

MOVING TOWARDS SELF-RELIANCE TO ACHIEVE UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE AND HEALTH SECURITY IN AFRICA

DETAILED PROGRAMME

PRE-CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 21 October		
Time	Session	Location
09:00 – 17:00	ICGEB Technology Transfer Training (Young Scientists) – Day 1	Umbongontwini Bioprocessing Platform

Wednesday, 22 October		
Time	Session	Location
08:00 – 12:00	National Institute of Public Health Directors Meeting	Durban ICC
09:00 – 17:00	ICGEB Technology Transfer Training (Young Scientists) – Day 2	Umbongontwini Bioprocessing Platform
13:00 – 15:00	Global Leaders Network (Ministers' Luncheon)	Hilton Hotel

MAIN CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 22 October	
Session	Speakers
Registration (Wednesday–Friday)	
Opening Ceremony 16:00–18:00 Location: DEC Hall 2 West	Master of Ceremonies: Ms. Tsepiso Makwetla • Mr. Cllr Cyril Xaba, Mayor, City of eThekweni • Dr. Thembisile Xulu, Chief Executive Officer, National AIDS Council; Chairperson, Global Fund Country Coordinating Mechanism, South Africa • Ms. Bience Gawanas, Vice Chair of the Board, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria • Prof. Mohamed Yakub Janabi, African Regional Director, World Health Organization (WHO) • Dr. Sania Nishtar, Chief Executive Officer, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance • Dr. Maha Barakat, Assistant Minister for Health and Life Sciences, UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs • Hon. Dr Elijah Muchima, Minister of Health, Zambia • Dr. Nhlanhla Msomi, President, AfricaBio • H.E. Dr. Jean Kaseya, Director-General, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention • H.E. Amb. Amma Twum-Amoah, Commissioner for Health, Humanitarian Affairs and Social Development, African Union • Dr. Joe Phaahla, Deputy Minister of Health, Republic of South Africa

Thursday, 23 October			
Time	Session		Speakers
07:00 – 08:30	Side events		
09:00 – 10:30	Plenary Session 1: Africa's Health Sovereignty – Building a Thriving Ecosystem for Local Manufacturing through Demand, Innovation, Regulation, and Investment Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderators • Dr. Nhlanhla Msomi, President, AfricaBio • Prof. Ampofo Williams, Executive Director, African Vaccine Manufacturing Initiative (AVMI)		
	Keynote 1: Political Leadership and Strategic Commitment to Advancing Innovation Ecosystems and Enhancing Domestic Manufacturing Capacities in Health		• Prof. Blade Nzimande, Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Republic of South Africa
	Keynote 2: Access and Equity: Ensuring Africa's Local Manufacturing Benefits Every Community		• Ms. Etleva (Eva) Kadilli, Regional Director for Eastern and Southern Africa, UNICEF
	Keynote 3: A Self-Reliant African R&D Ecosystem That Supports Africa's Health Priorities		• Prof. Serge Blaise EMALEU M.D., Global Health Subject Matter Expert; Emergency Preparedness, Readiness and Response (EPRR); Epidemiology & Diseases Surveillance (EDS); The

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		Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) Headquarters.
	Panel Discussions	
	Leveraging Pooled Procurement to Overcome Access Barriers, Stimulate Demand, and Incentivise Local Production	Dr. Hisham Stait, Chairman, the Unified Procurement Authority (UPA)
	Regulatory Harmonisation in Africa – Progress to Date, Key Achievements, and Leveraging Existing Frameworks to Empower African Manufacturers	Ms. Chimwemwe Chamdimba, African Medicines Regulation Harmonisation Programme Head, African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)
	WHO Prequalification – Exploring Its Role in Supporting and Addressing Regulatory Requirements That May Present Unintended Obstacles to Local Production; How Can Regulatory Systems Be Optimised to Accelerate Local Production	Dr. Rogerio Paulo Pinto De Sá Gaspar, Director, Department of Regulation and Prequalification, World Health Organization (WHO)
	The Role of the Private Sector in Building Sustainable Manufacturing Ecosystems – What Support Mechanisms Are Needed to Unlock Their Full Potential Across the Continent	Mr. Emmanuel Mujuru, Chairperson, Federation of African Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Associations (FAPMA)
	Closing	H.E. Amb. Amma Twum-Amoah, Commissioner for Health, Humanitarian Affairs and Social Development, African Union
10:30 – 10:50	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Scientific and Abstract-Driven Sessions	
	Track 1: Evaluating Quality and Efficacy of Locally-Sourced and Manufactured Medicines in Africa	
	Location: Main Plenary Hall	

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Moderators Mr. Kevin Irandagiye, Partnerships for African Vaccine Manufacturing (PAVM) Communications Lead, Africa CDC		
Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)		1. <i>Dr. Ogochukwu Onwujekwe, University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital: An Assessment of the Quality of Selected Antihypertensive Drugs in Southeast Nigeria: September, 2024.</i> 2. <i>Mr. Souleyman Hassan, University of N'Djamena: Antiplasmodial Potential and in Silico Pharmacokinetic Properties of Polyphenols and Terpenoids Isolated from the Stem Bark of Mitragyna Inermis (Willd) O. Kuntze (Rubiaceae)</i> 3. <i>Dr. Paul Mbarga, University of Yaoundé I: Bioactive Compounds from Macranga Hurifolio with Potent Activity Against Staphylococcus Aureus</i> 4. <i>Dr. Nuhu Tukur, SAMRC Centre for TB Research, BMRI, Stellenbosch University: Investigating the Anti-Mycobacterial Efficacy and Mechanistic Insights of Cyclomarin-A Derived BacPROTACs</i> 5. <i>Mr. Michael Mugo, Kenya Medical Research Institute: Pharmaceutical</i>

