treating endemic Burkitt Lymphoma in Uganda
Conference 5	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session H): CANCER REGISTRATION, ONCOLOGY NURSING AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: B Adediji (USA), K Elshamy (Egypt)</i>	<b>Programme</b> T Maniragaba (Tanzania)   Cancer education in Rwanda: Challenges and opportunities P Edwards (USA)   Resource requirements for cancer registration in Africa N Somdyala (South Africa)   How much does it cost to run a population-based cancer registry in South Africa: The case of the Eastern Cape Cancer Registry L Maree (South Africa)   Cancer nursing research in Africa: Scoping the landscape B Ohaeri (Nigeria)   Effects of nurse-led educational programme on awareness and screening practices of prostate cancer among men in selected hospitals in Cross Rivers State, Nigeria
14:30 - 14:40   TRANSFER TIME		
14:40 - 16:30   CONCURRENT		
Conference 1	<b>GERMLINE GENETIC CANCERS: BREAST AND OVARIAN</b> <i>Facilitators: O Olopade (USA), T Rebbeck (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> T Rebbeck (USA)   BRCA1 and BRCA2: What we have learned in the past two decades Y Zheng (USA)   How we help high risk families manage risk from a US perspective? T Ogundiran (Nigeria)   How to identify high risk women in your practice: results from the Nigerian Breast Cancer Study T Wainstein (South Africa)   Training and access to genetic counselling services in South Africa

**Conference 2** **RADIATION AND CHEMOTHERAPY**  
*Facilitators: S Grover (Botswana), H Simonds (South Africa), V Vanderpuye (Ghana)*

**Programme**  
V Vanderpuye (Ghana) | Introduction and background to SIG-RT  
L Court (USA) and B Beadle (USA) | Development of radiotherapy auto-planning in a resource constrained setting  
L Masamba (Malawi) | Antiemetic therapy: Adapting new guideline recommendations in a low resource setting  
L Chuang (USA) | ASCO resource stratified guideline in cervical cancer  
S Grover (Botswana) | The non-surgical management of co-existent HIV and malignancy  
R Wong (Canada) | The use of conformal RT in hepatocellular carcinoma  
A Elzawawy (Egypt) | Could we really reduce the gap between the required and the available radiation and clinical oncology services in Africa and globally?  
H Simonds (South Africa) | Q&A and wrap up

**Conference 3** **HAEMATOLOGY**  
*Facilitator: NA Othieno-Abinya (Kenya)*

**Programme**  
L Leoncini (Italy) | The new WHO entity of high-grade lymphoma  
S Mbulaiteye (USA) | Endemic Burkitt Lymphoma from discovery to 2017: what has changed?  
A Gebremhedin (Ethiopia) | The changing face of chronic myeloid leukaemia  
A Kalebi (Kenya) | Peripheral T-cell lymphoma in Eastern Africa  
R Ali (Sudan) | Diagnosis and treatment of multiple myeloma when resources are limited  
Panel discussion

**Conference 4** **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AND CANCER: PESTICIDES AND OTHER TOXINS**  
*Facilitators: J Schuz (France), E Singh (South Africa)*

**Programme**  
J Schüz (France) | Introduction to the session: Environmental and occupational cancer burden  
M Oudjehih (Algeria) | Risk factors of upper aerodigestive tract cancers in Algeria  
M E Leon (France) | Pesticides and haematological malignancies  
G Ana (Nigeria) | Air pollution in Nigeria  
C Segbefia (Ghana) | Childhood cancer in Africa and the potential impact of the environment

Conference 5

HIV ASSOCIATED  
MALIGNANCIES

Facilitators: ZM Chirenje  
(Zimbabwe), R Yorchoan  
(USA)

Programme

*Supported by NCI*

*Invited talks (16 minute talks, 4 minutes for questions)*

J Martin (USA) | Rapid Case Ascertainment: An approach in Sub-Saharan Africa to the investigation of HIV-associated malignancies and beyond

J Palefsky (USA) | HPV-related disease in HIV-infected women and men: beyond the cervix

*Submitted abstracts (8 minute talks, 2 minutes for questions)*

T Mpunga (Rwanda) | The burden of cancer attributable to HIV in Rwanda

P Warren (USA) | Characterizing effective T-cell immune responses to Kaposi Sarcoma through T-cell receptor sequencing of tumour infiltrating lymphocytes

