

IME AI4AFRICAN HEALTH INITIATIVE

DIGITIZATION FOR HEALTH IN AFRICA

Theme: Harnessing Artificial Intelligence for Health Equity and Universal Health Coverage in Africa

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14:00PM SAST
(S. AFRICA)

8:00AM EDT
(USA)



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AGENDA

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER NAME	DESIGNATION/INSTITUTION
South Africa: 14:00-14:25 (SAST) West Africa: 13:00-13:25 (WAT) United Kingdom: 13:00-13:25 (BST) US East Coast: 08:00-08:25 (EDT) US West Coast: 05:00-05:25 (PDT)	Opening Welcome	Professor S. Yunkap Kwankam	Executive Director, International Society for Telemedicine & eHealth (ISfTeH)
	Strategic Context	Dr. Sylvanus 'Tokunboh Ayeni	Board Member, International Medical Exchange
South Africa: 14:25-14:55 (SAST) West Africa: 13:25-13:55 (WAT) United Kingdom: 13:25-13:55 (BST) US East Coast: 08:25-08:55 (EDT) US West Coast: 05:25-05:55 (PDT)	Keynote Address: The Future of AI in African Healthcare	Professor Rubin Pilay	Marnix E Heersink, Professor of Medicine, Assistant Dean, University of Alabama, Executive Director, Chief Innovation Officer, Medical Futurist, Global Leader in AI in Healthcare
5 MINUTE BREAK			
South Africa: 15:00-16:00 (SAST) West Africa: 14:00-15:00 (WAT) United Kingdom: 14:00-15:00 (BST) US East Coast: 09:00-10:00 (EDT) US West Coast: 06:00-07:00 (PDT)	Panel I AI, Public Health & Disease Surveillance (WHO AFRO · Africa CDC) Moderator: Dr. Randall C. Morgan, Jr.	Ms. Precious Matsoso	Health Regulatory Science Platform. Wits Health Consortium
		Dr. Derrick Muneene	Team Leader, Assessment, Planning and Partnership Team; Data, Digital Health, Analytics and AI Department; WHO HQ
		Professor Olalekan A. Uthman	Professor of Global Health Informatics, Stellenbosch University
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South Africa: 16:05-17:05 (SAST) West Africa: 15:05-16:05 (WAT) United Kingdom: 15:05-16:05 (BST) US East Coast: 10:05-11:05 (EDT) US West Coast: 07:05-08:05 (PDT)	Panel II Financing AI Infrastructure for Healthcare in Africa Moderators: Professor Modest Mulenga Dr Rajeev Rao Eashwari	Dr. Neeraj Mistry	Global Health and Patient Advocate, Consultant, and Integrated Health Specialist
		Dr. Moses Oluwayemi	Founder & CEO TurboMedics Ltd MedTech Innovator Community Health Advocate
		Mr. Steven Wanyee	Deputy Chair of the Africa Digital Health Networks (ADHN)
5 MINUTE BREAK			
South Africa: 17:10-18:10 (SAST) West Africa: 16:10-17:10 (WAT) United Kingdom: 16:10-17:10 (BST) US East Coast: 11:10-12:10 (EDT) US West Coast: 08:10-09:10 (PDT)	Panel III Natural Language Processing and Community Agency in Communication and Health Moderator: Mr. Malcolm Clyburn	Professor Vukosi Marivate	Director, AfriDSAI, Univ. of Pretoria; Co-Founder, Lelapa.ai & Masakhane
		Dr. Shamsuddeen Hassan Muhammad	Google DeepMind Academic Fellow, Advanced Research Fellow at Imperial College London, Assistant Professor (Senior Lecturer) - BUK, Africa NLP, Co-founder HausaNLP, Founder Arewa Data Science Academy"
		Dr. Hassanatu Blake	Associate Clinical Professor University of Maryland School of Public Health, Commissioner Maryland Health Care Commision
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South Africa: 18:15-18:45 (SAST) West Africa: 17:15-17:45 (WAT) United Kingdom: 17:15-17:45 (BST) US East Coast: 12:15-12:45 (EDT) US West Coast: 09:15-09:45 (PDT)	Strategic Partner Roundtable (Google Cloud · African Union · HELINA) Moderator: Mr Conrad Clyburn	Professor Jude Kong	Director of the Artificial Intelligence & Mathematical Modeling Lab (AIMMLab), University of Toronto. Director of the Africa-Canada Artificial Intelligence and Data Innovation Consortium.
		Mr. Neeraj Huddar	Head of Google Digital Public Infrastructure - India, Google
		Mr. Sosthenes Bagumhe	President, HELINA (Pan African Health Informatics Association)
South Africa: 18:45-19:00 (SAST) West Africa: 17:45-18:00 (WAT) United Kingdom: 17:45-18:00 (BST) US East Coast: 12:45-13:00 (EDT) US West Coast: 09:45-10:00 (PDT)	Closing Call to Action	Dr. Henry Musunge	Co-Chairman of the IME Board of Directors, IME
	Pathways to Second Curtain Raiser	Professor S. Yunkap Kwankam	Executive Director, International Society for Telemedicine & eHealth (ISfTeH)

CORE OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Build continental digital health momentum
- ✓ Initiate IME chapters in the five regions of the continent
- ✓ Position IME as Africa's digital health catalyst
- ✓ Engage funders through value pathways