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			Assessment of Disintegrant Properties of Starch Extracted from Industrial Waste Cassava 6. Dr. Hannes Malan, Managing Director, Chemical Process Technologies (CPT) (suggested by BIO) 7. Dr. Stavros Nicolaou, Group Senior Executive, Strategic Trade, Aspen Pharma Group (suggested by BIO)
	Audience Q&A (20 mins)		All speakers
	Track 2: Community-Led and Data-Driven Approaches to Sustainable Health Financing and System Strengthening Location: HALL 3A Moderators: • Dr. Blessed Okole, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister, Government of Cameroon • Dr. Moeketsi Modisenyane, Director, Global Health, National Department of Health		
	Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)		1. <i>Mr. Arnold Taremwa, Ministry of Health Uganda: Addressing Funding Gaps for Key Populations in Uganda's HIV Response, 2022: Toward Sustainable and Equitable Solutions</i> 2. <i>Mr. Eric Angula, Causal Foundry: Building Data-Driven Health Financing in Rwanda: AI-Ready Infrastructure for Capitation Reform</i>

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			3. <i>Ms. Judith Okeke-Effiong, Africa Resource Center for Excellence in Supply Chain Management: Building Sustainable Health Supply Chains Amid Donor Transition: Lessons from Nigeria's SSTS Project</i> 4. <i>Mr. Reiche Diauvani Massengo Nsongla, Africa CDC Center of Primary Health Care: Financing and Sustainability of Community Health in Africa</i> 5. <i>Ms. Khadija Jamaloodien, Ministry of Health, South Africa (suggested by BIO)</i>
	Audience Q&A (20 mins)		All speakers
	Track 3: Retention, Inclusion, and Equity in Primary Health Care Delivery Location: DEC Hall 2 East Moderators • Dr. Amit N. Thakker, Executive Chairman, Africa Health Business		
	Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)		1. <i>Mr. Patrick Ssesaazi, Infectious Diseases Institute: Strengthening Retention in HIV Care: Lessons from Island Communities in Kalangala, Uganda</i>

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			2. <i>Mr. Sizwe Mthabela, National Department of Health - Operation Phuthuma: Sustaining Retention of Patients on Antiretroviral Therapy through Daily Adoption of the Operation Phuthuma Nerve Centre Approach as the Problem-solving Methodology at Pinetown Clinic, October 2024</i> 3. <i>Ms. Etuhole lipumbu, University of Namibia: Understanding Social Network Structures Among Drug-resistant TB Patients: In-depth Mixed Method Data from Namibia</i> 4. <i>Dr. Ikekhwa Albert Ikhile, University of South Africa: Advancing Equitable Health Access for Sexual and Gender Minorities in Southern Africa through Primary Health Care: Evidence from a Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis</i> 5. <i>Dr. Elzette Rousseau, Behavioural and Implementation Scientist, Desmond Tutu Health Foundation</i> 6. <i>Ms. Nikola Brink, Chief Executive Officer, Self-care Association of South Africa – Leverage on self-care interventions to address primary health</i>
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	Audience Q&A (20 mins)		All speakers
	Track 4: Digital Innovations for Clinical Decision Support, Supply Chain Management, and Health Communication Location: DEC Hall 2 West Moderators 1. Dr. Symerre Grey-Johnson, Director Human Capital & Institutional Development, AUDA-NEPAD 2. Dr. Keith Shongwe, Executive Chairman, Health Cover Pty Ltd 3. Ms. Jessica Mayenda, Senior Manager, VillageReach		
	Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)		1. <i>Dr. Minyahil Tadesse Boltana, Armauer Hansen Research Institute, Ministry of Health, Ethiopia: Artificial Intelligence-powered Electrocardiography Analysis for Point-of-care Clinical Decision Support: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis</i> 2. <i>Mr. Victor Femi-Lawal, OLGNova: Assessing the Impact of SMS-based Interventions on Contraceptive Uptake and Family Planning Utilisation in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis</i> 3. <i>Dr. Sammy Masibo, Strathmore University Business School: Pharmaceutical Care Standards in Kenyan Online Pharmacies: An</i>

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			Analysis of Mystery Shopper Survey Data 4. <i>Mr. Rowartz Kevin Ogola, Population Services Kenya (PS Kenya): A Digital Leap for Health in Busia County, Kenya: Strengthening Malaria Commodity Security and Coverage for Community Case Management and Pregnancy through Electronic Community Health Information Systems (e-CHIS)</i> 5. <i>Dr. Iyinoluwa Animasaun, HelpMum Africa: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Fine-tuned and Base Language Models in Maternal Health and Vaccination Guidance in Nigeria, 2025</i>
	Audience Q&A (30 mins)		All speakers
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch (Online Poster Hall & Exhibition Viewing)		
14:00 – 15:30	Special Sessions Session 1 (Track 1): Momentum to Manufacturing— Accelerating Health Sovereignty in Africa Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderators Panel 1: Prof. Olive Shisana, President, Evidence Based Solutions & CPHIA 2025 SPC co-chair		

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	Panel 2: Dr. Jean Marie Okwo-Bele, Former Director, Immunisation and Vaccines Department, World Health Organization (WHO)		
	Setting the Scene From Aspiration to Action – Localising Africa's Health Product Manufacturing		Dr. Abebe Genetu Bayih, Coordinator, Local Manufacturing, Africa CDC
	Panel 1: Africa's Health Manufacturing Agenda – Key Milestones and Barriers for Sustainable Growth		- Ms. Etleva (Eva) Kadilli, Regional Director for Eastern and Southern Africa, UNICEF - H.E Dr. Elijah J. Muchima, Minister of Health, Zambia - Prof. Mohamed Yakub Janabi, African Regional Director, World Health Organization (WHO)
	Panel 2: From pledges to production: Aligning Financing, Procurement, and Demand to Drive Scalable and Sustainable Local Manufacturing of Health Products in Africa		- Dr. Babatunde Omilola, Manager for Public Health, Nutrition and Social Protection, African Development Bank - Ms. Farrah Losper, Chairperson of the Board, African Vaccine Manufacturing Initiative (AVMI) - Dr. Skhumbuzo Ngozwana, CEO, Kiara Health, Board Member of FAPMA

