PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION

2026 PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Lagos, Nigeria

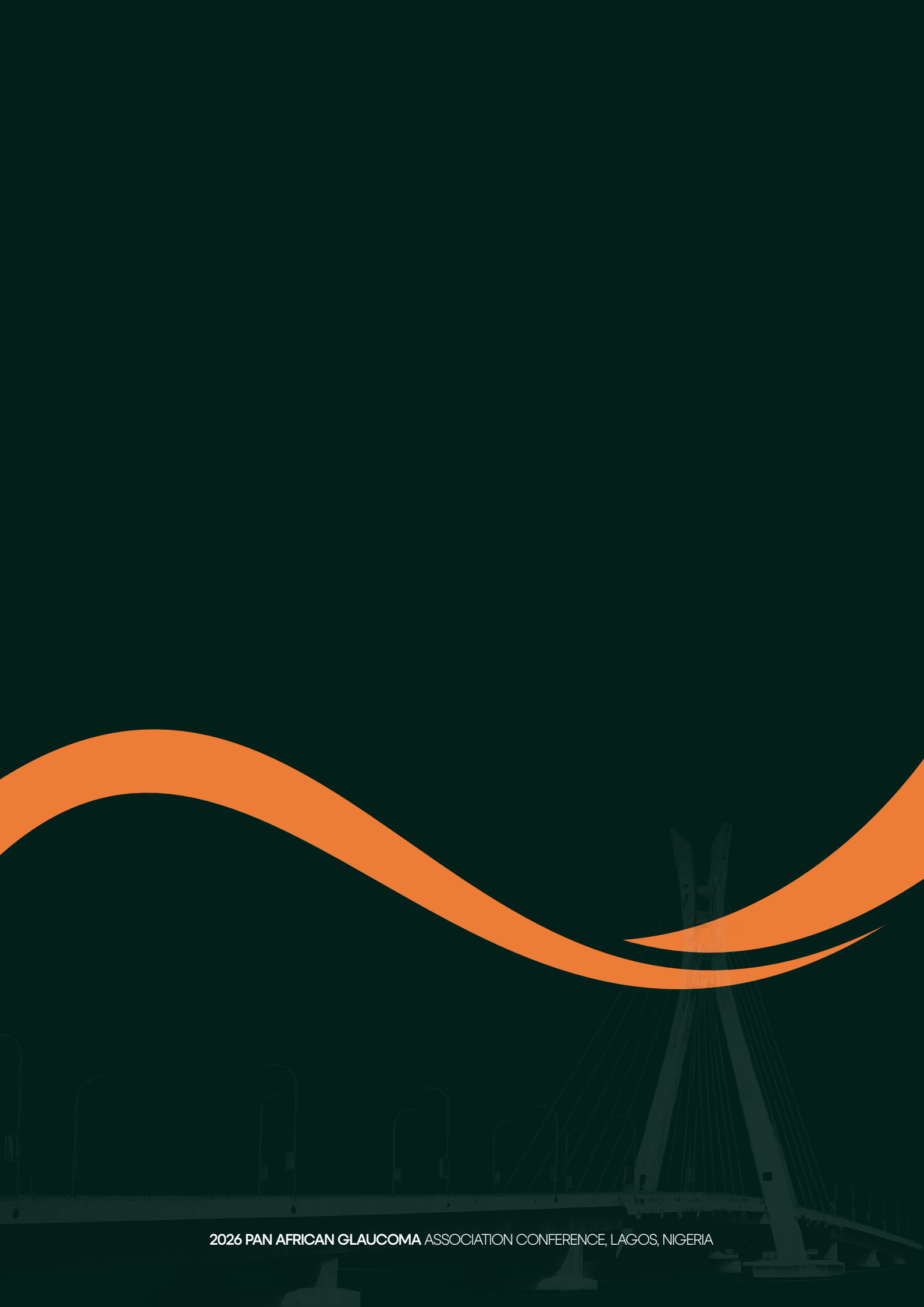


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GLAUCOMA SOCIETY OF NIGERIA (GSN)



2026 PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, LAGOS, NIGERIA

PAGA MISSION STATEMENT

The Pan African Glaucoma Association (PAGA) is the pre-eminent organization dedicated to improving the lives of all people with glaucoma and those at risk by leading the advancement of education, research, health care access, and advocacy. PAGA has a unique focus on Africans and persons of African descents throughout the Diaspora who have the highest rates of blindness globally.

HISTORY OF THE PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION (PAGA)

The Pan African Glaucoma Association was founded in 2023. At a meeting of the World Glaucoma Congress Daniel Laroche MD, Karen Allison MD, Olusola Olawoye MD, Dan Kiage MD and Sheila Marco noticed the dramatically low number of Ophthalmologists from Africa and the Diaspora. This initial group met during a break at the WGC in Rome, Italy and agreed that we had enough number of Glaucoma Specialists of African descent from the global diaspora to address the higher rates of glaucoma and blindness affecting Africans more formally and those of African descent throughout the world. We have the stated purpose of maintaining and improving "the quality of patient care primarily through improvement, exchange and dissemination of information and scientific knowledge pertinent to glaucoma and related diseases with a focus on patients of African descent and the diaspora."

Although there are many other glaucoma societies and meetings, none fully focus on those of African descent. The group felt that an additional forum for both clinical and scientific interchange among glaucoma specialists was needed to address the barriers for patients, doctors, and allied health professionals to receiving and providing care for those with glaucoma.

Other leading members of the global glaucoma community were approached. Those who agreed and stepped forth included officers and leadership members of our executive committee.

A Constitution and Bylaws for PAGA was prepared for PAGA and was incorporated in New York State on January 17, 2024, and received Internal Revenue Service federal nonprofit status on February 22, 2024, with an effective date of October 25, 2023. The first elected officers were President, Daniel Laroche MD USA, Vice-President Olusola Olawoye MD Nigeria Treasurer, Karen Allison, MD USA, Secretary, Elizabeth Awoyesuku MD, Nigeria. Committee Chairs, Membership Committee, Bola Adekoya MD Nigeria, Fundraising Committee Benjeil Edghill MD USA, Website Social Media, Philip Phatudi MD South Africa, Conference Planning Karen Allison MD USA, Wetlab Committee, Adun Ogunro MD Nigeria, Research Committee Chimdi Chuka-Okosa MD Nigeria, Patient Education, Suhanyah Okeke MD Nigeria, French Diaspora Liaison, Jeremie Agre MD Cote D'Ivoire, Bylaws Committee, Girum Gebreal MD Ethiopia, Legislative Committee, Fisseha Ayela MD Ethiopia, CME Committee, Naa Naamuah Tagoe MD Ghana.

The Executive committee has had monthly meetings remotely from around the world to advance the goals of the Association.

Our first inaugural Congress was in Accra, Ghana hosted by the Ophthalmology Society of Ghana. The second congress is scheduled to take place in Lagos, Nigeria, co-hosted by the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria, with Dr. Bola Adekoya serving as Chair of the Local Organizing Committee.

PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION

2024 - 2026 OFFICERS



Daniel Laroche, *MD USA*
President



Olusola Olawoye,
MD Nigeria
Vice-President



Karen Allison, *MD USA*
Treasurer



Elizabeth Awoyesuku,
MD, Nigeria
Secretary

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Bola Adekoya,
MD Nigeria USA
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Karen Allison, *MD USA*
Conference Planning



Adun Ogunro, *MD Nigeria*
Wetlab Committee



Chimdi Chuka-Okosa, *MD*
Research Committee



Suhanyah Okeke, *MD Nigeria*
Patient Education



Jeremie Agre, *MD Cote D'Ivoire*
French Diasposa Liason



Girum Gebreal, *MD Ethiopia*
Bylaws Committee

Fisseha Ayela, *MD Ethiopia*
Legislative Committee



Naa Naamuah Tagoe,
MD Ghana
CME Committee

GLAUCOMA SOCIETY OF NIGERIA (GSN)

2026 Host Committee

Glaucoma Society of Nigeria

PAGA Policies

Annual Meeting Conflict of Interest Issues

The PAGA Program Committee takes conflicts of interest very seriously and expects all PAGA Members to do the same. All participants in the program have submitted a Financial Disclosure Form that has been reviewed by the Program Chairs and Program Committee. A Conflict-of-Interest Resolution Form is used when deemed appropriate. An example of the Conflict-of-Interest Resolution Process is shown below. If you have any concerns about the content of or perceived conflicts of interest in the Annual Meeting, please bring them to the attention of the Program Committee Chair, Dr. Karen Allison, as soon as possible.

Financial Conflict Resolution Process

All financial conflicts of interest must be resolved. CME providers require that everyone who can control the content of an educational activity disclose all financial relationships with any commercial interest within the past 24 months. Those whose conflicts are not resolved by one of the following methods must be disqualified.

- Presenter limits the conflict to report information that is related to the conflict without recommendations
- Presenter references the "best available evidence in literature" and the grade or level of that evidence and identifies the conclusions that the evidence supports
- Presenter steps aside and allows someone else to present

PAGA Disclosure and Resolution of Conflict-of-Interest Policy

PAGA ensures that all leaders, volunteers, staff, or any individuals involved in planning and production of PAGA activities will disclose any and all potential conflicts of interest and resolve them prior to the activity.

Procedure

The process for ensuring compliance with this policy applies a multistep approach, including prevention and monitoring/evaluation.

Identification

All individuals who are involved with planning activities must sign and submit a Financial Disclosure Form prior to planning the activity. All financial relationships with any commercial interest must be disclosed. Individuals subject to this requirement include, but are not limited to, activity course directors and program chairs, planning committee members, faculty/speakers/presenters, authors, editors, expert reviewers, moderators, panel members, and PAGA staff in position to control content. All financial disclosures must be provided through the PAGA online disclosure form or in another pre-approved format.

