

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

Pan African Travel Medicine Conference

Protea Hotel, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

14-17 October 2026

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME as of 23 July 2026

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 Mental health - preparing longterm assignees Maritime medicine	Leonard Malasa, Tanzania Leon Ogoti, Kenya Eno Tracy Peters, Nigeria
LUNCH 12:00-13:00		
Preparedness and prevention: Meeting traveller needs across contexts 13:00-14:30 _ Symposium	Preparing travellers for mass gatherings Yellow Fever vaccination: Dilemmas	Santanu Chatterjee, India Garth K. Brink, South Africa
TEA BREAK 14:30 - 15:00		
Navigating risk: Communication, chronic disease, and clinical care 15:00-17:00 _ OSKE	Communicating risk to the traveller Travelling with diabetes mellitus The ill returning traveller	Dipti Patel, UK Gerard Flaherty, Ireland Camila Rothe, Germany
16 October		
Emerging evidence and opportunities 8:00-8:25 _ Free paper session	Traveller's diarrhea in Nepal In-flight medical emergencies	Bhawani, Thapa Khadka, Nepal Colombe Irahali, Central African Republic
Global trends, local threats: Changing patterns of infectious diseases 8:30-10:00 _ Plenary	Epidemiological risk assessment The changing face of Dengue in Tanzania Lyme Disease epidemiology and clinical management	Robert Steffen, Switzerland Charles Tarimo, Tanzania Eric Caumes, France
TEA BREAK 10:00 - 10:30		
Out and about: Special itineraries 10:30-12:00 _ Symposium	Migrant health Wilderness medicine Medical tourism	IOM Tanzania Matshediso Kgamane, Botswana Gerard Flaherty, Ireland
LUNCH 12:00-13:00		
Integrated approaches towards malaria elimination 13:00-14:30 _ Symposium	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
TEA BREAK 14:30 - 15:00		
Around the world in 120 minutes 15:00-17:00 _ 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
Hot off the press: Travel medicine round-up 17:05-17:30 _ Late breaker	Emerging evidence and research	David Ross + Derek Evans, UK
17 October		
Addressing gaps in knowledge and practice 8:00-8:25 _ Free paper session	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
Lessons from the front lines 8:30-10:00 _ Symposium	Establishing travel medicine clinics Opportunities and challenges in travel nursing GeoSentinel and research opportunities	Adamu Isah, Eyerusalem Getaneh, Ethiopia Molimi Geya, South Africa Ralph Huits, Netherlands
TEA BREAK 10:00 - 10:30		
Managing complexity in travel medicine 10:30-11:25 _ Panel	The older traveller + travellers with co-morbidities 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