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	Wrap-Up: From Dialogue to Action — Director-General's Closing Reflections A wrap-up connecting the insights from both panels to actionable steps, emphasising Africa CDC's role in the journey ahead		H.E Dr. Jean Kaseya, Director-General, Africa CDC
	Session 2 (Track 2 & 6): Beyond Aid — Leveraging Ecosystem Enablers to Achieve Sustainable and Domestically Financed Health Systems in Africa Location: HALL 3A Moderators - Dr. Lucy Surhyel Newman, Chief Executive Officer, African Private Sector Summit - Dr. Richard Chivaka, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Spark Health Africa		
	Panel 1: A Top-Down Paradigm Shift for Sustainable Health Financing — Reimagining Africa's Health Financing Through a Paradigm Shift Led From the Top to Unlock Resilience and Self-Reliance		- Prof. Anil Chuturgoon, Dean of Research, University of KwaZulu-Natal - Ms. Bience Gawanas, Vice Chair of the Board, The Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria - Mr. Ikechukwu Anoke, Chief Executive Officer, Zuri Health - Dr. Nkem Okeke, Founder/CEO, Medicalincs BIND Associates - Ms. Anne Githuku-Shongwe, Director, Regional Support Team for Eastern and Southern Africa, UNAIDS

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	Panel 2: A Bottom-Up Paradigm Shift for Sustainable Health Financing — Placing People at the Heart of Health Financing, Where Local Voices and Innovations Meet National Priorities for Inclusive, Resilient Systems		• Ms. Anna Diom, Founder, AfroMaternity • Dr. Nyasha Masuka, Senior Program Manager, Health Systems Strengthening, Clinton Health Access Initiative • Ms. Panayota Bird, Health Investment Director, Medaccess • Dr. Paul Ngwakum, Regional Health Advisor, UNICEF ESARO
	Session 3 (Track 8) Crisis-Proof Leadership — Building Rapid Response and One Health for Stronger Communities for Africa's Health Security Location: DEC Hall 2 East Moderators • Dr. Peter Elyanu, Director, Global Health Security, Baylor College of Medicine Children's Foundation Uganda		
	Keynote Speech The Role of Global and Regional Collaborations/Partnerships in Strengthening Health Security		Dr. Ntuli Angyelile Kapologwe, Director General, East Central and Southern Africa Health Commission
	Panel 1 (Track 8) Speaker focus 1. Political commitment 2. Performance Improvement in Outbreak Management using Timeliness Metrics 3. Research during outbreaks		Panelists • Prof. Placide Mbala Kingebeni, Director, Clinical Research Center of the National Institute of Biomedical Research & CPHIA 2025 SPC co-chair • Dr. Kokou Nouwame Alinon, Regional Director, Western Africa, Africa CDC Regional Coordinating Centre (RCC)

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	4. Protecting vulnerable populations during public health emergencies		• Prof. Bruce Kirenga, Chief Research Scientist and Founding Director, Makerere University Lung Institute • Dr. Paul Msanzya Zulu, Director, Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Zambia National Public Health Institute (ZNPHI)
	Session 4 (Track 5): Research and Case Studies on One Health and Climate Change (Zoonoses; Emerging/Re-emerging Infectious Diseases; Analyses of Climate Impacts on Health)		
	Location: DEC Hall 2 West		
	Moderators • Prof. Rashid Ansumana, Dean of the School of Community Health Sciences, Njala University • Ms. Doris Wangari, Senior Programme Officer, Science for Africa Foundation		
	Panel Discussions		
	Vector control in a changing landscape		• Dr. Jessy Marlene Goupeyou Youmsi, Medical Entomologist
	Operationalising One Health at the Community Level: Integrating Animal, Human, and Environmental Health for Resilient African Communities		• Prof. Robyn Alders, Honorary Professor, Development Policy Centre, Australian National University
	Advancing Public Health and Ecosystem Resilience – Implementing the One Health Approach in Africa		• Dr. Phiyani Lebea, Chief Scientific Officer, TokaBio (suggested by BIO)

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	Analyses of the Impacts of Climate Change on Health and Food Security		Dr. Charles Akataobi Michael, Senior Technical Officer, Africa CDC
	Leveraging Digitalisation to Enhance One Health and Address Climate Change Challenges		- Dr. Miriam Linder, Veterinarian, State Office for Consumer Protection Saxony-Anhalt, Germany (suggested by BIO) - Prof. Simeon Cadmus, Professor of Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine, University of Ibadan
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break		
16:00 – 17:30	Scientific and Abstract-Driven Sessions		
	Track 5: Climate Change, Antimicrobial Resistance, and One Health Responses to Emerging Health Threats Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderators - Prof. Rashid Ansumana, Dean, School of Community Health Sciences, Njala University - Dr. Charles Michael Akataobi, Senior Technical Officer, Africa CDC		
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)		<i>Ms. Esther Udoayang, University of Calabar:</i> Antimicrobial Resistance of Escherichia coli in Humans and Poultry within the Food Chain in Cross River State, Nigeria: A One Health Perspective <i>Mr. Getahun Fetensa:</i> Knowledge and Beliefs of Health Care Professionals Towards Antimicrobial Resistance in

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			Ethiopia: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis 3. <i>Mr. Nigatu Admasu Desta, West Omo Zone Health Department, Ethiopia: Multisectoral One Health Response to the Anthrax Outbreak in Pastoralist Communities, Southwest Ethiopia, 2025</i> 4. <i>Mr. Ismaël Mitima Grima, Université Officielle de Bukavu: The Role of Climatic Changes in the Emergence and Re-emergence of Infectious Diseases: Bibliometric Analysis and Literature-supported Studies on Zoonoses</i> 5. <i>Dr. Siri Baperman Abdel Aziz, Ministry of Health, Burkina Faso: Climate Variability and Cardiovascular Health in Burkina Faso (2012-2022): Association Between Temperature and Hospitalisations</i> 6. Ambassador George Nkosinati Twala, Author and Advocate for Regional Integration and Sustainable Development: (BIO) 7. Dr. Ramokone Maphoto, Senior Pathologist
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			8. Dr. George Mukhari Academic Business Unit and Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University: (BIO)
	Audience Q&A (40 minutes)		All speakers
	Track 6: Delivery of Care for Women: Cervical Cancer, HIV Prevention, and Sexual and Reproductive Health Location: HALL 3A Moderators - Mr. Clever Kevin Kanyanta, President, Zambian Family Organisation (ZFO) - Dr. Eka Williams, Board Member, Made Culture		
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)		<i>Dr. Olufunmike Oyekunle, College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin:</i> Empowering Young Women as Cervical Cancer Prevention Advocates: Knowledge, Practices and Innovation Potential Among Nigerian Undergraduate Students, 2024 <i>Ms. Esther Ruiter, Africa Health Business:</i> Prevention, Screening and Treatment of Cervical Cancer in Sub-Saharan Africa – Case Samples from: Ghana, Kenya And South Africa 2024 <i>Mrs. Theodora Peterkin, National Open University of Nigeria:</i> Proportion and