Relevant financial relationships must be disclosed to learners prior to continuing education activity. Information provided in this manner includes the name of the individual, the name of the commercial interest(s), and the nature of the relationship the person has with the commercial interest(s). If an individual has no relevant relationship, then this must also be disclosed in advance to the learning audience.

Resolution

All faculty and non-faculty involved with the planning or implementation of an activity who disclose a conflict of interest must resolve that conflict prior to the activity. Appropriate mechanisms for resolution will be identified by the Program Committee and can include the following:

Non-faculty Resolution

A non-faculty member (e.g., staff) who has an identified conflict of interest will be asked to excuse themselves from any discussion/decision-making process where the conflict of interest would come into play.

Peer Review: A faculty member with a conflict of interest must submit their work to a panel for peer review.
Recommendations of the panel, as they relate to the conflict, must be taken. If the faculty member refuses
the recommendations, they will be asked to resign, and a new faculty member will be appointed.

Or

Evidence Based: Material to be presented must be the best available evidence in the literature, supported by the grade or level of that evidence and by identifying the conclusions that the evidence supports.

Or

Other methods deemed appropriate by PAGA.

Refusal to Disclose

Non-faculty

If a non-faculty member refuses to disclose conflicts of interest, then that person will be asked to step down from the position requiring disclosure of conflicts of interest.

Faculty Member

If a faculty member refuses to disclose, they will be replaced and not considered to be present until such disclosures are made.

Additional Information

Additional information may be requested of faculty/non-faculty to assist in the resolution of the conflict of interest. Resolution of the conflict of interest must also be disclosed to the audience in advance.

Off-Label Disclosure

In addition, all faculty members are required to disclose to learners off-label and/ or investigational use of a product and any limitations on the information presented, including preliminary data, anecdotal evidence, or unsupported opinion.

Evaluation/Monitoring for Bias

CME activity participants are surveyed about perceived commercial bias as part of the post-activity evaluation.

CME Violations

When a potential violation of Accrediting Council for Continuing Medical Education rules occurs during a CME-generating activity at an PAGA Annual Meeting or other PAGA event, the Program Committee Chair, if they have not personally witnessed the violation, will initiate an investigation into the occurrence by speaking with selected members of the audience, as well as the individual(s) charged with the violation. The Program Committee Chair may request copies of the presentation materials, including slides and outlines. The Program Committee will review the results of the investigation. The Program Committee may require consultation with the CME-accrediting body to determine if a violation has occurred. If it is determined that a violation exists, the Program Committee Chair will communicate directly with the offender to educate them on the nature of the violation, review ACCME rules, and issue a warning that potential penalties for future violations may include inability to present at future meetings. Copies of all communication in this regard will be filed with the CME accrediting body.

If an individual commits a second violation, the Program Committee Chair will convene the Program Committee to review the details of both violations and to issue a recommendation to the PAGA Board of Directors (BOD) regarding an appropriate penalty for the individual. The PAGA BOD may accept, deny, or modify the Program Committee recommendations. The Program Committee Chair (alone or together with the PAGA president) will then communicate this final decision to the offending individual.

CME FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PROGRAM COMMITTEE, AND SPEAKERS

S/N	NAME	DISCLOSURE
1.	Daniel Laroche	NONE
2.	Karen Allison	NONE
3.	Adeola Olukorede Onakoya	TO BE ANNOUNCED
4.	Bola Adekoya	NONE
5.	Olusola Olawoye	NONE
6.	Elizabeth Awoyesuku	NONE
7.	Jeannice Fairrer Samani	NONE
8.	Chimdi Chuka-Okosa	NONE
9.	Adunola Ogunro	NONE
10.	Okolo Oteri	NONE
11.	Okorie Uzoamaka Ngozi	NONE
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13.	Mary Ejiofor	NONE
14.	Chidinma Onyejekwe:	NONE
15.	Fatima Kyari	
16.	Adaora Chinwendu Okudo	NONE
17.	Bernice Adegbehingbe	NONE
18.	Enitan Sogbesan	TO BE ANNOUNCED
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22.	Ryan Allen Frisbie	TO BE ANNOUNCED
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25.	Deji Akinyemi	NONE
26.	Idris Saka	NONE
27.	Aisha Sheriff Kalambe	NONE
28.	Saka Eletu Sadiat	TO BE ANNOUNCED
29.	Maryam Abdullahi	TO BE ANNOUNCED
30.	Shiweobi Obinna	TO BE ANNOUNCED
31.	Abdullahi Sadiq	NONE
32.	Nkechi Uche	NONE
33.	Tarela Sarimiye	NONE
34.	Tolu Agbana	NONE
35.	AA MD RASHED NIZAM	NONE

Meeting Information

Notification

A written, printed, or electronic notice of any annual or special meeting of the Members, stating the time, place, and purposes thereof, shall be sent to each Member by the Secretary, or, in the case of their death, absence, incapacity, or refusal, by a person designated by the Board of Directors, at least sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting by leaving such notice with the Member or at their residence or usual place of business; by mailing the same, postage prepaid, directed to them at their address as last recorded on the books of the Society; or by electronic communication (e-mail) directed to an electronic address provided by the Member. Notice of a meeting need not be given to a member if such Member, or their attorney thereunto duly authorized, waives such notice by a writing filed with the records of the meeting.

Meeting Educational Objectives

1. Acquire expert knowledge on medical and surgical approaches for managing glaucoma.

2. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of current glaucoma procedures.

3. Learn and explain the role of the latest diagnostic equipment in diagnosing and managing glaucoma.

4. Engage in debates on treatment options to encourage friendly discussions that promote collegiality and enhance patient care based on the latest medical evidence.

5. Strengthen collaboration in glaucoma care and management in Africa and the Diaspora.

6. Develop essential components and innovative models for screening and improving glaucoma care and outcomes in Africa.

7. Promote a positive attitude and increase awareness about the different skills and organizations contributing to enhancing glaucoma care, awareness, outreach, research, innovation and outcomes in Africa and the Diaspora.

8. Shed light on the challenges related to glaucoma diagnosis and treatment in Africa and the Diaspora.

CME Credit

Accreditation Statement

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of The Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria, through the joint provider ship of the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria. The total number of CPD units acquired = 10.

FDA STATUS DISCLAIMER

Some material on recent developments may include information on drug or device applications that are not considered community standard, that reflect indications not included in approved Food and Drug Administration labeling, or that are approved for use only in restricted research settings. This information is provided as education only so physicians may be aware.

Meeting Information

The organizers of the congress are aware of alternative methods of the practice of medicine, and this should not be considered endorsement, promotion, or in any way encouragement to use such applications. The FDA has stated that it is the responsibility of the physician to determine the FDA status of each drug or device they wish to use in clinical practice, and to use these products with appropriate patient consent and in compliance with applicable law.

PAGA provides the opportunity for material to be presented for educational purposes only. The material represents the approach, ideas, statement, or opinion of the presenter and/or author, not necessarily the only or best method or procedure in every case or the position of the PAGA. The material is not intended to replace a physician's own judgment or give specific advice for case management. PAGA specifically disclaims any and all liability for injury or other damages of any kind for any and all claims that may arise out of the use of any technique demonstrated or described in any material by any presenter and/or author, whether such claims are asserted by a physician or any other person.

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Photography and video recordings of the scientific programme are permitted for personal and educational use only. Any photos or recordings of the scientific programme must not be shared, distributed, published, or posted on social media or any other public platform without the prior written consent of PAGA.

Target Audience

The target audience for the PAGA 2ND Bi-annual Meeting is glaucoma specialists, ophthalmologists, researchers, practicing physicians, ophthalmology residents, and fellows.

Exhibits

Please visit the exhibits and our sponsors during the breaks and before and after the conference.



His Excellency

BABAJIDE OLUSOLA SANWO-OLU

Governor of Lagos State

Welcome to Lagos, Nigeria. The Lagos State Government extends its heartfelt hospitality to every guest walking through our shores. We are committed to ensuring your stay is safe, seamless, and spectacular.



