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2nd International Steering Committee Meeting Report



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**2nd ISC Meeting
AGENDA**



**2nd International Steering Committee meeting
17th August 2021 Virtual meeting**

AGENDA

OBJECTIVES:

- I. Briefing on ICASA 2021 progress report
- II. ICASA 2021 Draft Budget & Gaps
- III. Review and validate concurrent sessions (Non-Abstract Driven sessions, Workshops, Special sessions)
- IV. Structure of Community Village
- V. Review and validate the scholarship Criteria.
- VI. Call for partnership.
- VII. Call for Bid for ICASA 2023 (22nd Edition)

Chair & Co-Chair:

1. Prof. John Idoko: President, Society for AIDS in Africa (SAA)/ICASA 2021 President
2. Minister of Health (South Africa)

17 th August 2021		
Time	Activities	Discussion Lead
09:00	Registration of participants	Secretariat
10:00	Opening Session - Welcoming address - Opening remarks - Introduction of participants - Endorsement of the agenda	ICASA 2021 President & Vice President
10:10	Session 1: Update from ICASA Secretariat Progress report to date followed by Q/A	ICASA Director
10:20	Session 2: ICASA 2021 Draft Budget & Gaps Presentation of ICASA 2021 Draft Budget, gaps and validation	ICASA Director
10:30	Session 3: Review & Finalize Concurrent sessions Fixing gaps & validation by programme committees	Committee Working groups



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11:00	Session 4: Presentation by the Leadership Programme on concurrent sessions (Workshops, Non-Abstract Driven Session, Special session)	Leadership Programme Chair
11:10	Session 5: Presentation by the Community Programme on concurrent sessions (Workshops, Non-Abstract Driven Session, Special session)	Community Programme Chair
11:20	Session 6: Presentation by the Scientific Programme on concurrent sessions (Workshops, Non-Abstract Driven Session, Special session)	Scientific Programme Chair
11:30	Session 7: Scholarship Criteria validation Presentation of the scholarship criteria, followed by Q & A	ICASA Director
11:40	Session 8: Call for Partnership Presentation of ICASA marketing & partnership strategy	SAA Secretary General

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11:50	Session 9: Call for Bid ICASA 2023 (22 nd Edition)	ICASA President
12:20	Session 10: Structure of Community Village	ICASA Director
12:30	Wrap up of 2 nd ISC meeting	ICASA President

NB : The Second Steering Committee meeting of ICASA 2021 was very concerned on the structure of the upcoming conference. The committee approved various scenarios of ICASA 2021 structure in line with the host country COVID-19 protocols.



**Validated Plenary
Topics and
Speakers**

Scientific Programme

Session Type: Plenary Session	SPEAKERS
Political leadership and partnerships to promote and accelerate access to innovation prevention & care.	H.E. Marisol Touraine
To build, strengthen and invest in Africa's scientific capacity and manufacturing of vaccines, diagnostics, and therapeutics.	Dr. Malebona Precious Matsoso
Management of COVID 19 in Africa: Impact & Way forward.	Dr. John Nkengasong
HIV, TB & other co-infections: The journey ahead.	H.E. Eric Goosby
HIV Pediatrics: how far did we relieve the burden on children and what is the perspective towards 2030?	Dr. Chewe Luo

Leadership Programme

Session Type: Plenary Session	SPEAKERS
African leadership in ending AIDS in Africa: Abuja Declaration: where are we?	
Sustaining gains during COVID-19.	Dr. Matshidiso Moeti
The new Global strategy to end AIDS by 2030: what do we need to do differently in Africa.	Dr. Shannon Hader
HIV prevention is everyone's Business: The pathway to stemming new infections in Africa.	Dr. Natalia Kanem
Adolescent girls, young women & men: Key to achieving the end of AIDS in Africa in 2030.	Dr. Thato Chidarikire

Community Programme

Session Type: Plenary Session	SPEAKERS
Implementing person centered key population programming at scale.	Mr. Roberto Paulo
Health System Strengthening: The funding Landscape: health financing and Domestic Resource Mobilization.	Madam Solange L. Baptiste
Addressing the needs of People who Use Drugs to achieve epidemic control.	Mr. Richard Nininahazwe
Impact of COVID 19 on HIV Services	Mr. Daouda Diouf
Epidemic Control in Africa: Response from the Diaspora	Miss. Doreen Moraa Moracha



**Proposed ICASA
2021 Non
Abstract Driven
Sessions**

Scientific Programme: Proposed Non- Abstract Driven Sessions

Session Type: Non Abstract Driven Session
1. PrEP in Africa: Success and challenges in Africa.
2. HIV, TB and COVID 19 co-infections
3. Emerging new viral infection and HIV: interactions and treatment.
4. HIV self-testing: lessons learned and perspectives
5. The use TB screening tools in TB case notifications: successes and challenges.