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			Predictors of Health Facility Delivery Among Women: Insights into Place of Childbirth
	Audience Q&A (40 mins)		All speakers
	Track 7: Community-Based Investigations, Surveillance Innovations, and Local Solutions for Disease Response Location: DEC Hall 2 East Moderators Dr. Benda Katera, Country Director, Clinton Health Access Initiative, Inc		
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)		1. <i>Mr. Benaiah Silishebo Simatele, Zambia National Public Health Institute: A Community-based Investigation of Cholera in Nakonde, Zambia: Behavioral and Environmental Risk Factors from the December 2024 Outbreak</i> 2. <i>Mr. Philippe Ndzomo, Centre Pasteur du Cameroun: Developing a Multilocus Sequence Typing Scheme for Haemophilus ducreyi: Advancing Surveillance and Response to Cutaneous Ulcers in Cameroon</i> 3. <i>Dr. Benjamin H. Awouoyiegnigni Megna, Ministry of Public Health, Cameroon: Low Adherence to PMTCT</i>

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			is Mainly Due to Ecologic Factors Related to HIV Positive Mothers: A Cross-sectional Study in the North Region, Cameroon, 2024 4. <i>Dr. Vincent Ntui-Njock, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine:</i> Malaria Transmission and Molecular Surveillance of Plasmodium falciparum Chloroquine (Pfcr), Sulfadoxine- Pyrimethmine (Pfdhfr and Pfdhps) and Artemether-Lumefantrine (Pfmdr1 and Pfk13) Across Geo-ecological Zones in Cameroon 5. Mr. Vasudevan Muralidaran, Technical Leader – Fluid Handling Solutions, IMEA, Avantor Biosciences: Speed, Safety and Sustainability. The Triple Promise of single-use technology (BIO)
	Audience Q&A (40 mins)		All speakers
	Track 8: Genomic Surveillance, Regulatory Systems, and Laboratory Quality for Pandemic Preparedness Location: DEC Hall 2 West Moderators • Dr. Landry Tsague, Director, Centre for Primary Health Care (PHC), Africa CDC		

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• Dr. Anban Pillay, Deputy Director General, Department of Health, South Africa		
Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)		1. <i>Ms. Winfred Nakaweesi, Uganda National Institute of Public Health: Building Resilient Public Health Emergency Systems in Africa: Lessons from Zambia's Integrated Model for Preparedness, Surveillance and Response, August 2025</i> 2. <i>Mr. Aboubakr Khazaz, Institut Pasteur du Maroc: Emergence of High-risk Carbapenem-resistant Clones of Klebsiella pneumoniae and Escherichia coli in Moroccan Community Settings: A Call for Strengthened Genomic Surveillance in Africa</i> 3. <i>Dr. Stephen Longa Chanda, Zambia National Public Health Institute: Predictors of Cholera Community Deaths in Zambia: A Case-control Study of the 2023-2024 Cholera Outbreak</i> 4. <i>Mrs. Ajani Love, Federal Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Nigeria: Quality Management System Implementation in Nigerian Laboratories: Baseline Assessment</i>

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			and Lessons from a National Intervention, March 2025 5. <i>Ms. Damaris Kyalo, Cosmos Limited:</i> Strengthening Pandemic Resilience in Africa through Regulatory Affairs, Partnerships, and Medicine Quality Assurance 6. <i>Prof. Mosa Moshabela,</i> Vice-Chancellor, University of Cape Town: R&D to enable Africa's preparedness for the next pandemic (BIO)
	Audience Q&A (30 mins)		All speakers
18:00 – 19:30	Mayoral Dinner		

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Time	Session	Speakers
07:00 – 08:30	Side events	
09:00 – 10:30	Plenary Session 2: Financing the Future: Building Resilient and Predictable Health Systems Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderator: Dr. Sam Ndogo, Research Professor at the University of Pretoria and co-founder of the Africa Private Sector Summit	

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	Dr. Richard Chivaka, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Spark Health Africa	
	Opening Remarks	H.E Dr. Elijah J. Muchima, Minister of Health, Zambia
	Talk 1: Domestic financing: With declining aid and debt consuming national budgets, what bold choices must Africa make now to mobilise domestic revenues that guarantee universal health coverage, finance our own research, and secure rapid response to health crises?	Prof.Serge Blaise EMALEU M.D., Global Health Subject Matter Expert; Emergency Preparedness, Readiness and Response (EPRR); Epidemiology & Diseases Surveillance (EDS); The Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) Headquarters.
	Talk 2: Innovative Financing & Blended Financing: If Africa could reinvent health financing from scratch without the crutch of aid, what bold and innovative mechanisms could unlock billions of dollars and redefine how we pay for health on our own terms?	Dr. Ifedayo Adetifa, Chief Transformation Officer/Chief Executive Officer, FIND Diagnostics
	Talk 3: Allocation and implementation efficiencies: With every dollar stretched thinner than ever, how do we transform governance and accountability so that scarce resources are not just spent, but spent wisely, equitably, and with maximum impact for those who need them most?	Mr. Admassu Tadesse Group President and Managing Director of the Trade and Development Bank (TDB)
	Talk 4: Climate change and One Health: The interconnectedness of climate change, biodiversity loss, antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and health outcomes in Africa and future action	Dr. Folorunso Oludayo Fasina, Team Leader, South Sudan, The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
10:30 – 10:50	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Scientific and Abstract-Driven Sessions	
	Track 5: Digital and One Health Innovations for Climate-Resilient Health Systems	