DR. (MRS) CLAUDIANA IBIJOKE SANWO-OLU

First Lady of Lagos State

SPECIAL GUEST OF HONOUR

Welcomes you to Lagos, Nigeria



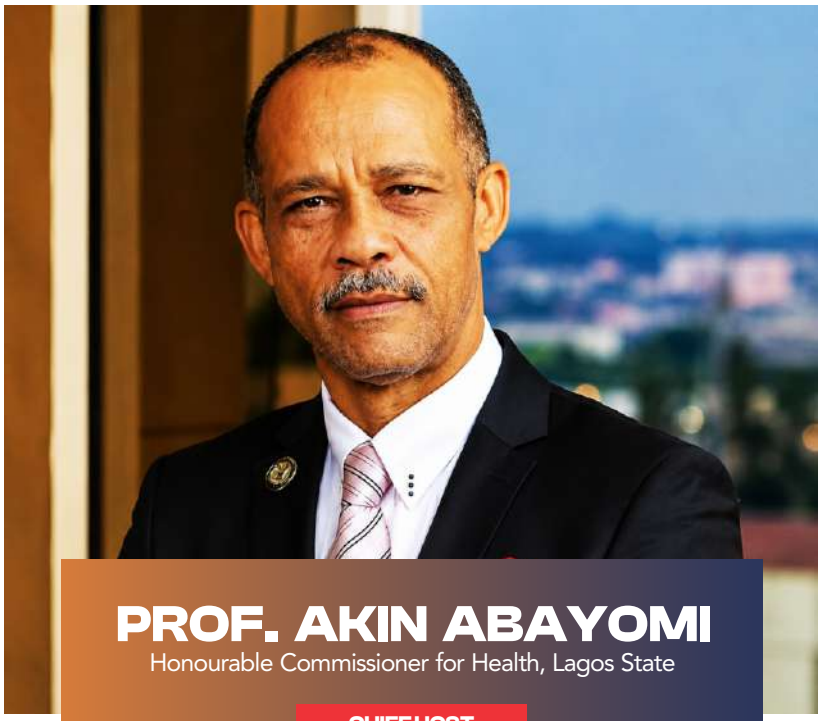
CHIEF (MRS) OLUREMI HAMZAT

Wife of Deputy Governor of Lagos State

SPECIAL GUEST OF HONOUR

Welcomes you to Lagos, Nigeria

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PROF. AKIN ABAYOMI
Honourable Commissioner for Health, Lagos State

CHIEF HOST



DR. OLUDAYO LAJIDE
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health Lagos State

SPECIAL GUEST

Welcomes you to Lagos, Nigeria

WELCOME ADDRESS

Dear Conference Attendees,

Welcome to the 2nd Meeting of the Pan African Glaucoma Congress in the historical Lagos, Nigeria!
Your PAGA Program Committee has curated a dynamic and engaging meeting that highlights the high caliber papers, posters, and symposia. Prepare to learn from leading experts and engage indiscussions across all aspects of our field, including these can't-miss sessions:

- Scientific Glaucoma Wet Lab
- Glaucoma Imaging and Monitoring Symposia
- Glaucoma Treatment Debates
- Cataract and Glaucoma Symposia
- Research Symposia / New Frontiers in Glaucoma
- Personalized Medicine in Glaucoma
- Secondary Glaucoma and Angle Closure

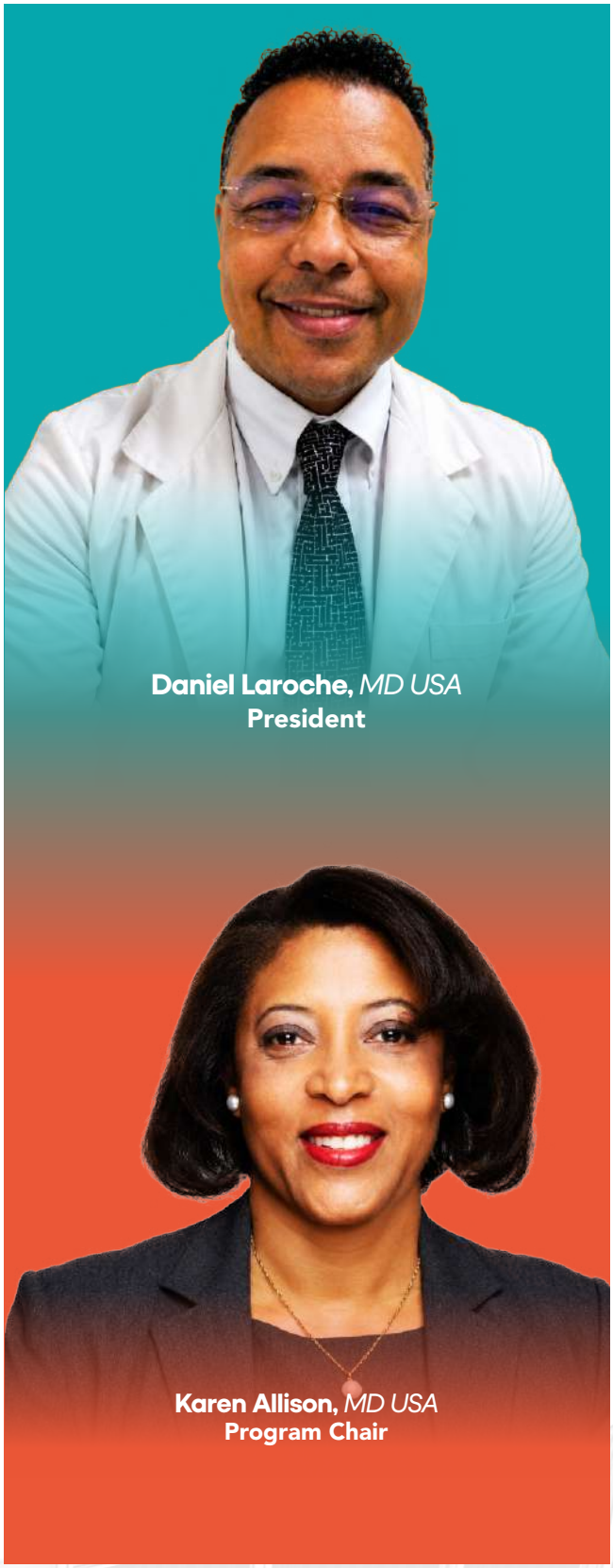
Lagos is rich in culture and history, and we are delighted that you are joining us as we honor our distinguished 2026 awardees:

- Lifetime Achievement Award – Professor Roy Wilson, MD, USA
- Honorary Glaucoma Surgical Lecture and Visionary Award – Dr. Adekunle Olubola Hasan, MD, Nigeria
- Mentorship Award – Girum Gessesse, MD, Ethiopia
- Lifetime Achievement Award – Professor Ajesola Majekodunmi, FWACS, FMCOpth

This is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with colleagues and build new relationships in a vibrant, resort-like setting. Be sure to set aside time to explore the city's remarkable attractions. Lagos offers an array of cultural and natural experiences, from the renowned Nike Art Gallery and historic Freedom Park to the bustling Balogun Market, known for its rich display of Nigerian arts, crafts, and fabrics. The Lekki Conservation Centre's canopy walkway and the serenebeaches of Tarkwa Bay provide peaceful escapes amidst the city's dynamic music and culinary
scenes.

Daniel Laroche, MD
President

Karen Allison, MD
Program Chair



Daniel Laroche, *MD USA*
President

Karen Allison, *MD USA*
Program Chair

GOODWILL MESSAGE

OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NIGERIA (OSN) PRESIDENT

It is with immense pleasure and profound honour that I extend warm greetings and heartfelt goodwill to all participants, distinguished faculty, invited guests, industry partners, and delegates attending the 2nd Pan African Glaucoma Association (PAGA) Conference.

On behalf of the Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria (OSN), I warmly welcome glaucoma specialists, ophthalmologists, researchers, scientists, trainees, and eye care professionals from across Africa and the diaspora to this historic and intellectually stimulating gathering.

The successful hosting of this second edition of the PAGA Conference in Nigeria marks another significant milestone in the collective African effort to address the growing burden of glaucoma, a disease that remains one of the leading causes of irreversible blindness globally, particularly on our continent.

I wish to commend the Pan-African Glaucoma Association (PAGA) for sustaining this laudable initiative following the highly successful inaugural conference in Accra, Ghana, in 2024. The transition from Accra to Lagos symbolises the strengthening of continental collaboration, scientific exchange, and professional solidarity in glaucoma care and research across Africa.

The Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria is particularly proud that the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria (GSN), one of the vibrant subspecialty groups under our umbrella, is hosting this prestigious conference. Their dedication, professionalism, and commitment to advancing glaucoma care, advocacy, education, and research are truly commendable.

This conference comes at a critical moment when Africa must continue to build stronger partnerships, develop innovative approaches, strengthen capacity, and promote evidence-based solutions to reduce glaucoma-related blindness. I am confident that the scientific sessions, panel discussions, instructional courses, research presentations, and collaborative engagements at this conference will significantly advance glaucoma practice and patient care across the continent.

Beyond the rich scientific programme, I encourage delegates to experience the warmth, culture, hospitality, and vibrant energy of Lagos, one of Africa's most dynamic cities.



As you deliberate, share knowledge, build networks, and foster collaboration, may this conference inspire renewed commitment to preventing avoidable blindness and preserving vision for millions of Africans.
I congratulate the Local Organising Committee, the leadership of the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria, and all partners whose tireless efforts have made this conference possible.

I wish all participants a successful, productive, and memorable conference.

Thank you and welcome to Lagos, Nigeria.

Dr Gloria Patrick-Ferife
President
Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria (OSN)

WELCOME MESSAGE, CHAIR GLAUCOMA SOCIETY OF NIGERIA (GSN)

Chairman

Distinguished President of PAGA; Esteemed Members of the PAGA Executive; our Keynote Speaker; Distinguished Guests; Respected Colleagues; Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is with immense honour and great pleasure that I welcome you, on behalf of the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria, to the vibrant city of Lagos for the Biennial Conference of the Pan African Glaucoma Association. We are deeply privileged to host this prestigious gathering of glaucoma experts, researchers, clinicians, scientists, and advocates from across Africa and around the world. We are particularly honoured by the presence of the President of PAGA, Dr Daniel Laroche, whose visionary leadership, unwavering commitment to advancing glaucoma care, and tireless advocacy for equity in eye health continue to inspire collaborations.

As we gather today, it is important that we acknowledge the remarkable individuals upon whose shoulders we stand. I pay special tribute to one of the icons of ophthalmology in Nigeria, Professor Ajesola Majekodunmi, whose distinguished career, exemplary leadership, and unwavering commitment to excellence have profoundly shaped ophthalmic practice in Nigeria. I also wish to recognise two outstanding pioneers of the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria. I welcome most heartily my dear teacher and mentor, Professor Adeyinka Ashaye, the founding Chairman of the GSN, a distinguished ophthalmologist whose exceptional contributions to glaucoma research, education, advocacy, and clinical service have advanced glaucoma care globally. I am equally privileged to welcome our esteemed keynote speaker, Professor Adeola Onakoya, a former Chairman of the GSN, whose distinguished scholarship, and unwavering dedication to patient care have advanced glaucoma management throughout Africa.

