Dear Members of the ICASA 2019 steering committee meeting,

I would like on behalf of the Society for AIDS in Africa, the President of ICASA 2019, Prof John IDOKO and the Vice President, Dr Diane Gashumba, Honourable Minister of health of Rwanda to express our gratitude and congratulate each member of the ICASA 2019 steering committee for their dedication and engagement to respond positively to the continent's call in finalizing the upcoming ICASA 2019 programme. Despite the challenges of managing 3107 abstracts submitted and more than 2759 scholarships demanded for ICASA 2019, we have been able to finalize ICASA Programme in line with the key date and objectives. Here are some statistics of the programme:

- 15 Plenaries
- · 24 Oral abstract sessions, totalling 120 Oral presentations
- 29 programme concurrent sessions
- · 24 community village programme sessions
- · 16 Youth Pavilion programme sessions
- · 380 poster exhibitions daily, totalling 1521 poster exhibitions
- · 37 Satellite sessions within the programme
- 55 Normal satellites

In total, ICASA 2019 will have 200 sessions with 578 expected speakers.

We are happy to inform you that the Programme is now <u>online</u> and we need all partners to kindly help to confirm their various packages of satellites or exhibitions so as to facilitate the printing of the programme book by 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

Thank you for your usual support.