M Sengayi (South Africa) | Cancer risk in HIV-positive adults receiving antiretroviral therapy in South Africa

G Murenzi (Rwanda) | Prevalence of HPV infection and cervical precancer among Rwanda HIV-infected women screened for cervical cancer

M Nakalembe (Uganda) | Prevention and early detection of cervical cancer through self-administered screening in the community

E Wu (USA) | The impact of human immunodeficiency virus infection on cervical cancer survival in Uganda

T Tomoka (Malawi) | Accurate real-time diagnosis of lymphoproliferative disorders in Malawi through clinicopathologic teleconferences

16:30 - 18:00 | POSTER SESSION 2

19:00 - 22:00 | CONFERENCE DINNER



# DAY 4 | FRIDAY, 10 NOVEMBER

07:00 - 17:30 | REGISTRATION

07:15 - 08:20 | ROUNDTABLE FOCUS GROUPS

## HOW WE USE LANGUAGE IN DISCUSSING CANCER

*Facilitators: F Gany (USA), N Mbatani (South Africa)*

### Programme

*Table 1:*

C Asuzu (Nigeria): The importance of integration of traditional healers in thinking about health care in Africa

S Ndiaye (Senegal): The importance of language about cancer in Francophone Africa

*Table 2:*

F Gany (USA): The importance of language about cancer among people with low health literacy

N Mbatani (South Africa): Language as a barrier to health seeking behaviour amongst women

## SARCOMAS IN AFRICA: DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT

*Facilitators: S Guthua (Kenya), NA Othieno-Abinya (Kenya)*

### Programme

R van Eeden (South Africa) | Curative management of adult soft tissue sarcomas in 2017 and beyond

G Schwartz (USA) | Immunotherapy of sarcomas

S Guthua (Kenya) | Experience with Mandibulo-Maxillofacil Osteogenic Sarcomas in Kenya

## CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES IN CANCER

*Facilitators: C Asuzu (Nigeria), L Manirambona (Rwanda), A Oluwatosin (Nigeria)*

### Programme

B Ohaeri (Nigeria) | Cultural influences on clients' compliance with screening and treatment regime

L Manirambona (Rwanda) | Late presentation (stage of disease at diagnosis): Cultural implications

E Akin-Odayne (Nigeria) | Family supportive care for cancer clients: cultural influence

## BIostatistics in Cancer: WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

*Facilitators: F Bray (France), I Mutyaba (Uganda)*

### Programme

L Mery (France) | Statistics and cancer surveillance: indicators to drive cancer data for action

F Bray (France) | Are we doing enough locally? Efforts to increase statistical capacity in LMIC

C Dickens (South Africa) | Cancer survival in Africa: Losses using ambient data versus mobile health follow-up

I Mutyaba (Uganda) | Modelling cancer outcomes: Tumour response, survival and surrogate outcome

S Mbulaiteye (USA) | Data linkage studies: Opportunities for complementing cancer registry data in Africa

## ADVOCATES ROUNDTABLE: SCIENTISTS <-> SURVIVOR COLLABORATION

*Facilitators: F Odedina (USA), M Scroggins (USA)*

### Programme

Research advocacy works to ensure that high quality research is sensitive to the priorities of cancer patients, including issues of quality of life, and causes and prevention of cancer; assist with strategies to increase patient recruitment, compliance and retention for clinical trials. However, advocates are sometimes challenged to develop a strong relationship with scientists and vice versa. This round table discussion will focus on developing strong scientist-survivor/advocates relationships.