Distinguished colleagues, today we gather not merely as ophthalmologists, scientists, and healthcare professionals, but as a united community with a shared purpose—to confront one of Africa's greatest causes of irreversible blindness. This conference provides a unique platform to exchange ideas, present groundbreaking discoveries, challenge conventional thinking, and forge collaborations that will shape the future of glaucoma care in Africa.

To our distinguished faculty and delegates who have travelled from across Africa and beyond, thank you for honouring our invitation. Your presence is a powerful testament to our shared vision—that no African should lose sight from glaucoma because of delayed diagnosis, limited access to care, or socioeconomic disadvantage.

As your hosts, the GSN is delighted to welcome you to a nation renowned for its rich academic tradition, vibrant culture, warm hospitality, and resilient spirit. While we trust that you will enjoy an intellectually stimulating conference, we also encourage you to experience the warmth of Nigerian hospitality. Take time to savour some of our rich culinary delights—from the iconic amala with abula, to pounded yam with egusi soup, and, of course, our world-famous jollof rice, accompanied by deliciously prepared goat meat. We hope that your memories of Nigeria will extend well beyond the conference halls.

This conference would not have been possible without the dedication of many individuals. I express my profound appreciation to the President of the Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria Dr Gloria Ferife, the Local Organising Committee, expertly led by Professor Bola Adekoya, whose exceptional leadership, commitment, and meticulous attention to detail have made this meeting a reality. I also thank every member of the LOC for their tireless efforts. My sincere appreciation goes to the Programme Committee, chaired by Dr Karen Allison; the Scientific Committee, led by Professor Chimdi Chuka Okosa; our esteemed treasurer Prof Regina Morgan, our partners, sponsors, volunteers, and all those who have worked diligently behind the scenes. Your commitment and sacrifice have been truly remarkable.



PROFESSOR OLUSOLA OLAWOYE
Chairman, Glaucoma Society of Nigeria

Distinguished colleagues, the future of glaucoma care in Africa will be defined not only by the discoveries we make but by the partnerships we build and the actions we take together. Let this conference inspire bold ideas, meaningful collaborations, and renewed commitment to ensuring that no African loses vision unnecessarily from glaucoma.

Once again, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to Lagos, Nigeria, and to the 2026 PAGA Biennial Conference. I wish you a productive, enriching, and memorable meeting.

Thank you,

God bless the Pan African Glaucoma Association,

God bless the Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria, and the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria, and

God bless the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

WELCOME MESSAGE
PAGA 2026 LOC CHAIRMAN

Distinguished Guests, Esteemed Colleagues, Honourable Speakers, Industry Partners, Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Local Organizing Committee, it is my great pleasure and privilege to welcome you to Lagos, Nigeria, for the 2nd Pan African Glaucoma Association Conference (PAGA 2026). Whether you have travelled from across Africa, Europe, the Americas, Asia, or from various parts of Nigeria, we are delighted that you have chosen to join us for what promises to be an exceptional gathering of glaucoma professionals, researchers, educators, advocates, and industry partners united by a common goal: preserving sight and preventing blindness.

The theme of this year's conference, "Advocate, Educate, Transform: Unite for Glaucoma Awareness and Blindness Prevention," reflects our collective responsibility to address one of the leading causes of irreversible blindness in Africa and indeed the world. The burden of glaucoma on our continent remains disproportionately high, and the need for improved awareness, early detection, equitable access to care, research, and advocacy has never been greater.

Over the next few days, you will have the opportunity to participate in a rich scientific programme featuring wet labs, various scientific symposia, treatment debates, and industry presentations. The programme offers opportunities for learning, practical skills acquisition, collaboration, mentorship, networking, and the exchange of ideas that will shape the future of glaucoma care across Africa and beyond.

Many thanks to our LOC team for their dedication, passion, and hard work of making this conference a reality. Our appreciation also goes to our scientific committee, sponsors, donors, volunteers, and to every delegate who travelled to be with us. Your presence enriches this meeting and strengthens glaucoma care across the continent.

Beyond the scientific sessions, I encourage you to experience the rich culture and hospitality of Lagos, a city of energy, resilience, innovation, and endless possibilities. Planned tour sites include the renowned Nike Art Gallery, the Lekki Conservation Centre (with its canopy walkway, longest in Africa), Badagry tour (for a historical perspective), and the famous Fela's (Afrobeat legend) shrine. We understand that discussions about the "best jollof rice in Africa" can sometimes become as spirited as debates about MIGS versus trabeculectomy, but during your stay in Lagos, we trust that Nigerian jollof rice will make a strong case for itself!

Thank you for joining us. We are honoured to host you in Lagos and look forward to an inspiring, productive, and memorable conference.

Welcome to PAGA 2026. Welcome to Lagos. Welcome to Nigeria.
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Bola Adekoya, *MD*

PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION (PAGA)

Lifetime Achievement Award



DR. ROY WILSON, MD, USA



M. Roy Wilson, MD, MS, is a distinguished ophthalmologist, glaucoma specialist, academic physician, and university leader whose career has combined clinical innovation, research, education, and service to underserved communities. He earned his B.S. from Allegheny College, M.D. from Harvard Medical School, and M.S. in epidemiology from UCLA, followed by internship at Harlem Hospital Center, ophthalmology residency at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, and glaucoma fellowship at Harvard.

He has held major leadership roles in academic medicine, including Chair of Ophthalmology and Dean at Charles R. Drew University, Dean and Vice President for Health Sciences at Creighton University, President of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Chancellor of the University of Colorado Denver, Deputy Director at the NIH National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities, and President of Wayne State University. His academic appointments also span Harvard Medical School, UCLA, Creighton, Texas Tech, the University of Colorado Denver, and Wayne State University.

Dr. Wilson is nationally recognized for his work in glaucoma epidemiology, clinical trials, health disparities, and the role of race and ethnicity in eye disease. He has been a principal investigator or co-investigator on numerous federally funded studies, including the Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study and multiple population-based glaucoma investigations, and he has authored extensive peer-reviewed publications, invited commentaries, and book chapters in ophthalmology and public health.

His influence extends well beyond medicine into institutional leadership, diversity in the biomedical workforce, and health equity policy. He has served on major NIH, FDA, and professional advisory committees, helped shape national conversations on diversity and access in health professions, and has been widely honored for leadership, scholarship, and community service.

PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION (PAGA)

Lifetime Achievement Award



PROF. AJESOLA MAJEKODUNMI, FWACS, FMCOpth

Born on Sunday 5th November 1940 in Lagos to Prince Alfred Awokoya Adebayo and Olori Jemima Olaboopo SOLARIN from Sagamu. Father was a teacher and Administrator at Nigerian Railway Corporation, and Mother was a Teacher. She attended the Prestigious Methodist Girls High School, Yaba, where she passed out in Grade 1, WASC in 1957. Her University Education was at University of Lagos College of Medicine. She was the Only Female of the 28 foundation Students, and the 1st female Medical Graduate of UNILAG in 1962.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER. After Graduation, Ajesola joined the Staff of LUTH. She was soon awarded an in-service training Scholarship to study Ophthalmology at the Institute of Ophthalmology, and Moorefield Eye Hospital, London. Her outside Posting was at the Courage Laboratory, Royal Eye Hospital under Mr Alan Friedman (of the Friedman Visual Field Analyser). That was the beginning of her Interest in Glaucoma and Training.
She returned to LUTH in 1972 to build up an Eye Clinic and train Medical Students.

CAREER IN GLAUCOMA - Her interest in Glaucoma continued at LUTH where she started the Glaucoma Clinic. She had further training with Clinical attachment Sponsored by British Council at Bristol Eye Infirmary under Mr Marmion, whom she later sent some of her trainees to for further research. Ajesola was offered a sponsorship for 1 year Sabbatical Leave at the Experimental Eye Department, The University of Liverpool in 2004 to work with ELECTRON MICROSCOPE STUDYING THE STRUCTURE OF THE DRAINAGE ANGLE IN NIGERIANS . The Result of the Study was presented as her Faculty Lecture Titled "AQUEOUS FLOW IN POAG". Other Research interests was shown in Oculoplastics by her Clinical Attachment under Mr Beard (the Doyen of Oculoplastics) at the University of California, San Francisco. USA.

ACADEMIC CAREER - Prof Majekodunmi rose through the "Ranks" with her appointments as a Lecturer Grade 1, CMUL and Honorary Consultant Ophthalmologist LUTH in 1975 to occupy the 1st Chair of Ophthalmology, University of Lagos in 1990. Soon after her professorship , She became the first female Head of Surgery in Nigeria. In 2000 she became the 1st Female Ophthalmology President of NPGMC.

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES Prof Majekodunmi belongs to many professional Societies including NMA , Foundation Member CMUL, Alumni , Foundation Member PAOS , Oxford Oph Society, American Acad of Ophthalmology to mention a few.



AWARDS - SHE has won several Awards eg Special Merit award by OSN for Dev of Ophthalmology in Nig.
Award for Professional Achievements by MGHS,OGA . International Who is Who of Professional and Business women Award (USA)for significant Career Achievement . MWAN for Exemplary Leadership . To mention a few.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES. Prof Ajesola Majekodunmi is a Committed Methodist and has served the Church both Nationally and internationally. She was awarded The highest honour that can be given to a Laity, in Methodist Church Nig i,e Knight of John Wesley, KJW, hence her title Dame. She has been honoured with many Chieftaincy titles in Nigeria .

