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Day 1

	Plenary Session 1: Challenges & Innovation in ART Co-Chairs: Prof. Preye Fiebai and Prof. Mohamed Khrouf	Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
08:00 a.m.– 08:20 a.m.	Welcome and house rules	Dr. Kehinde Bamgbopa
08:30 a.m.– 08:50 a.m.	The Future of Fertility Science in Africa: Evidence and innovation	Dr. Paul le Roux (AFFS)
08:50 a.m.– 09:10 a.m.	Fibroid Surgery and Fertility: When to operate and when to abstain	Prof. (Dr.) Anis Feki (ESHRE)
09:10 a.m.– 09:30 a.m.	Unleashing the potential to improve IVF outcomes with clinical registry data	Amy Sparks (ASRM)
09:30 a.m.– 09:50 a.m.	The paradigm shift on Ovarian stimulation	Dr. Marcos Horton (IFFS)
09:50 a.m.– 10:00 a.m.	Q & A	
10:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.	Pharma Symposium 1 (Merck Pharmaceutical & Life) Co-Chairs: Dr Ibrahim Wada and Ana-Rita Batista	Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
10:00 a.m.– 10:05 a.m.	Welcome & Opening	Dr. Ibrahim Wada
10:05 a.m.–10:20 a.m.	Decoding LH: Physiological Mechanisms and Functions	Prof. Mohamed Khrouf
10:20 a.m.–10:35 a.m.	LH in Clinical Practice: Treatment Implications and Strategies	Dr. Biljana Popovic
10:35 a.m.– 10:55 a.m.	Case studies discussion	Prof. Mohamed Khrouf & Dr. Biljana Popovic
10:55 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.	Closing Remarks	Dr. Ibrahim Wada
11:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.	Tea Break	
PARALLEL	Session 1: Challenging Procedures and Situations in IVF: A Panel Expert Discussion Co-Chairs: Mr. Julian Mamiso and – N Mazuguni	Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
11:30 a.m.– 11:50 a.m.	Ovarian Stimulation in patient with extremely diminished OR	Prof. Gamal L. Serour
11:50 a.m.– 12:10 p.m.	Difficult Oocyte pick up	Dr. Ibrahim Wada
12:10 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Thin Endometrium	Dr. Rudolf K. Adageba
12:30 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Difficult Embryo Transfer	Prof. Preye O. Fiebai
12:50 p.m. – 01:00 p.m.	Q & A	
PARALLEL	Session 2: Challenging Situations in the Lab (Embryology) Co-Chairs: Akemini Umana and Wilson Olajide	Ball Room 4
11:30 a.m.– 11:50 a.m.	Low Blastulation Rates: Identifying causes and remedies	Dr. Christopher Danga
11:50 a.m.– 12:10 p.m.	Troubleshooting unexpected fertilization failure (ICSI vs IVF)	Dr. Tunika George–Adonor
12:10 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Equipment failures during critical procedures – risk mitigation strategies	Dr. Gerhard Boshoff
12:30 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Dealing with contamination and infection in IVF labs	Dr Khadijah Tukur Jibrilla
12:50 p.m. – 01:00 p.m.	Q & A	
PARALLEL	Session 3: ART , The Nurses' and Counselling Perspective Co-Chairs: Nurse Omowunmi Ajayi and Mrs. Bamyil A. Sale	Obeche Hall
11:30 a.m.– 11:50 a.m.	Documentation : An integral part of Nursing care in ART	Peace N. Nwachukwu
11:50 a.m.– 12:10 p.m.	Integration of AI and Data Analytics in IVF Nursing care	Nr. Violet Augustus
12:10 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Evidence based nursing interventions to improve implantation success	Mrs. Olubusola Jeremiah–Yusuf
12:30 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Psychological support for couples undergoing IVF	Mrs. Rifkatu Lanna
12:50 p.m. – 01:00 p.m.	Q & A	