08:20 - 08:25 | TRANSFER TIME

08:25 - 09:25 | MORNING WORKSHOP HOUR

Ad hoc meeting 1	<b>STATE OF PATHOLOGY IN AFRICA</b> <i>Facilitators: JM Kabonga Mpolesha (DR Congo), C Lorenzoni (Mozambique), L Ngendahayo (Burundi)</i>	<b>Programme</b> Y Iliyasu (Nigeria)   State of pathology in Africa: The challenges and the task that must be done A Adesina (USA)   North-South cooperation for capacity building in sub-Saharan Africa P Giovenali (Italy)   Non-governmental organisations and capacity development in sub-Saharan Africa: Associazione patologi oltre frontier (APOF)
Ad hoc meeting 2	<b>AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY: CREATING CANCER EDUCATION MATERIALS (Part 2)</b> <i>Facilitators: K McComb (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>This is part two of a two-part session.</i> This session builds on the previous one by introducing the toolkit that was developed to assist other countries/health institutions to develop or adapt cancer education materials for their local population. This session will also introduce a grant opportunity from the ACS focused on expanding the use of the toolkit to lead a development/adaptation process in other African countries.
Conference 3	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session I): RADIATION AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: A El zawawy (Egypt), N Ndlovu (Zimbabwe)</i>	<b>Programme</b> D Ruhangaza (Rwanda)   How digital pathology is improving cancer diagnosis in rural Sub-Saharan Africa: The experience of Butaro Hospital, Rwanda D Bruner (USA)   Hypofractionation in patients with low-intermediate risk prostate cancer: Have we reached the practice change tipping point with results from NRG Oncology/RTOG 0415? N Taku(Austria)   External beam radiotherapy in West Africa: 1975 - 2015 H Vulpe (Canada)   Virtual Longitudinal Mentorship: A clinical and education research capacity building project for radiation oncology trainees in Ghana K Yamoah(USA)   Treatment patterns and outcomes for low-intermediate risk prostate cancer patients treated with definitive radiotherapy: A cross-continental comparative study between Ghana and the United States
Conference 4	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session J): HIV AND SITE SPECIFIC CANCERS ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: K Bhatia (USA), D Ramogola-Masire (Bostwana)</i>	<b>Programme</b> H Kelly (UK)   Antiretroviral therapy, high-risk human papillomavirus and cervical intraepithelial neoplasia: A systematic review and meta-analysis L Tawe (Botswana)   Preliminary results on high risk human papillomavirus subtypes in cervical cancer specimens in HIV+ and HIV- women from Botswana N Lince-deroche (South Africa)   Using the economic evaluation to advance breast cancer access in South Africa F Mckenzie (France)   Delay intervals in diagnosis within the multi-country African breast cancer: Disparities in outcome (ABC-DO) cohort study J Moodley(South Africa)   From symptom discovery to treatment: Women's pathways to breast cancer care
09:25 - 09:30   TRANSFER TIME		
09:30 - 10:30   KEYNOTE		
Conference 1		<b>Programme</b> <b>Keynote 7</b>   TBA <b>Keynote 8</b>   (Presentation related to cancer in Africa), F Lo (UN Women)  Housekeeping and 'What's ahead for the day'?
10:30 - 11:00   REFRESHMENT BREAK AND EXHIBITION		

Conference 1	<b>OESOPHAGEAL CANCER RESEARCH</b> <i>Facilitators: K Bongani (Malawi), S Dawsey (USA), M Mwachiro (Kenya)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by NCI</i> <i>Current status of oesophageal cancer research in Africa</i> G Murphy (USA)   Oesophageal cancer in Africa: Overview and the AfrECC Consortium V McCormack (France)   Overview of case-control studies: Recruitment, real time harmonisation R White (Kenya)   Surgical treatment options and survival analysis M Mwachiro (Kenya)   Early detection, screening studies and palliation  <i>New findings in oesophageal cancer research in Africa</i> <i>Lifestyle and environment</i> M Oduor (Kenya)   Alcohol and tobacco as risk factors in Eldoret, Kenya  <i>Genomics</i> J Snell (Malawi)   Subtyping Sub-Saharan oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma by comprehensive molecular analysis UNC / Malawi group C Mathew (UK)   Genetic / Genomic research in Africa K Van Loon (USA)   OSCC studies in Tanzania: The Dar Genomic study
Conference 2	<b>ETHICS IN GLOBAL ONCOLOGY PRACTICE AND RESEARCH</b> <i>Facilitators: C'S Olopade (USA), D Shamley (South Africa)</i>	<b>Programme</b> D Shamley (South Africa)   Ethical principles underpinning regulatory requirements for clinical trials: Special emphasis on Oncology research studies. B DeBoer (USA)   Clinical ethics in global oncology practice and research? C'S Olopade (USA)   Ethics of bio banking in the era of genomics research: What every oncologist must know T Ogundiran (Nigeria)   Conflicts of interest in oncology practice and research Panel discussion
Conference 3	<b>GIT: PANCREAS AND STOMACH</b> <i>Facilitators: OI Alatise (Nigeria), PT Kingham (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> OI Alatise (Nigeria)   Gastric cancer in Africa: Management, outcome and challenges P Ruff (South Africa)   Molecular genetics of gastrointestinal malignancies V Kayanba (Zambia)   Early detection of gastric cancer in Africa PT Kingham (USA)   Pancreas surgery and palliation D Reidy (USA)   Up to date medical and radiation therapies for gastric and pancreas cancer E Suttone (USA)   Endoscopic ultrasound versus CT for gastric and pancreatic cancer staging and evaluating treatment response
Conference 4	<b>TRAINING IN ONCOLOGY</b> <i>Facilitators: F Chite-Asirwa (Kenya), N Hammad (Canada), A Oluwatosin (Nigeria), T Rebbeck (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> S Berry (Canada)   Best practices in implementing and evaluating oncology Training Programs (topic tbc) A Oluwatosin (Nigeria)   Oncology nursing education in Africa F Chite Asirwa (Kenya)   Establishing high-level oncology training In Africa: The Moi University experience O Nnodu (Nigeria)   AORTIC role in oncology curriculum development: Challenges and innovative solutions N Hammad (Canada)   Professional development in oncology practise