SHE IS THE FOUNDER OF AN NGO, AJESOLA SOLARIN MAJEKODUNMI (ASMAF) for Female Empowerment through Education. She is also the Founder and Medical Director of SAJATO Eye Hospital, SURULERE.
She sits on many Boards and is TRUSTEE of many.

FAMILY LIFE - Prof Ajesola Majekodunmi is married to Chief Col(Rtd) Dr S Adekunle Majekodunmi and blessed with 3sons, (one of them an ophthalmologist), and 4 grandchildren. She has travelled extensively to nearly all parts of the world Her hobbies include Cooking, Reading, travelling and WOMEN EMPOWERMENT /LEADERSHIP THROUGH EDUCATION.

HONORARY GLAUCOMA SURGICAL LECTURE/ Pan African Glaucoma Association (PAGA) Visionary Award



Dr. Kunle Hassan is an international acclaimed, Ophthalmic Surgeon with wide experience in Vitreo-Retina Surgery, Glaucoma, Anterior Segment, Cataract and Ocular Plastic Surgery. He graduated from the College of Medicine, University of Lagos, Nigeria in 1976. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeon, Glasgow, UK, Fellow of the Royal College of Ophthalmologist, UK, Fellow of the West African College of Surgeons, Fellow of the World College of Refractive Surgeons and Fellow of the Nigeria Institute of Cost Management.

His training and experience span over Europe, America, Middle East and Africa. He established the Eye Foundation Hospital as the first Private Post-graduate Training institution in Nigeria in 1993 and The Deseret Community Vision Institute in 2006, which is now The Kunle Hassan Eye Foundation Institute. These two institutions have trained over 50 Ophthalmologists Fellows, 100 Community Ophthalmic Nurses and Other middle manpower ophthalmic professionals. He is the pioneer leader of Modern Ophthalmological Practice including Vitreo-Retinal Surgery and Refractive Surgery in Nigeria. Dr. Hassan revolutionized Eye Health Care through Private-Public-Partnership, making quantitative and qualitative Eye care available for both the rich and less privilege. He pioneered the first Private Group Practice in Ophthalmology in Nigeria.

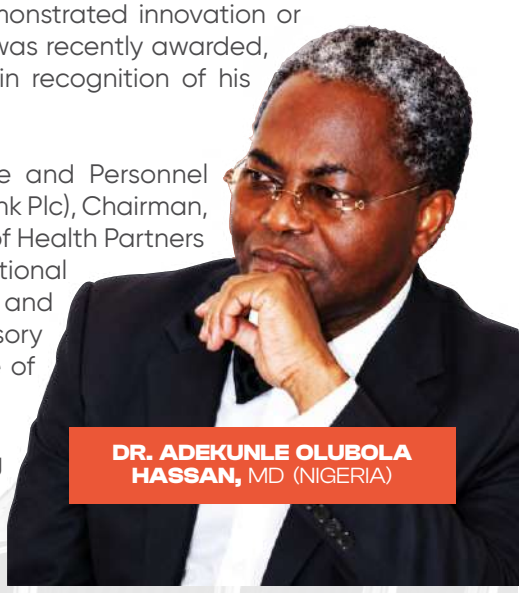
He is the Executive Chairman and CMD of the Eye Foundation Hospitals Group, a former Board member of the International Council of Ophthalmology, a member of the International Ophthalmology Council Emeritus Group, Council Member of International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness and Founding President of the African Ophthalmology Council.

He has over 100 publications, scientific papers and research papers to his honour. He has over the years received more than 30 academic, professional and society awards for his contribution towards different sphere of life. He was awarded the Rotary Paul Harris Award for the recognition of his contribution to the Rotary eye care projects in Nigeria, even though he is not a Rotarian. He was recently given the reputable Paracecius Award in Germany by the European Business Association, in recognition of the Eye Foundation Social Entrepreneurship Business Model in Eye Care in Nigeria. He is an Otunba of Awujale of Ijebu land. The Eye Foundation Hospital Group has won the Best Eye Care Provider in Nigeria for the past 9 consecutive years 2016-2025.

Dr. Kunle Hassan is an astute businessman, an entrepreneur and an educationist per excellence. Dr Hassan was the first African to receive ICO the Mark Tso Golden Apple Award, for demonstrated innovation or exceptional achievements in Ophthalmic Education in September 2019. He was recently awarded, D.Sc. (Honoraria Causa) by the Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ogun State in recognition of his immense contribution to healthcare development in Nigeria.

His other corporate appointments include Chairman Board Governance and Personnel Committee and Board Member of Diamond Bank Plc, Nigeria. now (Access Bank Plc), Chairman, Board of Directors Summit Healthcare Group of Companies, Board member of Health Partners (HMO), Board member of Global Business Ally Foundation, Deseret International Hospital, Impact Alliance Network (Dubai, UEA) and Chairman SHEDCo Ltd. UK and SHECO Premium Ltd. He is the Chairman of the Lagos Business School, Advisory Board on Healthcare Initiatives. He is the Current. Chairman of the College of Medicine University of Lagos, Board of Governors.

His present special interest is in Community Eye Health, Upscaling Sustainability of Eye Care Training and Management through the establishment of a Professorial Chair in Ophthalmology and the establishment of the KHEFA International Institute of Eye Health. He is a quiet Philanthropist. Happily married with 3 children.



DR. ADEKUNLE OLUBOLA HASSAN, MD (NIGERIA)

PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA ASSOCIATION (PAGA)

Mentorship Award



GIRUM WOLDEGEBREAL GESSESSE,
MD, Ethiopia FCOph-ECSA



Dr. Girum WoldeGebreal Gessesse, MD, FCOphth-ECSA is an Associate Professor of Ophthalmology and a Glaucoma Subspecialist at St. Paul's Hospital Millennium Medical College (SPHMMC) and WGGA Eye Center in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
He received his MD from the University of Gondar and completed his ophthalmology residency at Addis Ababa University. In 2013, he undertook subspecialty fellowship training in Glaucoma at the University of Alberta, Canada.

Dr. Girum has held several leadership positions, including immediate Past President and Executive Committee Member of the Ophthalmological Society of Ethiopia (OSE), where he previously served as Vice President. He is a member of the Bylaw Committee of the Pan African Glaucoma Association (PAGA) and a Fellow of the College of Ophthalmology of Eastern, Central and Southern Africa (COECSA), where he serves on the Examination Committee as well as the Scientific and Congress Committee. He has also represented OSE as a member of the Executive Committee of the National Eye Health Advisory Council (NEHAC) of the Federal Ministry of Health, Ethiopia.

Since 2010, Dr. Girum has been actively involved in training ophthalmology residents, medical students, health officers, and cataract surgeons. He served as fellowship co-director for the sandwich-model glaucoma fellowship training program between the University of Michigan and SPHMMC in 2020. He previously served as Head of the Ophthalmology Department at SPHMMC and as Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology at Jimma University. He is registered and licensed as a Senior Expert Medical Specialist in Ophthalmology-Glaucoma by the Ethiopian Food and Drug Administration.

His surgical expertise encompasses a wide range of procedures, including laser and incisional glaucoma surgeries (trabeculectomy with MMC, Ahmed Glaucoma Valve, ClearPath, AADI), combined phacotrabeculectomy, MIGS, childhood glaucoma surgeries, and cataract surgery.

Dr. Girum maintains an active interest in clinical and community-based research. He has published numerous articles in international peer-reviewed journals and has contributed to training manuals, curricula, and management guidelines. His recent research—a genetic study on pseudoexfoliation syndrome and glaucoma in Ethiopian adults—has confirmed the association of a LOXL1 sequence variant with pseudoexfoliation syndrome in the Ethiopian Black population (manuscript submitted for publication). He also serves as reviewer for various local and international journals.