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	Location: Main Plenary Hall	
	Moderators: • Prof. Rashid Ansumana, Dean, School of Community Health Sciences, Njala University • Dr. Linda Endale Esono, Director of Disease, Epidemic and Pandemic Control, Ministry of Public Health, Cameroon	
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Mr. Justin Nwofe, APIN Public Health Initiatives:</i> Dengue is Hyperendemic in Nigeria 2014-2024: Implications for Climate Change, One Health, and Health Security 2. <i>Dr. Mustapha Musa Tukur, KNCV Nigeria:</i> Digital Innovations for Climate-resilient Health Systems: Lessons from Using Mobile Diagnostic Units (Wellness on Keke Units) for Tuberculosis Screening in Nigeria, August 2024 3. <i>Dr. Kossi-Messan Jacques Agboka, West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL):</i> Epidemiological Modeling of Climate-dependent Pathologies in Northern Togo: Case of Foot-and-mouth Disease in the Savannah Reg 4. <i>Mr. Idris Olasubomi Otun, SustDev for Health and Social Change, Nigeria:</i> Strengthening West Africa's Health Security through One Health in the Era of Climate Change 5. <i>Dr. Fabrice Zobel Lekeuemo Cheuyem, The University of Yaoundé I:</i> Healthcare Associated Infection Risk Analysis at the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department of a Referral Hospital in Cameroon, May 2024
	Audience Q&A (40 mins)	All speakers
Track 6: Youth Engagement and Innovation in Addressing SRHR, AMR, and Emerging Health Challenges		

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	Location: HALL 3A	
	Moderators: • Dr. Kechi Achebe, Director, Office of Global Health & HIV (OGHH), Peace Corps • Dr. Harsha Somaroo, Public Health Medicine Specialist, Department of Health South Africa	
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Mr. Hafeez Hamza, Ducit Blue Foundation: Uniting African Youth for One Health Leadership: Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance Across Borders Through Mentorship, Innovation and Capacity Building</i> 2. <i>Mr. Samuel Habtegiorgis, Debre Markos University, Ethiopia: Youth Depression in Ethiopia: A Comprehensive Systematic Review and Meta-analysis</i> 3. <i>Ms. Jacinta K. Omariba, Ministry of Health, Kenya: Adherence and Facilitators of Optimal Antenatal Care Services Uptake Among Adolescent Mothers in Bomachoge Borabu Subcounty, Kisii County</i> 4. <i>Ms. Oluwatosin Arogundade, Direct Consulting and Logistics: Activating Youths Using Human-centred Design to Improve the Uptake of the Human Papillomavirus Vaccine</i> 5. <i>Ms. Diana Imoli, Kenya Medical Research Institute: Highly Drug-Resistant Cholera Outbreak Strain in Kenya</i>
	Audience Q&A (20 mins)	All speakers
Track 7: Genomic, Computational, and Programmatic Insights into Infectious Disease Response Location: HALL 2 C		

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	Moderators • Dr. Robert Ackatia-Armah, Senior Programme Policy Officer, World Food Programme (WFP) • Dr. Mohammed Abdulaziz, Head of Division, Disease Control and Prevention, Africa CDC	
	Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)	1. <i>Dr. Emmanuel Ancel Songo, Ministry of Public Health Cameroon: Strengthening Cholera Control in Cameroon Through the Institutionalization of Community Mechanisms</i> 2. <i>Dr. Samira Gwarzo, Nigerian Defence Academy: Exploring Genetic Markers for Antimalarial Drug Resistance in Sickle Cell Patients in Northwestern Nigeria</i> 3. <i>Mr. Moses Onose Ehijie, Helix Biogen Institute: Identification and Validation of Immunogenic Epitopes for mRNA Vaccine Development Against Babanki Virus Using a Bioinformatics Approach</i> 4. <i>Mr. Bill Ekolama, University of Africa, Toru-Orua: Unlocking the Antiviral Potential of Chalcones: A Computational Approach Against Dengue Virus NS5 Protein</i> 5. <i>Mr. Gutema Bilti Tura, Ethiopian Public Health Institute: Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on HIV, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Programs in Ethiopia</i>
	Audience Q&A (30 mins)	All speakers
	Track 8: Genomic Epidemiology, Outbreak Monitoring, and System Preparedness for Pandemic Threats	
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	• Dr. Abel Ntambue, Researcher, University of Lubumbashi • Dr. Emmanuel Agogo, Director, Pandemic Threats, FIND	
	Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)	1. <i>Dr. Alex Asamoah Ankomah, Impact Global Health: The 100 Days Mission (100DM) Scorecard: Assessing Global Preparedness for Effective Prevention and Rapid Response Against Emerging and Re-emerging Pandemic Threats</i> 2. <i>Dr. Souhir Ayadi, Mateur Hospital: Comparison of Rabies Cases and Outbreaks in Bizerte, Tunisia January–June 2024 vs. 2025</i> 3. <i>Dr. Christian Noël Malaka, Institut Pasteur de Bangui, Central African Republic: Genomic Epidemiology of Clade Ia Monkeypox Viruses Circulating in the Central African Republic in 2022–24: A Retrospective Cross-sectional Study</i> 4. <i>Dr. Noluxabiso Mangwana, National Institute for Communicable Diseases: The Rising Burden and Hotspots of Clostridioides Difficile Infection in South African Public Sector Hospitals, 2018–2024</i>
	Audience Q&A (30 mins)	All speakers
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch (Online Poster Hall & Exhibition Viewing)	
14:00 – 15:30	Scientific and Abstract-Driven Sessions	
	Track 1: Innovations in Diagnostics, Manufacturing, and Financing for African Health Product Sovereignty	
	Location: Main Plenary Hall	
	Moderators:	

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	• Solomzi Makohliso, Deputy Director, EssentialTech, Administration, EPFL (Suggested by BIO) • Ms Shanelle Hall, principal advisor operations, Africa CDC,	
	Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each)	1. <i>Mr. Simon Nyarko, Research and Grant Institute of Ghana: Pharmaceutical Assessment of Disintegrant Properties of Starch Extracted from Industrial Waste Cassava</i> 2. <i>Dr. Thoko Kapalamula, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources: A Multiplex Dipstick LAMP Assay for Rapid Differentiation of Mycobacterium bovis and Mycobacterium tuberculosis: An Affordable One Health Diagnostic Solution for Africa</i> 3. <i>Mr. Emeka Ogudu, Presidential Initiative for Unlocking the Healthcare Value Chain (PVAC): Building Bankable Health Manufacturing Projects through Upfront Financing: The Presidential Initiative for Unlocking the Healthcare Value Chain (PVAC) in Nigeria, 2023 – Present</i> 4. <i>Dr. Maindo Alongo, Gardiens de Vies: MAGICS MAM Study, from the Translational Evaluation of the MAGIA H3S Multiplex Point-of-care Device to a Policy Decision in the Democratic Republic of Congo: A Public-private Partnership Model to Strengthen Diagnostic Sovereignty and Health Security</i> 5. <i>Dr. Hinjal Bhatia, Impact Global Health: Accelerating Mpox Research and Innovation to Deliver Medical Countermeasures for Africa</i> 6. <i>Mr. Esteban Burrone, Head of Policy, Strategy and Market Access, Medicines Patent Pool: How Voluntary Licenses can Enable African Manufacturers (BIO)</i>