Leadership Programme: Proposed Non- Abstract Driven Sessions

Session Type: Non Abstract Driven Session
1. Leading the fight back for HIV prevention.
2. Countering the Opposition to Comprehensive Sexuality Education: Perspectives from Africa
3. No Prevention, No End. Taking the lead in implementing the 2025 HIV Roadmap
4. Resourcing Equality. Investing in Africa's feminist, young-women, and girl-led networks to FastTrack SDGs 3, 4, and 5.
5. Implementing the New Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026: The importance of a resilient Primary Health Care.
6. The Road to meeting societal enabler targets by 2026: Time to promote rights and end all forms of HIV discrimination.

Community Programme: Validated Non-Abstract Driven Session

Session Type: Non-Abstract Driven Session
1. Drug Policy Reform in Africa: a core component to achieving the SDG targets

With the exception of the Community programme, the Scientific and Leadership programme committees are to validate their propositions by **23rd August 2021**.

1. Leadership programme are to select and validate **5** out of the 6 propositions



**Proposed ICASA
2021 Special
Sessions**

Scientific Programme: Proposed Special Sessions

Session Type: Special Session
1. Rapid Tests/Auto tests: HIV & COVID-19
2. COVID 19 Management: EMRO Region, Egypt, Central Africa
3. COVID 19 Management: South Africa, East Africa, West Africa
4. HIV and COVID 19: Challenges in Africa
5. COVID 19 vaccination in HIV infected patients.
6. Failure of 2 nd line HIV regimens: What should be done?

Leadership Programme: Proposed Special Sessions

Session Type: Special Session
1. Will the global AIDS strategy end inequalities for Key populations?
2. 2021 Political Declaration on AIDS – How to accelerate implementation?
3. Reaffirmation of the ESA Commitment: Accelerating progress towards Agenda 2030.
4. A People’s Vaccine for COVID-19: No ending AIDS without it
5. The Key Role of the Faith Sector Leadership in the HIV response in Africa
6. Domestic Financing: The Critical factor to sustainable financing for the HIV response in Africa.
7. What went wrong: The surge in teenage pregnancies and the implication on ending AIDS in Africa

Community Programme: Validated Special Sessions

Session Type: Special Session
1. HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care among People Who Use Drugs and People in Prison in Africa
2. Conducting 2nd Generation surveillance during a pandemic in Nigeria: lessons learnt.
3. Addressing the needs of People who Use Drugs in achieving an “AIDS free-Africa”
4. Community Intervention on HIV prevention: Experience from the Field

With the exception of the Community programme, the Scientific and Leadership programme committees are to validate their propositions by **23rd August 2021**.

1. Leadership programme are to select and validate **3** out of the 7 propositions
2. Scientific programme is to select and validate 3 out of the 6 propositions.



**Validated ICASA
2021 Workshops**

Scientific Programme: Validated Workshops

Session Type: Workshop	Designated Organization
HIV care and treatment in the era of COVID 19 Pandemic.	UNICEF
HIV and Aging populations	To be determined
STIs and HIV drug resistance.	To be determined

Leadership Programme: Validated Workshops

Session Type: Workshop	Designated Organization
Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV infection: The missing Link to ending new infections in Africa.	WHO

With the exception of the Leadership programme, the Scientific programme committee is to validate their propositions by **23rd August 2021**.

1. Scientific programme is to finalize their workshop propositions.



**Structure of
Community
Village**

The ICASA Director Mr. Luc Armand Bodea stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and limited number of participants at the conference venue, ICASA 2021 community village will be fully virtual. The Call for proposals for Community village activities and Call for Community village Exhibition booths will go out after the 2nd ISC meeting. Booking will be done via the ICASA 2021 Website.

The community village sessions will be organized under zones. The sessions will not be run concurrently at the community village. Also, the schedules for session will be rotational so as to provide balance throughout the duration of the community village at the conference.

See validated Community Village networking zones below:

- **PERSONS LIVING WITH DISABILITY NETWORKING ZONE**
- **WOMEN NETWORKING ZONE**
- **PERSONS LIVING WITH HIV NETWORKING ZONE**
- **YOUTH NETWORKING ZONE**
- **DIASPORA NETWORKING ZONE**
- **KEY POPULATION NETWORKING ZONE**
- **FAITH BASED ORGANIZATION NETWORKING ZONE**
- **FEMALE SEX WORKERS NETWORKING ZONE**



Key Dates

Key Dates	Open	Close
Call for Abstract	1 st March 2021	27 th July 2021
Early Registration	1 st March 2021	17 th May 2021, 24.00 GMT
Regular Registration	18 th May 2021	31 st August 2021, 24.00 GMT
Exhibition Booking	9 th March 2021	31 st August 2021
Satellite Session Booking	1 st March 2021	31 st August 2021
Late Registration	1 st September	31 st October 2021, 24.00 GMT
Scholarship Application	2 nd July 2021	30 th July 2021
Marathon Meeting	1 st September	4 th September 2021
Notice of Acceptance, Abstract	6 th September	12 th September 2021
Announcement of Recipient Scholarship	6 th September	12 th September 2021
ICASA 2021 Online Program	16 th September 2021	
ICASA 2021 Conference Date	6 th December	11 th December 2021



**Link to
Presentations**

Link : <https://bit.ly/3y0uSEC>



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