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

CONFERENCE DAY ONE: THURSDAY, JULY 16TH, 2026		
8:00 AM - 10:20 AM	WET LAB DIDACTIC SESSION WET LAB COMMITTEE	
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM	10 MINS	BREAK
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	2 HRs	**Wet Lab Practical 1** Moderators: AM Dr. Adunola Ogunro (Nigeria), Dr. Shiweobi Obinna (Nigeria), Karen Allison, MD (USA), Jeremie Agre, MD (Cote D'Ivoire)
12:30 PM -1:30 PM	1 HR	LUNCH / NON-CME EVENT
1:30 PM -5:00 PM	3 HRS	**Wet Lab Practical 2** Moderator PM - Dr Bola Adekoya (Nigeria), Dr Daniel Laroche (USA), Dr Philip Phatudi MD (South Africa), Enitan Sogbesan, MD (Canada)
5:00 PM -6:30 PM	1 HR 30 MINS	Meet and Greet/PAGA Membership meeting for members only, and Business Meeting
CONFERENCE DAY TWO: FRIDAY, JULY 17TH, 2026		
8:00 AM - 8:40 AM	40 MINS	**Glaucoma Imaging and Treatment Symposium** Moderators: Dr Adeola Onakoya (Nigeria), Dr Enitan Sogbesan (Canada)
8:40 AM - 8:50 AM		BREAK
8:50 AM - 9.40 AM	50 MINS	**Glaucoma Imaging in Monitoring the Glaucoma Patient** Moderators: Dr Ajesola Majekodunmi (Nigeria) and Dr Amaka Okorie (Nigeria)
9.40 AM - 9.45 AM	5 MINS	BREAK
9:45 AM - 10:40 AM	55 MINS	**Glaucoma Treatment Debate** Moderators: Dr Shiweobi Obinna (Nigeria) and Dr Eniolami Dosunmu (USA)
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11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	**1 HR 30 MINS**	**Opening Ceremony: PAGA and Glaucoma Society of Nigeria**
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1.00 PM - 1.50 PM	50 MINS	**GLAUCOMA SURGICAL PROCEDURES** Moderators: Regina Morgan (Nigeria) and Dr Jeremie Agre (Ivory Coast)
1.50 PM - 2:20 PM	30 MINS	**Cataract and Glaucoma Symposium 1** Moderators: Dr Girum Gessesse (Ethiopia) and Dr Philip Phatudi, MD (South Africa)
2:20 PM - 2:30 PM	10 MINS	BREAK
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM	50 MINS	**Cataract and Glaucoma Symposium 2** Moderators: Dr Idris Saka (Nigeria) and Dr Daniel Laroche (USA)
3:20 PM - 4:10 PM	50 MINS	**Surgical Glaucoma Treatment Debate** Moderators: Dr Amaka Okorie (Nigeria) and Dr Eydie Miller-Ellis (USA)
4:10 PM- 4:20 PM	10 MINS	BREAK
4:20 PM - 5:00 PM	40 MINS	**Managing Challenges in Glaucoma Surgery** Moderators: Dr Chidinma Onyejekwe (Nigeria)and Dr Monique Barbour (USA)
5:00 PM - 5:40 PM	45 MINS	Honorary Lecture / Awards
5:45 PM -7:00 PM	1 HR 15 MINS	**Break for Cultural Dinner**
7:00 PM-8:30 PM	1 HR 30 MINS	**Dinner /Cultural Program**
CONFERENCE DAY THREE: SATURDAY, JULY 18TH 2026		
7:00 AM - 8:30 AM	1 HR 30 MINS	Research Poster Display
8:30 AM - 10:10 AM	1 HR 40 MINS	**Research symposium 1–(Presentation of ALL abstracts, 6.5 mins each)** Moderators: Dr Olusola Olawoye and Dr Chimidi Chuka-Okosa (Nigeria)
10:10 AM - 11:00 AM	50 MINS	**Research Symposium 2** Moderators: Dr Deji Akinyemi (Nigeria) and Dr Affiong Ibanga (Nigeria)
11:00 AM - 11:25 AM	25 MINS	**Break**
11:25 AM – 12.15 PM	50 MINS	**Research and Public Health Honorary Lecture**
12:15 PM - 1:00 PM	45 MINS	**LUNCH / NON – CME EVENT**
		New Frontier in Glaucoma
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	1 HR	**Beyond The Exam Room** Moderators: Dr Maryam Abdullahi (Nigeria) and Dr Karen Allison (USA)
2:00 PM - 2.10 PM	10 MINS	**BREAK**
2:10 PM - 2:50 PM	40 MINS	**Personalized Medicine in Glaucoma** Moderators: Dr Idris Saka (Nigeria) and Dr Monique Barbour (USA)
2:50 PM - 3:40 PM	50 MINS	**Managing Complex Glaucoma** Moderators: Dr Chidinma Onyejewe (Nigeria) and Dr Elizabeth Awoyesuku (Nigeria)
3:40 PM - 4:20 PM	45 MINS	**CASE PRESENTATIONS** Moderators: Dr Eydie Miller-Ellis (USA) and Dr Adeola Onakoya (Nigeria)
4:20 PM - 5.20 PM	1 HR	**NON-CME EVENT**
5:20 PM - 6:00 PM	40 MINS	The End / CLOSING REMARKS

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

2nd PAN AFRICAN GLAUCOMA CONGRESS IN LAGOS, NIGERIA

TIME	DURATION	SESSION	PRESENTER
CONFERENCE DAY ONE: THURSDAY, JULY 16TH, 2026			
8:00 AM - 10:20 AM	WET LAB DIDACTIC SESSION WET LAB COMMITTEE		
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	30 MINS	Overview Principles of Trabeculectomy: Patient Selection and Surgical Techniques	Dr Enitan Sogbesan, MD (Canada)
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	30 MINS	Overview Principles of Glaucoma Drainage Device Surgery: Surgical Techniques, Valved and Non-Valved, Patient Selection and Post Op Management	Dr Philip Phatudi, MD (South Africa)
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	30 MINS	Managing Cataract and Glaucoma Surgery: Complications and Management	Jeremie Agre, MD (Côte D'ivoire) - Ivory Coast
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	30 MINS	Migs - Types, Patient Selection, Surgical Techniques, Complications and Management	Karen Allison, MD (USA)
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	20 MINS	Questions and Discussions	
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM	10 MINS	BREAK	
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5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	1 HR 30 MINS	Meet and Greet/PAGA Membership meeting for members only, and Business Meeting	
CONFERENCE DAY TWO: FRIDAY, JULY 17TH, 2026			
		MEDICAL	
8:00 AM - 8:40 AM	40 MINS	**Glaucoma Imaging and Treatment Symposium** Moderators: Dr Adeola Onakoya (Nigeria), Dr Enitan Sogbesan (Canada)	
8:00 AM - 8:10 AM	10 MINS	Glaucoma Diagnosis: Using Testing and Risk Factors to Diagnose Glaucoma	Dr Philip Phatudi (South Africa)
8:10 AM - 8:20 AM	10 MINS	Glaucoma Treatment Trials: An Overview	Dr Karen Allison (USA)
8:20 AM - 8:30 AM	10 MINS	Barriers to Glaucoma Care in Sub-Saharan Africa	Dr Elizabeth Awoyesuku (Nigeria)
8:30 AM - 8:40 AM	10 MINS	Questions	
8:40 AM - 8:50 AM		BREAK	
8:50 AM - 9.40 AM	50 MINS	**Glaucoma Imaging in Monitoring the Glaucoma Patient** Moderators: Dr Ajesola Majekodunmi (Nigeria) and Dr Amaka Okorie (Nigeria)	
8:50 AM - 9.00 AM	10 MINS	Evaluation of VF and progression past, present and future advances	Dr Tarela Sarimiye (Nigeria)
9.00 AM - 9:10 AM	10 MINS	OCT Progression: How do you read and interpret progression	Dr Olusola Olawoye (Nigeria)

9:10 AM - 9:20 AM	10 MINS	Pathways for glaucoma care in SSA: Advocacy and Policy	Dr Chimdi Chuka-Okosa (Nigeria)
9:20 AM - 9:30 AM	10 MINS	Discussion	
9:30 AM - 9:40 AM	10 MINS	Questions	
9.40 AM - 9.45 AM	5 MINS	BREAK	
9:45 AM - 10:40 AM	55 MINS	**Glaucoma Treatment Debate** Moderators: Dr Shiweobi Obinna (Nigeria) and Dr Eniolami Dosunmu (USA)	
9:45 AM - 10.00 AM	15 MINS	SLT vs Drops: Dr. Idris Saka (Nigeria) and Dr Affiong Ibanga (Nigeria) - 7 mins each	
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	15 MINS	Questions and discussion	
10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	15 MINS	Brand vs Generic Drops (usage in Africa) Dr Deji Akinyemi (Nigeria) and Dr Jeremie Agre (Ivory Coast) - 7 mins each	
10:30 AM - 10:40 AM	10 MINS	Questions	
10:40 AM – 11:00 AM	20 MINS	Break	
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	**1 HR 30 MINS**	**Opening Ceremony: PAGA and Glaucoma Society of Nigeria**	
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	30 MINS	LUNCH	
		Surgery	
1.00 PM - 1.50 PM	50 MINS	**GLAUCOMA SURGICAL PROCEDURES** Moderators: Regina Morgan (Nigeria) and Dr Jeremie Agre (Ivory Coast)	
1:00 PM - 1:10 PM	10 MINS	Can Africa afford stent?	Dr Adunola Ogunro (Nigeria)
1:10 PM - 1:20 PM	10 MINS	Surgical decision making in Africa	Dr Bola Adekoya (Nigeria)
1:20 PM - 1:30 PM	10 MINS	Nanotechnology in Glaucoma Surgery: VisiPlate Aqueous Shunt 2-Year Data	Dr Eydie Miller-Ellis (USA)
1:30 PM - 1:40 PM	10 MINS	Novel retrobulbar tube Technique	Dr Daniel Laroche (USA)
1:40 PM - 1:50 PM	10 MINS	Questions	
1.50 PM - 2:20 PM	30 MINS	**Cataract and Glaucoma Symposium 1** Moderators: Dr Girum Gessesse (Ethiopia) and Dr Philip Phatudi, MD (South Africa)	
1.50 PM - 2:00 PM	10 MINS	Cataract and Migs - what works best in the African Patient	Dr Enitan Sogbesan (Canada)
2.00 PM - 2:10 PM	10 MINS	Migs and the Comprehensive Ophthalmologist	Dr Rashed Nizam (USA)
2.10 PM - 2:20 PM	10 MINS	Questions and Answers	
2:20 PM - 2:30 PM	10 MINS	BREAK	
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM	50 MINS	**Cataract and Glaucoma Symposium 2** Moderators: Dr Idris Saka (Nigeria) and Dr Daniel Laroche (USA)	
2:30 PM - 2:40 PM	10 MINS	Cataract in the Glaucoma Patient	Dr Philip Phatudi (South Africa)
2:40 PM - 2:50 PM	10 MINS	Managing small pupil in cataract surgery	Dr Tokunbo Obajolowo (Nigeria)
2:50 PM - 3:00 PM	10 MINS	Managing the virtues for anterior segment surgeons	Dr Adekunle Olubola Hassan (Nigeria)
3:00 PM - 3:10 PM	10 MINS	Panel Discussion	
3:10 PM - 3:20 PM	10 MINS	Questions	
3:20 PM - 4:10 PM	50 MINS	**Surgical Glaucoma Treatment Debate** Moderators: Dr Amaka Okorie (Nigeria) and Dr Eydie Miller-Ellis (USA)	
3.20 PM - 3:30 PM	10 MINS	Trabeculectomy vs Tubes - 5 mins each Dr Girum Gessesse (Ethiopia) vs Dr Tarela Sarimiye (Nigeria)	