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		7. Dr. Rachel Chikwamba, Group Executive for Advanced Chemistry and Life Sciences, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR): Contract Manufacturing to Support the Growing African Manufacturing Sector (BIO) 8. Dr. Thandanani Cwele, Patent Attorney, Spoor & Fisher: Leveraging IP Data to Drive Innovation, Attract Funding, and Forge Collaborations (BIO)
	Audience Q&A (20 mins)	All speakers
	Track 2: Examining Domestic Financing, Integration Models, and Funding Trends for Health System Sustainability Location: HALL 3A Moderators Iain Barton, Founding Principal, Health4Development	
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Mr. Richard Muko Ochanda, AVAC: Guardrails for Integration: KVP Community Leadership in Shaping HIV–PHC Integration Across Nine African Countries</i> 2. <i>Ms. Olamide Akeboi, Corona Management Systems: Health Workers’ Experiences with Multiple Funding Mechanisms: Lessons from Implementing Direct Facility Financing in Basic Health Care Provision Fund-supported Facilities in Kwara and Oyo States, Nigeria</i> 3. <i>Dr. Nateiya M. Yongolo, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine: Healthcare Costs and Health-related Quality of Life Among Patients with Multimorbidity in Malawi and Tanzania (September 2022 to May 2024)</i>

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		4. <i>Dr. Abiodun Egwuenu, Charite Universitatmedizin: K-means Clustering of African Countries' IHR Capacities and Domestic Financing: An Unsupervised Machine Learning Approach</i> 5. <i>Ms. Shivani Shukla, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine: Vertical or Horizontal? Trends in Government and Donor Funding for Community Health Worker (CHW) Programmes in Sub-saharan Africa (SSA)</i> 6. <i>Mr. Ekwugha Uche Onyx, Association for Reproductive and Family Health: Community-Led Demand Creation for TB Screening: Mobilizing Local Leaders to Close the Detection Gap in Hard-to-Reach Communities, FCT Nigeria</i>
	Audience Q&A (40 mins)	All speakers
	Track 3: Geospatial Modelling, Direct Facility Financing, and Workforce Scale-Up for Resilient Primary Health Care Location: HALL 2 C Moderators • Ms. Esther Ruiter, Head of Growth and Strategy, Africa Health Business	
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Dr. Dhruv Darji, University of Oxford: Foetal Growth in Pregnant Women Living with HIV: Longitudinal Analysis of Serial Ultrasound Measurements in South Africa</i> 2. <i>Mr. Olumide S. Ogungbemi, AGAPE Global Health and Education Foundation (AGHE): Geospatial and Predictive Modeling of Health Facility Access Among Internally Displaced Populations in Northeastern Nigeria</i>

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		3. <i>Dr. Peter Binyaruka, Ifakara Health Institute (IHI): The Experience and Effect of Direct Facility Financing Mechanism in Tanzania: A Scoping Review of Evidence</i> 4. <i>Dr. More Mungati, Zimbabwe College of Public Health Physicians: Building a Resilient NCD Workforce: Evidence-informed Scale-up and the Role of Refocused Public Health Training in Zimbabwe</i> 5. <i>Ms. Mulemwa-Sharon Simushi, Copperbelt University: Building a Shock-resistant Shield: Assessing and Enhancing the Resilience of Zambia's Primary Health Care System to Climate-induced Health Threats</i>
	Audience Q&A (40 mins)	All speakers
	Track 4: Machine Learning, Mobile Health, and Digital Tools for Transforming Primary Health Care Location: HALL 2 DE Moderators • Dr. Yap Boum, Deputy Head of the Africa CDC Mpox Response, Africa CDC	
	Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Mr. Destiny Mutah Afu, African Center for Strategic Policy & Integration: Leveraging Digital Innovation and Artificial Intelligence to Transform Primary Health Care in Yaoundé, Cameroon, July 2025</i> 2. <i>Dr. Antidius Paul Rwehumbiza, Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre (KCMC) University: Machine Learning in Predicting Resistance to Third-generation Cephalosporins Among Hospitalized Patients at a Tertiary Facility in the Southern Highlands, Tanzania, 2021-2025</i>

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		3. <i>Mr. Isaiah Edem Essien, African Leadership University:</i> Real-time Epilepsy Monitoring System Leveraging Computer Vision and Internet of Things within a Local Area Network 4. <i>Mr. Angyiba Serge Andigema, Bisons' Scholars:</i> Revitalizing Immunization: A Mobile Health Intervention to Combat MMR Vaccine Hesitancy in the West Region of Cameroon 5. Prof. Sudesh Sivarasu, Director, Biomedical Engineering Research Centre, University of Cape Town (UCT): AI in medical devices and AI as a Medical device (BIO) 6. Dr. Ezra Masenya, Chairperson, Lancet Laboratories: AI and Digital Technologies in Diagnostic (BIO)
	Audience Q&A (20 mins)	All speakers
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:30	Special Sessions: critical matters affecting the health sector Session 5 (Track 3): Primary Care, Primary Power: Financing UHC for Resilience and Equity Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderators: • Dr. Amit Thakker, Executive Chairman, Africa Health Business • Ms. Esther Ruiters, Head of Growth and Strategy, Africa Health Business	
	Panel Discussion	• Prof. Mohamed Yakub Janabi, African Regional Director, World Health Organization (WHO) • Dr. N. Ndlovu, Deputy Director-General: HIV, AIDS, TB and MCWH, National Department of Health, South Africa