	Sponsored Symposium 2 (Cooper Surgicals/ G – Systems) Co-Chairs: Gabriel Odoma and Rose Ogbeche		Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
01:00 p.m. – 01:15 p.m.	The Crucial Role of Sperm Quality in Successful ART Treatment		Mr. Steve Levett, PhD
01:15 p.m. – 01:30 p.m.	One-step, One-minute Blastocyst Warming: Laboratory and Clinical Experiences		Mrs. Bodoor Qutish
01:30 p.m. – 01:40 p.m.	Q & A		
01:40 p.m. – 02:00 p.m.	E poster display		Accasia Hall
02:00 p.m. – 03:00 p.m.	Lunch Break		
PARALLEL	Session 4: Surgical Interventions in ART (Video Forum) Co-Chairs: Prof. Anis Feki and Mr Bolarinde Ola		Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
03:01 p.m. – 03:20 p.m.	Isthmocele Surgery		Dr. Osama Shawki
03:20 p.m. – 03:40 p.m.	Adenomyosis and In Vitro Fertilization: what is the best treatment approach		Prof. Jean M. Kasia
03:40 p.m. – 04:00 p.m.	Asherman Syndrome : Surgery and regeneration		Prof. Jude Okohue
04:00 p.m. – 04:20 p.m.	Complex Myoma Surgery		Dr. Jean CLAUDE K. Kolani
04:20 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Q & A		
PARALLEL	Session 5: Medicolegal aspect of ART: Panel Discussion – An Embryo Mix – Up Legally Deconstructed (The case of Chuks vs AFRH/AFFS)		Ball Room 4
03:00 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Moderators	Prof. Gemal Serour and Prof. Ekwedigwe Kenneth Chinedu	
03:00 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Patient's advocate	Barr. Undiga Emuekpere	
03:00 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Fertility clinic's advocate	Barr. Laolu Osanyin	
03:00 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Ethics advocate	Barr. Halita Adekunle	
PARALLEL	Session 6: Controversial Topics in Male Factor Co-Chairs: Dr. Adewunmi Adeyemi-Bero and N Louenji		Obeche Hall
03:00 p.m. – 03:20 p.m.	Varicocele treatment before IVF		Dr. Lemech E. Nabasu
03:20 p.m. – 03:40 p.m.	Antioxidant and Oxidative Stress : Is there an evidence ?		Dr. Sonia Mnallah
03:40 p.m. – 04:00 p.m.	Micro TESE for non obstructive Azoospermic patients		Dr. Oparaku N. Umez–Eronini
04:00 p.m. – 04:20 p.m.	Hormonal treatments for Male before IVF		Dr. Nazim Gherabi
04:20 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Q & A		
PARALLEL	Session 7: Debate What is the Best Way to Make IVF Affordable? Co-Chairs: Dr. (Mrs) Oluyemisi Adeyemi-Bero and Dr. Karim ben Dhaou		Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
04:30 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.	Adapting our practice with low-cost solutions		Dr. Gerhard Boshoff
05:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m.	Same standards but with negotiating lower cost		Prof. Marouen Braham
PARALLEL	Session 8: Debate Embryo Transfer Policy for Blastocysts Co-Chair: Haleemah Olalere and Dr. John Abebe		Ball Room 4
04:30 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.	Single Embryo transfer is the standard		Emeritus Prof. Silke Dyer
05:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m.	Multiple Embryo transfer should be considered		Dr. Faye Iketubosin
PARALLEL	Session 9: Debate : Patients with Poor Prognosis in IVF Co-Chairs: Abiola Adewusi and Yusuf Dasoo		Obeche Hall
04:30 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.	Strict Inclusion Criteria in IVF program		Prof. Omar Sefrioui
05:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m.	Personalization of Inclusion Criteria : Case by case approach		Dr. Jacques K. Tsingaing
05:30 p.m. – 07:30 p.m.	AFRH Annual General Meeting		Ball Room 4
05:30 p.m. – 07:30 p.m.	GIERAF meeting		Obeche Hall