3:30 PM - 3:40 PM	10 MINS	Cataract and Migs vs Cataract and Trabeculectomy in the African Patient – 5 mins each Dr Tokunbo Obajolowo, MD (Nigeria) vs Dr Shiweobi Obinna (Nigeria)	
3:40 PM - 3:50 PM	10 MINS	Cataract surgery for early glaucoma for and against - 5 mins each Dr Daniel Laroche (USA) vs Dr Affiong Ibanga (Nigeria)	
3:50 PM - 4:00 PM	10 MINS	Combined cataract and glaucoma surgery in the African patient - 5 mins each Dr Abdullahi Sadiq (Nigeria) and Dr Rebecca Nandasaba (Kenya)	
4:00 PM - 4:10 PM	10 MINS	Open discussion and question	
4:10 PM- 4:20 PM	10 MINS	**Break**	
4:20 PM - 5:00 PM	40 MINS	**Managing Challenges in Glaucoma Surgery** Moderators: Dr Chidinma Onyejekwe (Nigeria)and Dr Monique Barbour (USA)	
4:20 PM - 4:30 PM	10 MINS	Congenital Glaucoma- Goniotomy vs Trabeculotomy	Dr Eniolami Dosunmu (USA)
4:30 PM - 4:40 PM	10 MINS	Trabeculectomy and tube shunts in Children	Dr Dziffa Bella Ofori-Adjei (Ghana)
4:40 PM - 4:50 PM	10 MINS	Trabeculotomy Plus in Primary Congenital Glaucoma	Dr Abdullah Sadiq (Nigeria)
4:50 PM - 5:00 PM	10 MINS	Open discussion and question	
5:00 PM - 5:45 PM	45 MINS	Honorary Lecture / Awards	
5:00 PM - 5:15 PM	15 MINS	Honorary Glaucoma Surgical Lecture	Dr Adekunle Olubola Hassan, MD Nigeria
			Introduction by
5:15 PM - 5:20 PM	5 MINS	Visionary Award: Dr Adekunle Olubola Hassan, MD	Elizabeth Awoyesuku
5:20 PM - 5:25 PM	5 MINS	Mentorship Award: Girum W Gessesse, MD, FCOph-ECSA	Dr Philip Phatudi (South Africa)
5:25 PM - 5:30 PM	5 MINS	Lifetime Achievement Award: Prof. Ajesola Majekodunmi	Bola Adekoya
5:30 PM – 5:45 PM	15 MINS	Lecture and Lifetime Achievement Award: Roy Wilson, MD: Remote Acceptance.	Karen Allison, MD
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM	1 HR 15 MINS	**Break for Cultural Dinner**	
7:00 PM- 8:30 PM	1 HR 30 MINS	**Dinner /Cultural Program**	
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8:30 AM - 9:50 AM	1 HR 20 MINS	1. Management of Congenital Glaucoma: A Case-Based Review at a Tertiary Referral Center in Mwanza, Tanzania	Ryan Frisbie
		2. Evaluation of Central Visual Field Reports of patients that presented to Federal Teaching Hospital, Birnin Kebbi Northwest Nigeria	Saka Eletu Sadiat
		3. Laroche Glaucoma Risk Calculator for screening in Nigeria: A Cross-Sectional Study.	Kalambe AS
		4. Effect of Fasting on Intraocular Pressure of Healthy Adults in Northwest Nigeria	Sadiat Saka Eletu
		5. Three-year efficacy and safety of Transcleral Cyclophotocoagulation in Refractory Glaucoma at a Nigerian Tertiary Center.	Omotoyosi Odubela
		6. Beyond the classroom: A decade of functional vision rehabilitation for glaucoma blind students in Nigeria-Outcomes from the Lens Rehabilitation Foundation for the Blind (2015-2026)	Adedayo Adio
		7. Microsherophakia with secondary Glaucoma: A Case Report of Two Siblings.	Tokunbo Obajolowo
		8. Impact of Screening First degree relatives of Primary Open Angle Glaucoma Patients on Early Diagnosis – A Systematic Review	Ibitola Enesi

		9. Overview of the HelpMeSee MSICS Simulation Training and experience in Nigeria	Tolulope Agbana
		10. Extreme Buphthalmos in Primary Congenital Glaucoma: Clinical Characteristics, Predictors of Delay, and Outcomes in Nigerian Infants	Adedayo Omobolanle Adio
		11. Safety and Efficacy of a Cataract extraction with Modified Ahmed ClearPath 250 Retrobulbar/Intraconal Glaucoma Drainage Device Implantation with Inferior Sclerotomy in Patient with Advanced Glaucoma: A 1-year Retrospective Study	Louis Aghanwa
		12. Intersecting Epidemics and Systemic Gaps: The Rising Burden of Diabetes, Diabetic Retinopathy, and Glaucoma in Sub-Saharan Africa	Karen Allison
9:50 AM - 10:10 AM	20 MINS	Questions	
10:10 AM - 11:00 AM	50 MINS	**Research Symposium 2** Moderators: Dr Deji Akinyemi (Nigeria) and Dr Affiong Ibanga (Nigeria)	
10:10 AM - 10:20 AM	10 MINS	Ethics in Research	Dr Shiweobi Obinna (Nigeria)
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM	10 MINS	How do we develop evidence-based protocols to influence policy and advocacy?	Dr Adeola Onakoya (Nigeria)
10:30 AM - 10:40 AM	10 MINS	How to get your research funded	Dr Fatima Kyari (Nigeria) and Dr Enitan Sogbesan (Canada)
10:40 AM - 10:50 AM	10 MINS	Collaboration and Mentorship in Research	Dr Affiong Ibanga (Nigeria)
10:50 AM - 11:00 AM	10 MINS	Questions	
11:00 AM - 11:25 AM	25 MINS	**Break**	
11:25 AM – 12.15 PM	50 MINS	**Research and Public Health Honorary Lecture**	
11:25 AM - 11:40 AM	15 MINS	Research and Public Health Lecture	Dr Oteri (Nigeria)
11:40 AM - 11:55 AM	15 MINS	How do we Navigate Medicine in an AI world	Jeannice Fairrer Samani, PhD, MBA, MCP, MED, CSM (USA)
11:55 AM - 12:05 PM	10 MINS	Questions	
12:05 PM - 12:15 PM	10 MINS	Photograph of Participants	
12:15 PM - 1:00 PM	45 MINS	**LUNCH / NON – CME EVENT**	
		New Frontier in Glaucoma	
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	1 HR	**Beyond The Exam Room**	
		Moderators: Dr Maryam Abdullahi (Nigeria) and Dr Karen Allison (USA)	
1:00 PM - 1:10 PM	10 MINS	Managing the difficult Glaucoma Patient - How do we increase compliance and quality of life	Dr Jeremie Agre (Ivory Coast)
1:10 PM - 1:20 PM	10 MINS	Glaucoma Screening, what works? - 10 mins	Dr. Nkiru Kizor (Nigeria)
1:20 PM - 1:30 PM	10 MINS	Family Dynamics in Glaucoma Management	Dr Nathaniel Godswill (Nigeria)
1:30 PM - 1:40 PM	10 MINS	Multi-specialty collaboration in glaucoma management	Dr Enitan Sogbesan (Canada)
1:40 PM - 1.50 PM	10 MINS	Genetics in Glaucoma: Eye on Africa	Dr. Olusola Olawoye
1:50 PM - 2:00 PM	10 MINS	Questions	
2:00 PM - 2.10 PM	10 MINS	**BREAK**	
2:10 PM - 2:50 PM	40 MINS	**Personalized Medicine in Glaucoma** Moderators: Dr Idris Saka (Nigeria) and Dr Monique Barbour (USA)	

2:10 PM - 2:20 PM	10 MINS	Sustained Drug Delivery System in Africa	Dr Maryann Abdullah (Nigeria)
2:20 PM - 2:30 PM	10 MINS	Improving Glaucoma Care in the African Setting	Dr Nuru Mwambola/ Dr Neema Daniel (Tanzania)
2:30 PM - 2:40 PM	10 MINS	Overcoming the barriers to sustainable eye care delivery in Africa	Dr Selben Penzin (Nigeria)
2:40 PM - 2:50 PM	10 MINS	Questions	
2:50 PM - 3:40 PM	50 MINS	**Managing Complex Glaucoma** Moderators: Dr Chidinma Onyejewe (Nigeria) and Dr Elizabeth Awoyesuku (Nigeria)	
2:50 PM - 3:00 PM	10 MINS	Anesthesia in the Glaucoma Patient	Dr Daryl Smith (USA)
3:00 PM - 3:10 PM	10 MINS	Uveitic Glaucoma/ Steroid induced glaucoma in Africa	Dr Shiweobi Obinna (Nigeria)
3:10 PM - 3:20 PM	10 MINS	Overview of the HelpMeSee MSICS Simulation Training and experience in Nigeria	Dr Tolulope Agbana (Nigeria)
3:20 PM - 3:30 PM	10 MINS	Creating your own Surgical Center	Dr Monique Barbour (USA)
3:30 PM - 3:40 PM	10 MINS	Questions	
3:40 PM - 4:20 PM	45 MINS	**CASE PRESENTATIONS** Moderators: Dr Eydie Miller-Ellis (USA) and Dr Adeola Onakoya (Nigeria)	
3:40 PM - 4:00 PM	20 MINS	Case Presentation: 3 cases for discussion - 5 mins each	
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OPENING

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4. **Entertainment & Performances -**
   - Cultural Dance Troupe
5. **Dinner Service**
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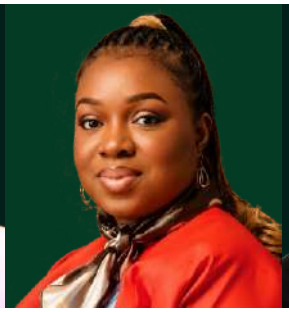
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She has published in peer-reviewed journals and presented her work at scientific conferences. Through her clinical practice, research, and professional development activities, she is committed to advancing glaucoma care and evidence-based ophthalmology in Nigeria and across Africa.