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		- Judson Addy, Senior Advisor, Africa Education Trust Fund (AETF) - Dr. Fouzia Shafique – UNICEF Associate Director – PHC/RMNCAH (Backup)
	Session 6 (Track 4) Digital Bridges to Health Equity: Innovation, Inclusion, and Impact Location: HALL 3A Panel 1 Moderators: - Dr. Neeraj Mistry, Chair, Stakeholder Group, European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) - Dr. Mehad Nasreldin, Founder & Chairperson, SMAfrica Panel 2 Moderators: - Prof. Otto Chabikuli, Adjunct Associate Professor, Howard University - Dr. Yap Boum, Deputy Head of the Africa CDC Mpox Response, Africa CDC	
	Panel 1: High-Level Dialogue on Digital Transformation and AI for Primary Health Care Speaker focus: - PHC Digitisation: Evolving a Solutions-based Approach to Critical Challenges facing PHC Systems in Africa Regarding Access, Quality, and Equity. - Digital Solutions for PHC: Leveraging on Digital Transformation and AI to Enhance PHC Delivery for UHC and Health Security	Panel 1 speakers: - Dr. Landry Tsague, Director, PHC, Africa CDC - Mr. Jean Philbert Nsengimana, Chief Digital Advisor, Africa CDC - Dr. Nonhlanhla Fikile Ndlovu, the Deputy Director-General for HIV, AIDS, and STIs at the South African Department of Health - Prof. Albert Mwembo Tambwe-A-Nkoy, Public Health School Director, University of Lubumbashi

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	3. Developing a Roadmap for Leveraging Digital Solutions to Enhance PHC Systems Performance, Considering Legal, Regulatory, and Access Issues	• Dr. Judith Kose Otieno, Regional Program Lead for the Eastern Africa Regional Coordinating center (Eastern Africa RCC), Africa CDC • Ms. Caroline Mbindyo, Chief Executive Officer, Amref Health Innovations, Amref Health Africa • Dr. Marie-Roseline Belizaire, Representative to CAR-Head of Diplomatic Mission, World Health Organization (WHO)
	Session 7 (Track 6): Youth – Shaping Tomorrow’s Healthcare in Africa Location: HALL 2 C Moderator: • Ms. Rutendo Kandawasvika, Senior Technical Officer, Partnership, Africa CDC • Mr. Dumsani Njobo Mamba, Mental Health Technical Officer, Africa CDC	
	Opening Remarks	H.E Dr. Jean Kaseya, Director-General, Africa CDC
	Presentation: Africa CDC’s strategic Youth Engagement	Rebecca Cherop, Board Member, Youth Advisory Team for Health, Africa CDC
	Panel Discussion From Global Vision to Local Voice: Centring Youth in Africa’s Public Health Architecture	• Hon. Ayodele Olawande, Minister of Youth Development, Nigeria • Ms. Bailey Wright-Apuleni, Public Health Program Specialist, Youth Health and Wellbeing, Peace Corps • Dr. Chrys Promesse Kaniki, Senior Technical Officer for Strategic Programmes, Youth Programme Lead, Africa CDC • Ms. Ingrid Koster Simo Kamdem, Youth Expert, Youth for Health and Development of Africa (YOHEDA) • Ms. Lan Huong Le, Component Manager, GIZ

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	Session 8 (Track 7): Africa CDC’s flagship Mental Health Leadership Programme: Mental health systems reforms to achieve UHC and health equity Location: HALL 2 DE Moderators: • Dr. Adelard Kakunze, Non-communicable Diseases & Mental Health Unit Lead, Africa CDC • Mr. Dumsani Njobo Mamba, Mental Health Technical Officer, Africa CDC	
	Presentation: Africa CDC Mental Health Leadership Programme, progress so far	• Dr. Mohammed Abdulaziz, Head of Disease Control and Prevention, Africa CDC
	Panel Discussion Speaker focus: 1. From the UNGA political declaration to actions: what needs to be done? The case for multisectoral engagement, coordination, and action (MECA) 2. Governance and legislation 3. The engagement and role of partnership 4. Strengthening PHC for NCDs, Injury and Mental Health surveillance, workforce and care 5. Lived experience engagement and CSOs networking 6. Integration of MHPSS into EPR and disease response in emergency settings	• Prof. Kaushik Ramaiya, Chair of the Africa CDC Advisory Committee on NCDIMH • Sen. Arch. Dr. Sylvia Kasanga FCIARB, President, The Architects Alliance • Ms. Anne Githuku-Shongwe, Director, Regional Support Team for Eastern and Southern Africa, UNAIDS • Prof. Miranda Wolpert, Director, Mental Health, Wellcome Trust • Dr. Byron Bitanihirwe, Science for Africa Foundation • Mr. Michael Njenga, Regional Mental Health Advisor, Africa, CBM Global • Dr. Naeem Dalal, High-Level Advisor, Non-communicable Diseases, Injuries & Mental Health, Africa CDC
18:00 – 19:30	Side events	

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09:00 – 10:30		Plenary Session 3: Primary Health Care Delivery and Transformation Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderators • Dr Tajudeen Raji, Deputy Director General a.i., Africa CDC • Dr. Brigit Mulwa, Senior Project Associate, Africa Health Business	
		Talk 1 (Track 3): Primary Health Care: Resilient systems, through innovative finances and smarter solutions, including community health actors, offering shared commitment and responsibility, driving Africa's journey to universal health coverage	• Dr. Amit N. Thakker, Executive Chairman, Africa Health Business
		Talk 2 (Track 4): Digitalisation of Health Care in Africa: The role of digital technologies (mobile health applications, telemedicine and literacy and artificial intelligence-powered diagnostic tools etc), in tracking, preventing and managing diseases in Africa.	• Prof. Mohamed Yakub Janabi, African Regional Director, World Health Organization (WHO)
		Talk 3 (Track 6): Challenging the current status of health for mothers, adolescents and children; Primary Health Care revolution in service delivery to achieve universal health coverage and health security.	• Dr. Christine Kaseba, Former First Lady of Zambia
		Talk 4 (Track 4) Combating Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in Africa: Challenges, innovations and strategies for a sustainable solution	• Dr. Mazyanga Lucy Liwewe Mazaba, Regional Director for the Eastern Africa Regional Co-coordinating Centre of the Africa Centres for Disease Control