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Day 2

Plenary Session 2: Future Frontiers & Innovation

Co-Chairs: Paul Le Roux and Dr. Sunday O. Onuh

Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3

08:00 a.m.– 08:20 a.m.	Welcome and House rules	Dr. Kehinde Bamgbopa
08:20 a.m.– 08:40 a.m.	Artificial womb and extracorporeal embryo culture: ethical frontiers	Emeritus Prof. Silke Dyer
08:40 a.m.– 09:00 a.m.	Reframing Fertility Care : Engaging reproduction life cycle as a new paradigm	Dr. Richardson Ajayi
09:00 a.m.– 09:20 a.m.	Nurse – led innovations in improving patient experience in fertility clinics	Mrs. Rifkatu Lanna
09:20 a.m.– 09:40 a.m.	Stem Cells' Role in Reproduction: Between haste and hype	Prof. (Dr.) Anis Feki
09:40 a.m.– 10:00 a.m.	Q & A	

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Oral Abstract Presentation 1: Clinical abstracts

Co Chairs: Fache Moses and C Hajj Slimane

Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3

10:00a.m. – 10:08a.m.	Predictors of Optimal Ovarian Response in Fertility Preservation for Women With Cancer: A Retrospective Prognostic Study	Dr. Marwen Zouari
10:08a.m. – 10:16a.m.	A Personalized IVF Program Based on Shared Decision–Making for Women with Ultra–Low Ovarian Reserve: Embryo Accumulation Improves Completion of the IVF Journey While Maintaining Cumulative Live Birth	Dr. Mohammed Khrouf
10:16a.m. – 10:24a.m.	Age– matched controlled ovarian stimulation protocol and clinical outcomes: impact on oocyte yield, quality and embryonic development	Dr. Kpoobari Bema
10:24a.m. – 10:32a.m.	Fresh versus Frozen Embryo Transfer Outcomes: A Comparative Analysis of 1,304 IVF Cycles from a Nigerian Fertility Centre	Dr. Ibilolia Kalio
10:32a.m. – 10:40a.m.	Association of MTRR Polymorphisms With Homocysteine And Ovarian Reserve In Reproductive–Aged Women In Calabar	Mr. Ojima S. Chigboja
10:40a.m. – 10:48a.m.	Influence of ejaculatory abstinence period on semen quality amongst Nigerian men	Dr. Haleemah Olalere
10:48a.m. – 11:00a.m.	Q& A	

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Oral Abstracts presentation 2 : Embryology abstracts

Co-Chairs: Prof Orijji and Lanre Toki

Ball Room 4

10:00a.m. – 10:08a.m.	Combined maternal and paternal PBMC immunomodulation versus hyaluronan–rich transfer medium in recurrent implantation failure: does one outperform the other?	Dr. Sonia Mnallah
10:08a.m. – 10:16a.m.	Impact of blastocyst collapse on clinical outcomes after single blastocyst transfer	Dr. R. ElBacha
10:16a.m. – 10:24a.m.	Development and validation of a deep learning model for D3 and D5 embryo selection using static images captured by optical light microscopy during IVF	Dr. Selima Fourati
10:24a.m. – 10:32a.m.	Good morphological quality blastocysts are likely to be euploid	Ms. Inyene R. John
10:32a.m. – 10:40a.m.	PGT–A Outcomes By Blastocyst Morphology Grade And Patient Age In A Nigerian Ivf Centre: A Retrospective Cohort Study	Mr. Olaoluwa Musa
10:40a.m. – 10:48a.m.	The Fatigued Embryologist: a cross sectional study	Dr. Ese W. Omonigho
10:48a.m. – 11:00a.m.	Q& A	

11:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.

