











COECSA 2019
KIGALI CONVENTION CENTRE
KIGALI, RWANDA
AUGUST 21-23, 2019



THE EVENT TO ATTEND IN 2019 FOR OPHTHALMOLOGISTS
AND ALLIED EYE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS





COECSA 2019 PROGRAM			
	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
0800 to 1000	12 Subspecialty/Parallel Sessions (4Rooms) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ant Segment and Cornea <input type="checkbox"/> Retina <input type="checkbox"/> Glaucoma <input type="checkbox"/> Paediatric Ophthalmology 	OPENING SESSION: 0800 Back to the Future-1995 to 2025	THEMED SESSION 5: 0800 Francophonie Symposium- Les Bonnes Pratiques en ophtalmologie (Best Practice in Ophthalmology)
1001 to 1029	HEALTH BREAK	HEALTH BREAK	HEALTH BREAK
1030 to 1200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ant Segment and Cornea <input type="checkbox"/> Retina <input type="checkbox"/> Glaucoma <input type="checkbox"/> Oculoplastics 	THEMED SESSION 2: 1030 Conquering the Front of the eye	THEMED SESSION 6: 1030 The Young patient: Progress and Persistent Challenges
1201 to 1230	INDUSTRY SPONSORED LECTURE	PROF HENRY ADALA INAUGURAL LECTURE	ROS DISTINGUISHED GUEST LECTURE
1231 to 1329	LUNCH BREAK	LUNCH BREAK	LUNCH BREAK
1330 to 1500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health/Research <input type="checkbox"/> Young Ophthalmologists <input type="checkbox"/> Allied Professionals <input type="checkbox"/> Ophthalmic Education 	THEMED SESSION 3: 1330 Deciphering the Back of the Eye	Themed Session 7: 1330 Must Know Diagnostic and Imaging Tools
1501 to 1529	MINI HEALTH BREAK	MINI HEALTH BREAK	MINI HEALTH BREAK
1530 to 1700	COECSA AGM & ELECTIONS: 1530 	OPEN SESSION 4: 1530 Free Papers	CLOSING CEREMONY 1530 CITY TOUR 1600  
1701-1859	BREAK	BREAK	CITY TOUR 1600
1900+	COCKTAIL SESSION: OFFICIAL OPENING & GRADUATION CEREMONY :1900  	COECSA GALA DINNER + AWARD CEREMONY: 1900  	KIGALI BY NIGHT 1900  SPEAKERS RECEPTION 1900  



COECSA 2019 ABSTRACT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- The submission of abstracts is open.
- Deadline is May 31, 2019.
- Abstracts shall be submitted electronically through the COECSA 2019 website.
- The abstract must be written in English EXCEPT abstracts submitted specifically for the Francophone symposium which can be in either English or French.
- The title or text is not to indicate the country of origin, unless it is pertinent to the topic.
- Maximum 300 words / 2000 characters (including spaces but excluding the title and contact information of authors).
- The structure of the abstract should be as follows:
 - Classification* – e.g. Epidemiology/Diabetic Retinopathy e.g. Ophthalmic Education (See * below for more info on classification)
 - Authors and their contact information
 - Title – e.g. 4-year incidence of DR in an African Cohort
 - Purpose – Aim of investigation.
 - Methods – Study design, patients, methods of investigation and analysis, etc.
 - Results – Results of research with specific data and statistical significance.
 - Conclusions – Conclusions drawn from the results obtained. Statements like “results are under discussion” are not acceptable.
- Figures, tables or images are NOT to be included in the abstract.

* Classify the abstract with the topic which best describes the abstract e.g. cataract. Abstracts that fit the objectives of the themed sessions will be included in those sessions if selected, while those that do not fit will be presented in the Open session as free papers if selected.



Themed Session	Learning Objectives for the audience
Back to the Future-1995 to 1925 Invited Speakers Only. They will receive specific instructions for their presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A review of ophthalmic practice in the COECSA region from 1995 to date with a projection of what changes to expect and prepare for in the next 5 years up to 2025
Conquering the Front of the Eye	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify different techniques for managing complicated anterior segment surgery • Discuss Video presentations depicting novel or high-risk anterior segment surgery • Understand the management of ocular surface disease • Review of medical and surgical techniques for the management of various infectious and inflammatory conditions of the anterior segment
Deciphering the Back of the Eye	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understanding of the emerging and established pharmacological and surgical therapies for uveitis and retinal conditions • Familiarise with new imaging modalities for retina conditions • Compare benefits between the old and new treatments for uveitis and retinal diseases • Review Unique and rare case presentations of the posterior segment
Must Know Diagnostic and Imaging Tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose of this symposium is to provide attendees with recent developments and additional skills in the diagnosis of ophthalmological disorders, orbital emergencies, orbital vasculopathies, ocular and orbital tumours, ocular motility disorders by use of advanced imaging techniques. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use of anterior segment imaging in glaucoma ○ Case Series Review to Identify new imaging modalities for retina diseases ○ Imaging as a tool for Early Detection of disease
The Young patient: Progress and Persistent Challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present the latest research developments and clinical practice advancements for emerging and established treatment therapies for eye diseases affecting children- cataracts, glaucoma, retina, ocular motility disorders, red eye conditions, ROP, trauma. Genetic disorders and oculoplastic disorders • Describe successes and dilemmas in managing eye conditions in children
Les Bonne Pratiques en ophtalmologie (Best Practice in Ophthalmology)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familiarise with ophthalmic practice in Francophone Africa and other French speaking regions • Open session to showcase the best practice in ophthalmology presented by French speakers from Africa and beyond. Simultaneous translation will be provided for the audience

Authors of all accepted presentations will be notified by June 15, 2019. Please contact Prof Ciku Mathenge ciku@email.com if you need any clarification



SUBSPECIALTY DAY SESSIONS

The much awaited COECSA 2019 Subspecialty sessions will take place on 21st August 2019.

The sessions will be run by invited speakers. These sessions will feature a comprehensive program, with didactic sessions, case presentations, and panel discussions. Participants will acquire knowledge and skills that attendees can take home and use immediately. The programme is designed to provide updates and generate discussion among the faculty and attendees on current and common conditions in eye clinics and theatres.

The following Subspecialties Symposia will be held:

- Ant Segment and Cornea (800 to 1300)
- Retina (800 to 1300)
- Glaucoma (800 to 1300)
- Paediatric Ophthalmology (800 to 1030)
- Oculoplastics (1030 to 1300)
- Public Health/Research (1400 to 1730)
- Ophthalmic Education (1400 to 1730)

Additionally, 2 special symposia will be held as follows. The aim of these sessions is to provide a forum for knowledge sharing, discussion of common interests and networking for these groups of professionals

- Young Ophthalmologists (1400 to 1730)
- Allied Professionals (1400 to 1730)

The coordinators for the subspecialty sessions will invite presenters to these sessions.

The names of the coordinators will be communicated by February 28, 2019.

Please contact Prof Ciku Mathenge ciku@email.com if you want to coordinate/fund a subspecialty session