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10:30 – 10:50		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30		Scientific and Abstract-Driven Sessions Tracks 1 & 2: Medicinal Plants, Health Financing, Role of Mass Media, and System Responses in Strengthening Public Health in Africa Location: Main Plenary Hall Moderators Dr. Mosoka Papa Fallah, Acting Director of the Science and Innovation Directorate, Africa CDC
		Abstract Presentations & Scientific Talks (10 mins each) 1. <i>Dr. William Pote, Great Zimbabwe University:</i> Medicinal Plants Integrated into African Foods: A Systematic Review of Ethnomedicinal Practices, Nutritional Synergies and Public Health Implications 2. <i>Mr. Amine Akouya, Sub-saharan Medicinal Plants</i> and their Medical Use 3. <i>Dr. Martin Atela, IDinsight:</i> From Spending to Outcomes: Linking Financial Data to Health Outcomes in Kenya 4. <i>Ms. Dollycate Wanja Njagi, Amref Health Africa:</i> Leveraging Mass Media Edutainment for Large-scale Prevention of Schistosomiasis (SCH) and Soil-transmitted Helminths (STH) Prevention in Kenya: Outcomes from the 'Sikicho's Long Journey' Campaign 5. <i>Dr. Nicaise Ndembi, International Vaccine Institute (BIO):</i> Supporting Local Manufacturers

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		Audience Q&A (20 mins)	All speakers
		Tracks 3 & 4: Resilience, Closing Workforce Gaps, and Artificial Intelligence in Strengthening Primary Health Care Location: HALL 3A Moderator Prof. Otto Chabikuli, Adjunct Associate Professor, Howard University	
		Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Dr. Theresa Barnes, University of Ghana School of Nursing and Midwifery:</i> Building Resilience in Ghana's Primary Healthcare System: Addressing Managerial and Clinical Challenges through Innovative Adaptation Strategies, 2022 2. <i>Dr. Hannah Kagiri, Ministry of Health, Kenya:</i> Closing the Health Workforce Gap Towards Universal Health Coverage through Insights from the Quality of Care Harmonized Health Facility Assessment 2024, Kenya 3. <i>Mr. Hood Kagoda Serumaga, Uganda Development and Health Associates (UDHA):</i> Bringing Primary Health Care to Safe Spaces: Integrated HIV/TB/Malaria/SRH Delivery for Out of School AGYW Across Nine Ugandan Districts (GC7 2024 EGSS Model Implementation) 4. <i>Dr. John Paul Otuba, Partners In Health:</i> Impact of Artificial Intelligence on TB Notifications in a Remote Facility in Liberia: A Pre-post Outcome

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			Comparison Study 5. <i>Mr. Eyong Peter Ebot, University of Buea: Knowledge and Attitudes towards Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare: A Cross-sectional Study Among Final-year Healthcare Students in Buea, Cameroon, February to April 2025</i> 6. <i>Prof. Ehab Ahmed Kamal, Egyptian Health Council: E-Health Revolution: A Physician's Guide to Overcoming Barriers and Bridging the Healthcare Gap in Egypt</i>
		Audience Q&A (40 mins)	All speakers
		Tracks 5 & 6: Environmental, Social, and Gender Determinants of Health in African Contexts Location: HALL 2 C Moderators • Dr. Doris Wangari, Senior Programme Officer, Science for Africa Foundation • Dr. Eka Williams, Board Member, Made Culture	
		Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Mr. Felix Kangwa, Ministry of Health, Zambia: Mapping Environmental Risk Factors for Schistosomiasis Transmission Among Adolescents Near the Magoye River, Zambia</i> 2. <i>Ms. Rashidah Omotola AbdulQuadri, ATO-ClimatEducate: Plastic Waste Interactions: A Hurtful Relationship for Humans and Animals</i> 3. <i>Dr. Julianah Adebisi, Slum and Rural Health Initiative: Response to Victims of Sexual Violence in Nigeria who Disclosed on Twitter (X): A Thematic</i>

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			Analysis 4. <i>Mr. Ayokunle Kajero, Ondo State Primary Healthcare Development Agency: The Unheard Voices: Menstrual Experiences and Pain Management Strategy Among Hearing Impaired Girls in Ondo State, Nigeria</i> 5. <i>Dr. Fatima Elbasri, Youth Combating NTDs: African Youth Perspectives Toward the Impacts of Neglected Tropical Diseases on Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights: Exploring the Role of Digital Technologies in Addressing These Challenges</i>
		Audience Q&A (40 mins)	All speakers
		Tracks 7 & 8: Integration Strategies and Surveillance Methods for Strengthening Disease Control in Africa Location: HALL 2 DE Moderators - Ms. Emily Atuheire Barigye, Principal Technical Officer, Division of Surveillance and Disease Intelligence, Africa CDC - Dr. Lul Riek, Regional Director, Southern Africa RCC, Africa CDC	
		Abstract Presentations (10 mins each)	1. <i>Dr. Paul Kibati, Amref Health Africa: Integration of Visceral Leishmaniasis in Kenya's Health System: Advancing the Elimination Agenda</i> 2. <i>Mr. Charles Chibuisi Ehiemere, Nasarawa State University: Transforming Disease Responses: Leveraging Malaria Elimination Lessons from Cape</i>

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			Verde and Mauritius To Enhance Public Health Strategies 3. <i>Dr. Michael Tarekegn, Amref Health Africa: Spatial and Demographic Analysis of Life-course Vaccination Coverage in Selected Regions of Ethiopia: Evidence from a Household Head Count</i> 4. <i>Mr. Ikechukwu Nnaji, Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention: Sentinel Surveillance of Acute Rotavirus Gastroenteritis Among Children Under Five Years of Age in Selected Hospitals Across Four Geopolitical Zones of Nigeria, 2021-2023</i> 5. <i>Mr. Collins Cheruiyot, Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI): Culture-independent Nanopore Sequencing as a Polio Endgame Strategy</i>
		Audience Q&A (40 mins)	All speakers
12:30 – 13:30		Lunch (Online Poster Hall & Exhibition Viewing)	
13:30 – 15:30		Closing Ceremony Location: Main Plenary Hall	
		Rapporteur Session by Track	8 Speakers
		Awards Ceremony -Young investigator -Distinguished scientist -Best abstract	
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		Closing comments from Kaseya and premier of the province	
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