Tea Break



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11:30 a.m.– 11:45 a.m.	The Embryologist’s role in expanding access to quality fertility care.		Dr. Amy Sparks
11:45 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.	From Evidence to Action: Using epidemiology and education to improve fertility care		Dr. Chevis Shannon
12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Infertility as a Global Health Priority: Expanding Access, Advocacy and Innovation		Dr. Jared C. Robins
12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Q & A		
PARALLEL	Session 11: Medical Education in ART Co-Chairs: Ibrahim Rais and Samira Barbara		Ball Room 4
11:30 a.m.– 11:45 a.m.	A National ART Diploma for Clinician in African West Country : The Senegal		Prof. Philippe Moriera
11:45 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.	AFFS initiative for Medical Education in ART	Prof. Hossameldin Fahem Abdel Rahim Ahmed	
12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Knowledge Transfer for Embryologist in Africa		Prof. Moncef Benkhalifa
12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Q & A		
Parallel	Session 12: ESHRE Session: Evidence-based practice in Ovarian Stimulation Co-Chairs: Amy Sparks and Prof. Gamal L. Serour		Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
12:30 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Evidence-based Guideline on Ovarian Stimulation: Key Recommendations		Prof. Biljana-todorovic
12:50 p.m. – 01:00 p.m.	Q & A		
01:00 p.m. – 01:20 p.m.	How to adapt ovarian stimulation protocols for low and high responders?		Prof. Frank Broekmans
01:20 p.m. – 01:30 p.m.	Q & A		
PARALLEL	Session 13: Updates in Embryology Co-Chairs: Olivia Okolotu and Prof. Moncef Benkhalifa		Ball Room 4
12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Embryo Selection : Morphology vs Morphokinetics		Mrs. Rabi Ahmed-Odia
12:45 p.m. – 01:00 p.m.	Advances in cryopreservation		Mr. Ojima S. Chigboja
01:00 p.m. – 01:15 p.m.	Add-ons in IVF Lab – recent advances		Dr. Nouredine Louanjli
01:15 p.m. – 01:30 p.m.	Q & A		
02:00 p.m. – 03:00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK		
PARALLEL	Session 14: IFFS Co-Chairs – Frank Broekmans and Daniel Zaake		Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3
03:00 p.m. – 03:15 p.m.	Update on preconception cleansing in reducing the effects of environmental toxins in ART related conceptions		Prof. Oladapo O. Ashiru
03:15 p.m. – 03:30 p.m.	Fertility Friendly Workplace Policies : Results of a Pilot Study in Uganda		Dr. Marcos Horton
03:30 p.m. – 03:45 p.m.	Platelet Rich Plasma in Reproductive Medicine: Hype, Hope or Emerging Standard?		Mr. Bolarinde Ola
03:45 p.m. – 04:00 p.m.	Therapeutic interventions for ovarian aging		Dr. Uliana Dorofeyava
04:00 p.m. – 04:10 p.m.	Q & A		



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PARALLEL	Session 15: Fertility Preservation & Reproductive Life After Cancer Co-Chairs : O Sifraoui and Abubakar Jimoh.	Ball Room 4
03:00 p.m. – 03:15 p.m.	Social Oocyte Freezing	Mr. Julian Mamiso
03:15 p.m. – 03:30 p.m.	FP in DOR and Endometriosis Patients	Emeritus Prof. Amr El-Shalakany
03:30 p.m. – 03:45 p.m.	Oncofertility outcomes	Dr. Abayomi Ajayi
04:00 p.m. – 04:10 p.m.	After cancer fertility and reproductive life	Dr. Derek Amoateng
PARALLEL	Session 16: Endometriosis Co-Chairs : Dr. Wanjiru Ndegwa-Njuguna and Dr. Kenneth Egwuda	Ball Room 4
04:15 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	Ultrasound imaging in diagnosis of endometriosis	Dr. Kingsley Agholor
04:30 p.m. – 04:45 p.m.	Endometriosis & IVF – Treat before stimulation or stimulate before treatment	Prof. Hossameldin Fahem Abdel Rahim Ahmed
04:45 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.	Q & A	
PARALLEL	Session 17: Update on Ovarian Stimulation & FET Co-Chairs: Matthew Anyanwu and Ekpe Philips.	Obeche Hall
04:15 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.	New Ovarian Stimulation Protocols	Dr. Moses M. Fache
04:30 p.m. – 04:45 p.m.	Update in FET Preparation Protocols	Dr. Amina Oumeziane
04:45 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.	Q & A	
05:00 p.m. – 06:30 p.m.	AFFS Annual general meeting	Tamarind Hall
7 p.m.	Gala Night	Main Hall– Ball Room 1–3



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