







# 1st ISC Meeting REPORT

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### 1<sup>st</sup> International Steering Committee meeting

# 26th February 2021 Virtual meeting

#### <u>AGENDA</u>

## **OBJECTIVES:**

- I. Finalize new format (Hybrid Conference) and the Theme and objectives for ICASA 2021.
- II. Agree on the key dates and road map
- III. Identify best strategy for resource mobilization.
- IV. Ratify the Marketing and communication strategy for ICASA 2021.
- V. Propose ICASA 2021 draft plenary session topics and speakers.

### CHAIRS

Prof. John Idoko, ICASA 2021 President /Society for AIDS in Africa (SAA)

Day 1: 26 February 2021 First ISC meeting Part I			
Time	Activities	Discussion Lead	
11:00	Registration of participants	Secretariat	
	Opening Session		
	Welcoming address	Conference	
11:05	Opening remarks	President	
	Introduction of participants		
	Endorsement of the agenda		
	Session 1: Presentation of SAA/ICASA		
11:15	Presentation of SAA and ICASA Management & Conference structure	ICASA Director	
11:25	Session 2: Presentation of proposed ICASA 2021 Thematics / objectives	SAA SG	
	Presentation of the various proposed thematic for final selection		
11: 25	Break away Session		

11:55	Session 3: Leadership / Community / Scientific Break away to shortlist one thematic and 4/5 objectives	Session Chairs
12:25	Session 4: Validation of ICASA 2021 Thematic (Theme and objectives)	ICASA 2021 President
12:35	Session 5: Presentation of the draft ICASA 2021 preliminary program & Key Dates	ICASA 2021 Director
12:45	Session 6: Presentation of ICASA 2021 marketing plan Presentation of the marketing plan and identification of best strategy for resource mobilization	SAA Treasurer
12:50	Session 7: Communication strategy Presentation of the proposed communication strategy for ICASA 2021	ICASA Director
1pm	Session 8: Wrap up first ISC ICASA 2021 Day 1	ICASA 2021 President

**NB:** From the ICASA 2021 Thematic and Objectives, the SAA secretariat will engage all committees in the proposition of Plenary thematic and proposition of speakers and backup speakers. The second part of ICASA 2021 steering Committee meeting will be done on the 5<sup>th</sup> March same hours, specially to finalize the plenaries.

	Day 2: 5 <sup>th</sup> March, ICASA 2021, 1 <sup>st</sup> ISC part II	
11:00	Welcome & recap part I first ISC meeting	ICASA President
11:05	Session 9: Presentation of the Plenary topics (6 /committee /day)	SAA SG
11:15	Session 10: Break away session per committee (3 committees) Selection of 3 per day per committee with 2 back up	Committee Chairs

11:55	Session 11: Presentation of ICASA 2021 Plenary topics & Speakers	ICASA 2021 President
12:00	Session 12: AOB	ICASA 2021 Director
12:05	Wrap up first ISC meeting ICASA 2021	ICASA 2021 President

### 2021 VALIDATED THEME & OBJECTIVES

THEME: Africa's AIDS response: The race to 2030- Evidence. Scale up. Accelerate

#### VALIDATED OBJECTIVES

- 1. To strengthen health systems to integrate high impact interventions on comorbidities, emerging infections and NCDs.
- 2. To build, strengthen and invest in Africa's scientific capacity and manufacturing of vaccines, diagnostics and therapeutics.
- 3. To Identify in Africa, resource tailored interventions for populations most affected including women, children, adolescents, men and Key Populations.
- 4. To evaluate the impact of COVID-19 on the HIV/AIDS response and share lessons learned in overcoming barriers in maintaining continuity of care for people living with and at risk for HIV infection.
- 5. To amplify national, regional, continental and global integration to reach epidemic control in Africa: Contributions from Africans in the Diaspora.

#### ICASA 2021 VALIDATED PLENARY TOPICS

#### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMME**

1. Implementing person centered key population programming at scale.

- 2. Health System Strengthening: The funding Landscape: health financing and Domestic Resource Mobilization.
- 3. Addressing the needs of People who Use Drugs to achieve epidemic control.
- 4. Impact of COVID 19 on HIV Services
- 5. Epidemic Control in Africa: Response from the Diaspora

### LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

- 1. African leadership in ending AIDS in Africa: Abuja Declaration: where are we?
- 2. Sustaining gains during COVID-19.
- 3. The new Global strategy to end AIDS by 2030: what do we need to do differently in Africa.
- 4. HIV prevention is everyone's Business: The pathway to stemming new infections in Africa.
- 5. Adolescent girls, young women & men: Key to achieving the end of AIDS in Africa in 2030.

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

- 1. Political leadership and partnerships to promote and accelerate access to innovation prevention & care.
- 2. To build, strengthen and invest in Africa's scientific capacity and manufacturing of vaccines, diagnostics and therapeutics.
- 3. Management of COVID 19 in Africa: Impact & Way forward.
- 4. HIV, TB & other co-infections: The journey ahead.
- 5. HIV Pediatrics: how far did we relieve the burden on children and what is the perspective towards 2030?

#### **REVIEW OF ICASA 2021 UPCOMING MILESTONES & MEETINGS**

UPCOMING MILESTONES	TIMELINE
Call for ICASA 2021 Proposition for Concurrent sessions	5 <sup>th</sup> March -5 <sup>th</sup> May 2021

Finalize all ICASA 2021 Concurrent sessions (Special session/Workshop/Non-Abstract driven session)	11 <sup>th</sup> May – 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2021
Call for Abstract reviewers	1 <sup>st</sup> April – 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2021
ICASA 2021 Marathon meeting (Finalize ICASA 2021 Programme)	18 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2021
Align Abstract and Non-Abstract driven sessions	11 <sup>th</sup> September 2021