

ECSACOP 2026 Revised Final Day Programme

Saturday, 19 September 2026 | Ciêla Resort, Lusaka

The standalone Annual General Meeting will take place in the Main Hall, followed by the protected poster session during the networking tea break. The three parallel scientific tracks will then run from 11:30 to 13:30, including the cardiovascular and metabolic clinical plenary postponed from Friday as Parallel Track C.

Programme at a glance

TIME	SESSION	FORMAT
08:30-10:30	ECSACOP Annual General Meeting	Main Hall · standalone session
10:30-11:30	Moderated poster session and networking tea	Dedicated poster area
11:30-13:30	Parallel scientific Tracks A, B and C	A: Main Hall · B: Side Room · C: Ballroom
13:30-14:30	Lunch	Judging finalisation
14:30-16:00	Governance, equity and accountable adoption	All delegates reconvene
16:00-17:00	Closing session	Awards, synthesis, declaration and closing
18:00 onwards	Cultural gala dinner and entertainment	Social programme

Annual General Meeting

08:30-10:30 | Main Hall | Chair: ECSACOP President

Moderated poster session and networking tea

10:30-11:30 | Dedicated poster area | Moderator: Dr Oscar Mugerwa | Co-moderator: Dr Caroline Laibutch

All delegates reconvene. Presenters should stand by their posters, with judging routes operating simultaneously during the protected session.

Parallel Track A

RESPIRATORY, INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND IMMUNOLOGY | Main Hall | Chair: Dr Lydia Nakiyingi | Co-chair: Dr Joseph Ogavu

TIME	TYPE	PRESENTATION OR ACTIVITY
11:30-11:35	Briefing	Chair's introduction and track framing
11:35-11:50	Invited talk · WHO AFRO	Emerging Infectious Threats: Role of AI in Modelling and Predicting Health Emergencies - WHO AFRO
11:50-12:05	Talk	Emerging Hantavirus Infections: Lessons for Internists in Africa - speaker to be confirmed
12:05-12:15	Oral O06	Diagnostic Accuracy of Urine LAM for TB Diagnosis in HIV-Negative Individuals with Other Causes of Immunosuppression - Dr Moses Banda
12:15-12:25	Oral O07	HIV-Induced Autoimmune Disease: Emerging Clinical and Immunological Perspectives - Prof Ian C. Chikanza
12:25-12:35	Oral O11	Feasibility of a Controlled Human Infection Model with Intradermal BCG Injection in Malawi - Dr Gareth Lipunga
12:35-12:45	Oral O12	Vaccine Prevention of Pneumococcal Carriage Using PnuBioVax and PCV - Anthony Emeritus Chirwa
12:45-12:55	Oral O13	Liver Steatosis and Fibrosis in Adults with HIV Infection in Northwestern Tanzania - Igembe Nkandala
12:55-13:10	Discussion	Moderated discussion
13:10-13:25	Expert synthesis	Implications for clinical practice, surveillance and research
13:25-13:30	Transition	Move to lunch

Parallel Track B

CRITICAL CARE, GI AND RENAL, NEUROLOGY AND WHOLE-PERSON CARE | Side Room | Chair: Dr Njenga | Co-chair: Dr David Muyanja

TIME	TYPE	PRESENTATION OR ACTIVITY
11:30-11:35	Briefing	Chair's introduction and track framing
11:35-11:50	Invited talk · ECSA-HC	Regional Training Programmes: Opportunities and Barriers to Implementation - ECSA Health Community
11:50-12:05	Invited talk · NHRA	Future-Proofing Africa's Health Workforce: Harnessing AI and Digital Innovation for Excellence in Healthcare Education and Training - Prof Sody Munsaka
12:05-12:15	Oral O01	Family Satisfaction with Critical Care Services in a Tertiary Teaching Hospital in Nairobi, Kenya - Dr Ahmed Said Ali
12:15-12:25	Oral O04	Psychological Effects in Gastrointestinal Cancer Patients or Survivors: A Systematic Review - Dr Pharidah Rajan Omar Sundi
12:25-12:35	Oral O14	Diuresis-Induced Bartter-Like Syndrome with Severe Hyponatraemia in a Low-Resource Setting - Dr Sarah Sibande
12:35-12:45	Oral O15	Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of Patients with Oesophageal Cancer at UTH, Lusaka - Dr Ronah Vwapa
12:45-13:00	Discussion	Moderated discussion: translating evidence into multidisciplinary care
13:00-13:25	Expert synthesis	Cross-system clinical reasoning, evidence appraisal and implementation challenges
13:25-13:30	Transition	Move to lunch

