

Going Far Together: Shaping the Future of Travel Medicine in Africa

Pan African Travel Medicine Conference

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14 October		
Welcome remarks + Keynote address 17:30-19:00	PATMF President ISTM President Local Organiser Keynote: Travel medicine and Agenda 2063	Matshediso Kgamane Anne McCarthy Charles Tarimo Adamu Isah, Medical Director, Medical and Health Services, African Union Commission
15 October		
The changing travel medicine landscape in the era of AI and climate change 8:30-10:00 _ Plenary	Emerging technologies and AI Climate change and arboviruses Discussion: Impact of emerging technologies and climate change on the practice of travel medicine and travellers	Sameer Nakedar, UK Ralph Huits, Netherlands Discussion Leader: Aisha Khatib, Canada
TEA BREAK 10:00 - 10:30		
Not your average traveller: Travel readiness in diverse populations 10:30-12:00 _ Symposium	Paediatric VFR travellers Maritime medicine Safeguarding mental health in seafarers	Leonard Malasa, Tanzania Eno Tracy Peters, Nigeria Leon Ogoti, Kenya
Emerging evidence and opportunities 12:00-12:30 _ Free paper session LUNCH 12:30-13:30	Traveller's diarrhea in Nepal In-flight medical emergencies	Bhawani Thapa Khadka, Nepal Colombe Irahali, Central African Republic
Preparedness and prevention: Meeting travellers' needs 13:30-14:30 _ Symposium	Preparing travellers for mass gatherings Travel for work	Santanu Chatterjee, India Candace McAlester, USA
Hot topics in travel medicine 14:30-15:00 _ Round-up TEA BREAK 15:00-15:30	Emerging evidence and research	David Ross + Derek Evans, UK
Navigating risk: Communication, chronic disease, and clinical care 15:30-17:30 _ OSKE	Communicating risk to the traveller Travelling with diabetes mellitus The ill returning traveller	Dipti Patel, UK Gerard Flaherty, Ireland Camilla Rothe, Germany
16 October		
Global trends, local threats: Changing patterns of infectious diseases 8:30-10:00 _ Plenary TEA BREAK 10:00 - 10:30	Epidemiological risk assessment Dengue: The Tanzanian perspective Lyme Disease epidemiology and clinical management	Robert Steffen, Switzerland Charles Tarimo, Tanzania Eric Caumes, France
Out and about: Special itineraries 10:30-12:00 _ Symposium	The health journey of mobile populations Wilderness medicine Medical tourism	Thomas Charles Kalasani, Tanzania Matshediso Kgamane, Botswana Gerard Flaherty, Ireland
Addressing gaps in knowledge and practice 12:00-12:45 _ Free paper session LUNCH 12:45-13:45	Travel medicine practice in Nigeria Perception and use of travel health services in Nigeria Knowledge and practice within the African Union	Adegboyega Alao, Nigeria Ayokunle Kajero, Nigeria Samuel Mucheru, Ethiopia
Integrated approaches towards malaria elimination 13:45-15:00 _ Symposium TEA BREAK 15:00-15:30	New targets to disrupt malaria transmission Malaria prevention strategies for risk groups Imported malaria cases in Tunisia	Brian Tarimo, Tanzania Dipti Patel, UK Fatma Cheikhrouhou, Tunisia
Around the world in 120 minutes 15:30-17:30 _ Workshop	India Cameroon / Central African Republic Canada Portugal Cambodia / Thailand Colombia	Santanu Chatterjee Colombe Irahali Aisha Khatib Gabriela Saldanha Anne McCarthy Alfonso Javier Rodriguez-Morales
17 October		
Lessons from the front lines 8:30-10:00 _ Symposium TEA BREAK 10:00 - 10:30	Establishing travel medicine clinics Preparing students from a travel nurse perspective GeoSentinel and research opportunities	Adamu Isah, Eyerusalem Getaneh, Ethiopia Molimi Geya, South Africa Ralph Huits, Netherlands
Managing complexity in travel medicine 10:30-11:30 _ Symposium	The older traveller Occupational exposures on medical missions	Sonia Kechaou-Cherif, Tunisia Dawd Siraj, USA
The future of travel medicine in Africa 11:30-12:30 _ Plenary	Where are we, where do we want to be, how do we get there?	Discussion Leader: Simbarashe Makuni, Zimbabwe
Closing remarks 12:35-12:45 LUNCH	ISTM President PATMF President	Anne McCarthy Matshediso Kgamane