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on its genetics, epidemiology, and public health impact. I have led and contributed to several major international collaborative studies, including the Eyes of Africa, Eyeonic, GGLAD, and multicentre STAGE studies, which have advanced current understanding of glaucoma among Africans. My work has attracted prestigious research support, including funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), as well as CARTA and DfE fellowships. Notably, I was the first indigenous African recipient of the Shaffer Glaucoma Grant. With over 95 peer-reviewed publications, my research continues to contribute to the evidence base informing global glaucoma policy, clinical practice, and eye health guidelines.

I have also held several important leadership positions, including Chair of the Glaucoma Society of Nigeria, Vice President of the Pan African Glaucoma Association and I have represented Africa within the World Glaucoma Association as member of the Board of Governors. I remain deeply committed to advancing academic excellence, healthcare leadership, mentorship, institutional development, and community outreach services for underserved populations.



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Dr Enesi has published some articles in reputable journals. Her current research examines the impact of screening first degree relatives of POAG patients on early diagnosis. She is a member of the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh and a fellow of the International Council of Ophthalmology, West African College of Surgeons and National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria.

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She is honored to serve as a co-moderator at the upcoming PAGA Conference and looks forward to contributing to insightful and impactful discussions.



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Her expertise includes AI governance, intelligent clinical support systems, data-driven operational strategy, and human-centered technology implementation designed to function effectively in complex and resource-variable environments.
At the PAGA Conference, Dr. Samani contributes a strategic perspective on the future of AI in ophthalmologic and perioperative care, emphasizing ethical innovation, adaptive monitoring systems, healthcare equity, and resilient healthcare infrastructure that supports both clinicians and patients.



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She also authored the book titled PRACTICAL REFRACTION FOR NEW RESIDENTS IN OPHTHALMOLOGY, now in its second edition, a book which is used in the residency training programme in the West African Sub-region. She has also co-authored chapters in professional books. Chimdi is a recipient of the prestigious British Chevening Scholarship by which she undertook the MSc programme in Community Eye Health (now known as the Public Health For Eye Care) from 1994-1995. She has received several awards.



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He is particularly focused on studying the long-term outcomes of glaucoma interventions and on improving diagnostic accuracy for his patients. He is deeply committed to developing innovative, family-based screening models. By prioritising early detection, he aims to improve glaucoma management among high-risk populations and address the unique eye-care challenges faced by his community.

Throughout his career, he has remained a dedicated mentor to the next generation of ophthalmologists. He continues to prioritise the development of sustainable, accessible eye care solutions, ensuring that his clinical contributions have a lasting positive impact on patient outcomes.



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Her interests include adolescent and juvenile glaucoma, glaucoma genetics in Black populations, trabeculectomy surgery, and visual rehabilitation for patients with advanced glaucoma.

Passionate about education and capacity building, she mentors ophthalmology residents preparing for postgraduate examinations.
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She later became a trabeculectomy trainer within the same programme and has also received training in glaucoma drainage implant surgery through its advanced glaucoma module. She further completed a surgical glaucoma fellowship at the University College Hospital, Ibadan, in 2025.

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She has lectured nationally and internationally on the medical and surgical management of glaucoma and training the eye care team.

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DR. MONIQUE BARBOUR

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Following that she completed a glaucoma fellowship at Georgetown University in Washington DC.

She has been practicing comprehensive ophthalmology with a focus on glaucoma for the past 25 years in West Palm Beach Florida.

She also specializes in clinical trials focusing on glaucoma therapy.



DR. PHILIP PHATUDI

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He completed a glaucoma fellowship at Meilahti Eye and Ear Hospital in Helsinki, Finland, and a glaucoma preceptorship at the LV Prasad Eye Institute in India.
With over 15 years of experience in ophthalmology, his clinical interests include glaucoma surgery, cataract surgery in the glaucoma patient, and community-based outreach programmes aimed at improving access to eye care.

Dr Phatudi is also deeply committed to leadership within ophthalmology. He is a Physician CEO graduate of the Kellogg School of Management.
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He is a graduate of the College of Health Sciences, University of Port Harcourt where he obtained his medical degree. He underwent his Residency training at the University of Port Harcourt, Department of Ophthalmology between 2005 and 2013 and became a Fellow of both National Postgraduate Medical of Nigeria and West African College of Surgeons. He had his Glaucoma Fellowship from the Kunle Hasan Eye Foundation Academy in 2019. He also possessed an MBA specializing in operations and project management.

Dr Nathaniel has held several leadership positions in both the University of Port Harcourt and the University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital. Currently, he is the Chair of the Ophthalmological Society of Nigeria, Rivers State Chapter and the Medical and Dental Consultants' Association of Nigeria, University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital chapter. He is a strong advocate for greater access to glaucoma care. He also promotes awareness about glaucoma through public enlightenment on radio and via various religious platforms.



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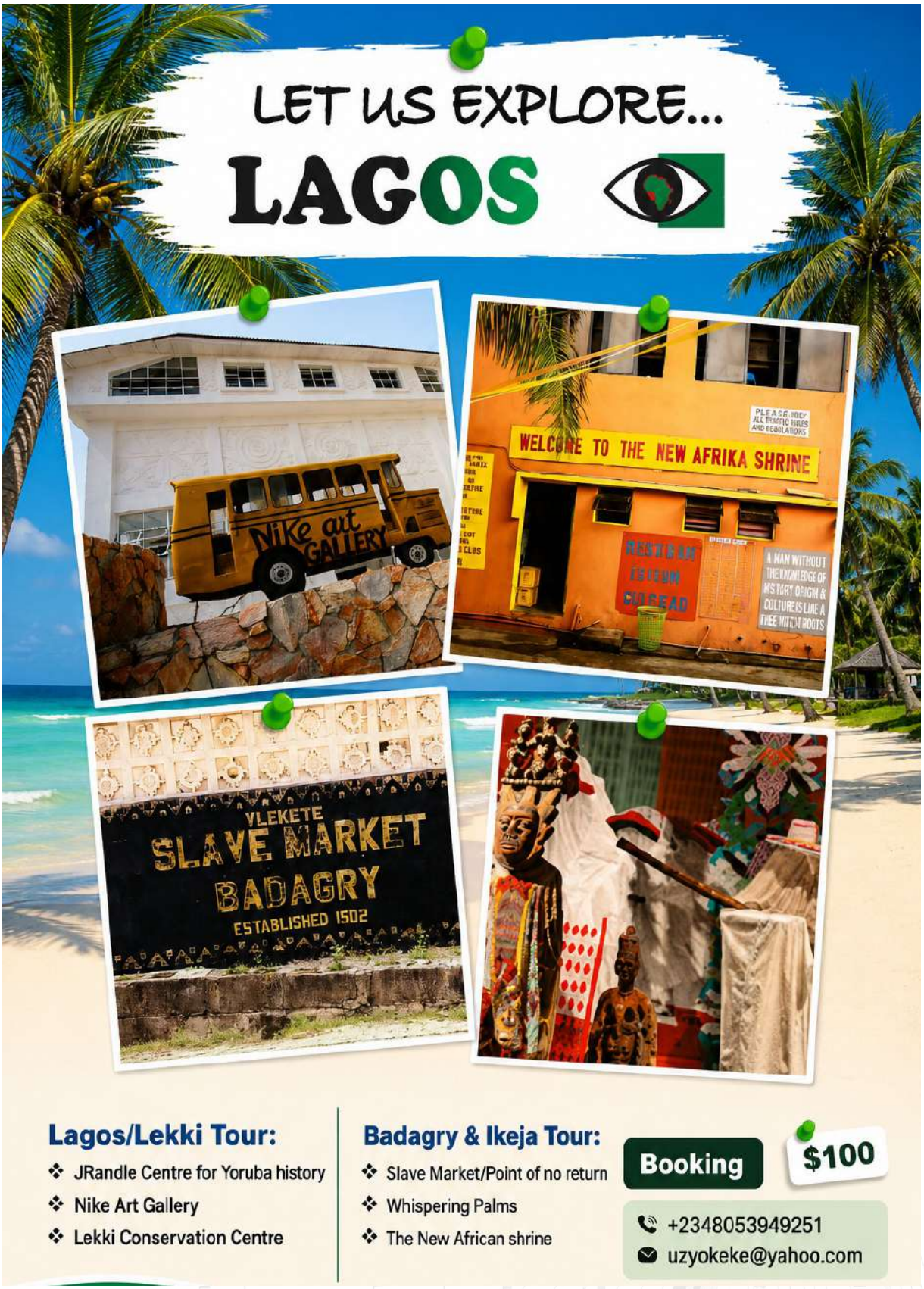
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