Parallel Track C

CARDIOVASCULAR AND METABOLIC DISEASE | Ballroom | Chair: Dr Susan Nakireka | Co-chair: Prof Omondi Oyoo

TIME	TYPE	PRESENTATION OR ACTIVITY
11:30-11:35	Briefing	Chair's introduction and track framing
11:35-11:45	Oral O02	Integrating HIV and Hypertension Care Improves Blood Pressure Control in Uganda - Dr Fred Semitala
11:45-11:55	Oral O10	Decentralizing Cardiovascular Diagnostic Services in Zambia Through Primary Care Training - Dr Anchindika Tabo Mugala
11:55-12:05	Oral O16	Adverse Drug Reactions in Cardiology Practice: A 17-Year Observational Study - Dr Anthony Bamwine
12:05-12:15	Oral O17	Atrial Fibrillation: Trials and Tribulations Through a Lifetime - Dr Martha Sekitto Nakitto
12:15-12:25	Oral O18	Inflammatory-Fibrosis Burden and Early Left Ventricular Remodelling in Adults With and Without HIV - Dr Katongo Hope Mutengo
12:25-12:35	Oral O19	Heart Failure Management and Outcome - Prof Paul George M. D'Arbela
12:35-12:45	Oral O20	Aortic Valve Peak Velocity as a Better Predictor of Left Ventricular Thrombus than Ejection Fraction - Innocent Ndambakwe
12:45-13:05	Discussion	Moderated discussion
13:05-13:25	Expert synthesis	Clinical implications, implementation priorities and key messages
13:25-13:30	Transition	Move to lunch

Lunch

13:30-14:30 | Lunch and judging finalisation

Governance, equity and accountable adoption

14:30-16:00 | Chair: Prof Kenneth Luzinda | Co-chair: Dr Tafadzwa Chipfuva

TIME	TYPE	PRESENTATION OR ACTIVITY
14:30-14:40	Oral O03	Ethical Oversight Capacity in Tanzania: System-Level Challenges and Policy Implications for Health Research Governance - Dr Lazaro Haule
14:40-14:55	Talk	Small Partnerships: Lasting Change for Global Health in a Post-Aid World - Dr Joanna Herman
14:55-15:30	Governance roundtable	AI ethics, law and accountable adoption in African healthcare
15:30-15:45	Implementation synthesis	From Discussion to Action: Delegate Priorities for the Lusaka Declaration
15:45-15:50	Conference output	Confirmation and handover of consolidated recommendations to the Lusaka Declaration drafting group
15:50-16:00	Session close	Chair's synthesis and transition to the closing session

Closing session

16:00-17:00 | Chair: Dr Patrick Lungu

TIME	TYPE	PRESENTATION OR ACTIVITY
16:00-16:15	Awards	Scientific and poster awards
16:15-16:25	Rapporteur's synthesis	Conference synthesis and key recommendations - Conference Rapporteur
16:25-16:40	Declaration	Presentation and adoption of the Lusaka Declaration on Responsible AI and Digital Innovation for Equitable Healthcare in Africa
16:40-16:50	Closing remarks	Conference Chair
16:50-17:00	Vote of thanks	Closing resolutions and sponsor acknowledgements - ECSACOP Vice President

Evening social programme

18:00 onwards | Cultural gala dinner and entertainment