<b>Conference 5</b>	<b>BREAST CANCER</b> <i>Facilitators: O Ginsburg (USA), O Olopade (USA), S Rayne (South Africa)</i>	<b>Programme</b> A Adeniji-Sofulwe (Nigeria)   Harnessing technology to leapfrog in breast cancer diagnosis and management P Ndom (Cameroon)   Advanced breast cancer: Optimal use of chemotherapy and hormonal therapy to improve outcomes S Rayne (South Africa)   Advanced breast cancer, local and metastatic: Surgical decision-making S Grover (Botswana)   Advanced breast cancer, local and metastatic: Access to essential radiation
<b>12:30 - 13:30   LUNCH AND EXHIBITION</b>		
<b>13:30 - 14:30   POST LUNCH WORKSHOP HOUR</b>		
<b>Ad hoc meeting 1</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session K): SITE SPECIFIC CANCERS AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: SM Gueye (Senegal), J Nsonde Malanda (Republic of Congo)</i>	<b>Programme</b> E Shino (Namibia)   Psycho-oncology in Africa: Where are we? M Mwachiro (Kenya)   High urinary polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon concentrations in Bomet County, Kenya, a region with a high incidence of oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma F Odedina (USA)   The Nigeria Global Prostate Cancer Familial Project: A Prostate Cancer Transatlantic Consortium (CaPTC) Program R Oodit(South Africa)   Enhancing recovery after elective colorectal surgery L Snyman(South Africa)   Sentinel lymph node detection in a South African cervical cancer population
<b>Ad hoc meeting 2</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session L): GENETICS/EPIGENETICS AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: O Ogunbiyi (Nigeria)</i>	<b>Programme</b> T Bauknecht (Germany)   Search for partnership projects in biobanking and gynaecologic oncology between NOGGO/PARSGO (Germany) and AORTIC (Africa) trialist groups R Chambuso(South Africa)   HIV/HPV co-infection and specific *DRB1,*DQB1 human leukocyte antigen class II alleles influence cervical carcinoma development V Hayes (Australia)   Redefining the mutational landscape of aggressive prostate cancer in men of African ancestry L Mbau (Kenya)   Awareness is not enough: Exploring actual barriers to cervical and breast cancer screening in an urban slum in Kenya MI Mustapha (Nigeria)   Financial burden of cancer on patients treated at a tertiary health facility in South West Nigeria
<b>Conference 3</b>	<b>TBA</b> <i>Facilitators:</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>(to follow)</i>
<b>Conference 4</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session M): BASIC SCIENCES AND CHEMOTHERAPY ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: F Miguel (Angola), S Mohammed (Sudan)</i>	<b>Programme</b> A Deroubaix(South Africa)   Study of the precursors of HBEAG of subgenotype A1 hepatitis B virus and their implication in hepatocellular carcinoma C Penny(South Africa)   Inhibition of the SHH pathway in colorectal cancer stem cells A Anyanful(Ghana)   A novel mathematical model for individualizing chemotherapy for breast cancer M Joffe (South Africa)   Neoadjuvant chemotherapy in HIV positive and HIV negative patients treated for non-metastatic breast cancer in Johannesburg, South Africa B Kaimila (Malawi)   Salvage chemotherapy for adults with relapsed or refractory lymphoma in Malawi

