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AAIC Satellite Symposium, May 15-16, 2024, in Cape Town, South Africa, and online, aims to convene, support and strengthen the dementia science community in Africa. This meeting is hosted in collaboration with the Global Brain Health Institute (GBHI) and the Atlantic Fellows for Equity in Brain Health. The in-person conference will be held at the Westin Cape Town.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024

7 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

Registration

Old Harbor Lobby

8-9 a.m.

Networking Breakfast (In person only)

Grand Ballroom

9-9:15 a.m.

Opening Ceremony & Welcome

Grand Ballroom

Joanne Pike, Alzheimer's Association®
Brian Lawlor, Global Brain Health Institute, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
Tracey Naledi, University of Cape Town, South Africa

9:15-10:30 a.m.

Session: National Dementia Plans and Culturally-Relevant Approaches to Care

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Kirti Ranchod, University of Witwatersrand, South Africa/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute
David Ndeti, University of Nairobi, Kenya

Presenters:

Alfred Njamnshi, Brain Research Africa Initiative (BRAIN) & The University of Yaounde I, Cameroon
Sebastiana Kalula, University of Cape Town, South Africa
John Weru, Aga Khan University, Kenya
Ameenah Sorefan, Alzheimer's Disease International, Mauritius

10:30-11 a.m.

Break

Old Harbor Lobby

11–11:45 a.m.

Plenary: The Landscape of Alzheimer’s and Dementia Research in Africa

Grand Ballroom

Presenters:

Rufus Akinyemi, University of Ibadan/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Nigeria
Kirsty Donald, University of Cape Town, South Africa

11:45 a.m–12:30 p.m.

Session: Basic Science Landscape and Techniques

Grand Ballroom

Moderator:

Mahmoud Maina, University of Sussex, United Kingdom

Presenters:

Rachael Dangarembizi, University of Cape Town, South Africa
Amos Abolaji, University of Ibadan, Nigeria
Mohamed Elsaey, Yale University, USA (Virtual)

Introduction to ISTAART

Cynthia Nyen Tangban, Cross River University of Technology, Nigeria

12:30–1:50 p.m.

Lunch

Grand Ballroom

ISTAART Skills Forum 1 - Meet the Networks (*In-person only. Space is limited, pre-registration is required.*)

Vasco da Gama/Bartholomew Diaz

1:50–2 p.m.

Brain Health Boost

Rowena Richie, For You/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, USA

2–3 p.m.

Session: Diagnostic Tools and Approaches

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Jean Ikanga, Emory University School of Medicine, USA
Noeline Nakasujja, Makerere University School of Medicine, Uganda

Presenters:

Johnes Obungoloch, Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Uganda
Seggane Musisi, Makerere University, Uganda
Racheal Alinaitwe, Makerere University, Uganda

3–4 p.m.

Poster Viewing Break

Old Harbor Lobby

4–4:10 p.m.

Brain Health Boost

Dani Macri, Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Argentina

4:10–4:45 p.m.

Session: Lightning Presentation Round

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Shimaa Heikal, The American University in Cairo, Egypt
Valentine Ucheagwu, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Nigeria
Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute

Presenters:

Oladotun Victor Olalusi, University of Ibadan, Nigeria
Daniel Abukuri, University of Ghana, Ghana
Tobi Olajide, College of Medicine University of Ibadan, Nigeria
Shimaa Heikal, The American University in Cairo, Egypt
Anna Dreyer, University of Cape Town/University of Cambridge, South Africa/United Kingdom

4:45–5:45 p.m.

Panel: Capacity Building in Africa

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Tracey Naledi, University of Cape Town, South Africa
Adesola Ogunniyi, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Presenters:

Hoda Wahba, Ain Shams University, Egypt
Tina Charway-Felli, Military Hospital in Accra, Ghana
Rema Raman, Keck School of Medicine of USC, USA
Sadiq Yusuf, Newgate University Minna, Nigeria
Samuel Maling, Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Uganda
Victor Valcour, Global Brain Health Institute, University of California, San Francisco, USA

5:45–7:30 p.m.

Reception (*In person only*)

Old Harbor Lobby

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024

7 a.m. –2 p.m.

Registration

Old Harbor Lobby

8–9 a.m.

Breakfast

Grand Ballroom

ISTAART Skills Forum 2 - Building Global Collaborations

(In-person only. Space is limited, pre-registration is required.)

Vasco da Gama/Bartholomew Diaz

9–10:30 a.m.

Session: Genetic Diversity and Environmental Factors in Africa

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Damali Martin, National Institute on Aging, USA
Biniyam Ayele, Addis Ababa University/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Ethiopia

Presenters:

Yared Zewde, Addis Ababa University/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Ethiopia
Margaret Pericak-Vance, University of Miami, USA
Bernard Fongang, University of Texas Health San Antonio, USA

10:30–11:15 a.m.

Poster Viewing Break

Old Harbor Lobby

11:15 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

Session: Interventions to Promote Brain Health In Africa

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Hany Ibrahim, Ain Shams University/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Egypt
Brian Lawlor, Global Brain Health Institute, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

Presenters:

Cyprian Mostert, Aga Khan University, Kenya
Jaco Hoffman, North-West University, South Africa
Primrose Nyamayaro, University of Zimbabwe/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Zimbabwe
Ozioma Okonkwo, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

12:45–1:55 p.m.

Lunch (*In person only*)

Grand Ballroom

ISTAART Skills Forum 3 - Career Mentoring (*In-person only. Space is limited, pre-registration is required.*)

Vasco da Gama/Bartholomew Diaz

1:55–2 p.m.

Brain Health Boost

Armagan Uysal, Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Turkey

2–2:55 p.m.

Session: Lightning Presentation Round Global Brain Health Institute

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Lingani Mbakile Mahlanza, University of Botswana,
Botswana/Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute

Presenters:

Temesgen Nurye, Ethiopia
Emily Adrion, United Kingdom
Cristiano Schaffer Aguzzoli, Brazil
Elisa Resende, Brazil
Ayda Tefera, Ethiopia
Alex Kornhuber, Peru
Fernando Aguzzoli Peres, Brazil
Elissaios Karageorgiou, Greece
Mohamed Salama, Egypt
Iracema Leroi, Ireland

2:55–3 p.m.

Brain Health Boost

Geeta Dorkhy, Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Mauritius
Laura Maria Calderon Cuevas, Atlantic Fellow, Global Brain Health Institute, Colombia

3–4 p.m.

Global Health Institute/Atlantic Fellows: Advancing Brain Health in Africa: How do we do it?

Grand Ballroom

Moderators:

Laz Eze, Nigeria

Presenters:

Rufus Akinyemi, Nigeria
Mohamed Salama, Egypt
Ayda Tefera, Ethiopia
Kirti Ranchod, South Africa
Geeta Dorkhy, Mauritius

4–4:30 p.m.

Close (In person only)

Adesola Ogunniyi, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

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AAIC Advancements: Exploring Equity in Diagnosis

Nov. 18-19 | Chicago, USA, and Online

AAIC Advancements: APOE & Lipid Biology

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