<b>Conference 5</b>	<b>ORAL ABSTRACTS (Session N): NATIONAL CANCER CONTROL PLANS AND OTHER ABSTRACTS</b> <i>Facilitators: J-M Dangou (Congo), P Ndom (Cameroon)</i>	<b>Programme</b> L Chuang (USA)   Cervical cancer treatment capacity in Africa: A survey of the African Organization for Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) membership A Dvaladze(USA)   Phased implementation of resource stratified guidelines for breast cancer management S Subramanian (Switzerland)   Cost and affordability of breast and cervical cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment in Kenya: Patient payments in the private and public sectors F Uwinkindi (Rwanda)   Scaling up of cervical cancer screening at primary health care level in Rwanda FS Thiam (USA)   Expanding the services of the Baltimore City Cancer Programme (BCCP) to African immigrant women in Baltimore City
<b>14:30 - 14:40   TRANSFER TIME</b>		
<b>14:40 - 16:00   CONCURRENT</b>		
<b>Conference 1</b>	<b>CANCER EPIDEMIOLOGY</b> <i>Facilitators: V McCormack (France), I dos Santos Silva (UK)</i>	<b>Programme</b> I Mutyaba (Uganda)   Challenges for identifying and classifying cancer cases for epidemiologic studies S Kirimunda (Uganda)   Identification of appropriate controls for studies in Africa I dos Santos Silva (UK)   Utilizing new technologies for collecting epidemiologic data M Mwachiro (Kenya)   Methods for assuring collection of high-quality biologic samples
<b>Conference 2</b>	<b>TBA</b> <i>Facilitators:</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>(to follow)</i>
<b>Conference 3</b>	<b>PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY</b> <i>Facilitators: P Bey (France), DC Stefan (South Africa)</i>	<b>Programme</b> P Bey (France)   The French-African Paediatric Oncology Group (GFAOP) 2025 project for sub-Saharan francophone countries F Rubagumya (Tanzania)   Role of childhood cancer organizations in cancer control and advocacy S Gupta (Canada)   Lancet Oncology Commission, its implications for pediatric cancer advocacy and health policy in Africa
<b>Conference 4</b>	<b>ADAPT, ENGINEER, APPLY - TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH ON AFFORDABLE TECHNOLOGY IN GLOBAL ONCOLOGY</b> <i>Facilitators: J Welch (USA)</i>	<b>Programme</b> <i>Supported by NCI</i> J Welch (USA)   Supporting affordable cancer technology development to transform the detection, diagnosis, and treatment of cancers in sub-Saharan Africa L Denny (RSA)   Improving specificity of HPV screen-and-treat in South Africa C Castro (USA)   Validating a smartphone attachment for molecular cancer diagnostics in Botswana D Erickson (USA)   Developing KS-Detect, a diagnostic platform for early stage diagnosis of Kaposi's sarcoma in Uganda and Kenya

<b>Conference 5</b>	<b>PALOP</b> <i>Facilitators: L Lara Santos (Portugal), F Miguel (Angola), J Viola (Brasil)</i>	<b>Programme</b> C Lorenzoni (Mozambique)   Oncology in Mozambique J Humberto (Brasil)   School of oncology: Build proficient multidisciplinary teams J Come (Mozambique)   Oesophageal cancer in Mozambique: What we already know? P Salamanza (Angola)   Target therapy in Angola: Colorectal and head and neck cancers an example G Carvalho (Portugal)   Biomarkers in low income countries: A useful and easy-to-apply solution H Borges Spencer (Cape Verde)   Challenges in addressing cancer in Cape Verde MA Muangala (Angola) and A Vaz da Conceição (Angola)   Nuclear medicine in prostate cancer staging L Lara Santos (Portugal)   Take home message
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**16:00 - 17:00 | CLOSING CEREMONY**

<b>Conference 1</b>	<b>Programme</b> <i>(to follow)</i>
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**17:30 - 18:30 | AORTIC COUNCIL MEETING**