



DRAFT PROGRAMME

SATURDAY, 28 JUNE 2025

08h00	17h00	ICAN Board Meeting	The Boardroom
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SUNDAY, 29 JUNE 2025

08h00	13h00	ICAN Board Meeting	The Boardroom
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PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOPS

10h00	13h00	Workshop 1 - ICARS	Workshop 2 - WHO	
		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62	Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64	
Chair: Annick Lenglet & Alma Tostmann	Chair: TBC			
How to use intervention and implementation research to improve AMS and IPC in healthcare facilities? A hands-on practical workshop	Global perspective and approaches to IPC education			
14h00	17h00	Workshop 3 - Resolve to Save Lives	Workshop 4 - bioMerieux	
		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62	Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64	
		Chair: Stacey Mearns	Chair: Ann Vorsporten / Prof Shaheen Mehtar	
		Epidemic-ready Primary Health Care: the front line for IPC	Global PPS and Diagnostic Stewardship	

DAY 1 - MONDAY, 30 JUNE 2025

07h00	19h30	REGISTRATION & ARRIVAL REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
09h00 - 10h30		OPENING CEREMONY			
		Venue: Meeting Room 1.40			
09h00	09h15	Welcome to the 9th ICAN Conference and a tribute to Prof Ossama Raslan <i>Prof Shaheen Mehtar, Chair of Conference and Scientific Committee</i>			
09h15	09h30	Welcome from ICAN Chair <i>Prof Chedly Azzouz</i>			
09h30	09h40	Country Roll Call			
09h40	10h30	Keynote Address: Global Action Plan Speaker: Prof Benedetta Allegranzi, WHO HQ			
10h30	11h00	MID-MORNING REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
11h00 - 13h00		Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	
		Venue: Meeting Room 1.40	Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62	Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64	
		Theme: The Interdependence of the Built Environment and IPC	Theme: Applying Basic IPC Principles to Practice	Theme: bioMerieux: Data Driven Antimicrobial Stewardship	
		Facilitator: Briette du Toit Ludick / Kalivasar Murthi	Facilitator: Arifa Parker	Facilitator: Ann Vorsporten	
11h00	11h30	Microbiome Interactions in Healthcare Settings Speaker: Kalisvar Marimuthu	Breath of fresh air in 2025: Respiratory protections for pathogens that transmit through the air <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	TBC	
11h30	12h00	The role of Architects in reducing infection risk Speaker: Duncan Rendall	Cutting infections, not corners: optimising peri-operative IPC for SSI reduction <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	TBC	
12h00	12h30	Water as a source of infection Speaker: Joost Hopman	Applying Evidence to Hierarchy of Controls Speaker <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	TBC	
12h30	13h00	Ventilation: What changes and what stays the same <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Adapting IPC: Tailoring core practices to unique environments Speaker: Arifa Parker	TBC	

13h00	14h00	LUNCH			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
14h00 - 16h00	Session 4		Session 5		Session 6
	Venue: Meeting Room 1.40		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62		Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64
	Theme: Effective surveillance in low resource settings		Theme: Strengthening IPC and AMS on the African Continent		Theme: Implementation strategies for Patient Safety
	Facilitator: Elizabeth Schoeman / Ghada Ismail		Facilitator: Chedly Azzouz / Jun Manda		Facilitator: Molebogeng Kolojane /Eveline Tamone
14h00	14h30	Surveillance Systems in Africa- Identifying the Best Approach Speaker: Angela Dramowski	CDC <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Embedding IPC into Everyday Clinical Practice: Bridging the Gap Between Policy and Implementation <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
14h30	15h00	Applying molecular methods to surveillance in low resource settings <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Building Capacity in the Global South: Sustainable Strategies for AMR Containment <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Multidisciplinary Collaboration: The Key to Effective Patient Safety Implementation Speaker: Alethea Mashamba	
15h00	15h30	Using HAI data effectively - Effective Use of HAI Data in Decision-Making <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Implementation of sustainable IPC in Africa - the evidence <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Behaviour Change and Culture Shifts: Strategies for Sustaining IPC Practices for Patient Safety Speaker: Amy Barrera	
15h30	16h00	The Role of Waste Water Surveillance in Outbreak Detection <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Passing on the message - communication and commitment Speaker: Sade Ogunsola	Health Care Waste Management systems to reduce risks Speaker: Edward Krisunas	
16h00	16h30	AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
16h30 - 18h30	Session 7		Session 8		Session 9
	Venue: Meeting Room 1.40		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62		Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64
	Theme: Bringing about System Change in IPC for Africa - How To Do It		Theme: Standardization of IPC Education and Training in Africa		Theme: Trials and tribulations of leadership for IPC
	Facilitator: Sade Ogunsola/ Damilola Adeniyi		Facilitator: Elizabeth Schoeman/ Chedly Azzouz		Facilitator: Shaheen Mehtar/ Stacey Mearns
16h30	17h00	CDC <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Does one size fit all? Overview and background on current IPC educational disparities and the need for standardized IPC education across Africa <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Counting the cost of the IPC gap. What makes a good leader? Speaker: Shaheen Mehtar	
17h00	17h30	Financing IPC initiatives Speaker: Chipo Gwayagwaya	Describe the current education and training of IPs in a targeted number of countries across three regions Speakers: Claire Kilpatrick	RSTL "Building Capacity: Developing Future IPC Leaders in African Healthcare Settings" <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
17h30	18h00	Legal framework of IPC for Africa <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	The ICAN experience <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	The Role of Leadership in Strengthening IPC Programs: Strategies for Sustainable Impact <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
18h00	18h30	IPC Research in Africa for Africa: Time for action Speaker: Sade Ogunsola	Panel Discussion: Harmonizing Infection Prevention Education in Africa: Challenges, Successes and the Way Forward	Influences of healthcare restrictions in the name of IPC Speaker: Julie Storr	
18h30	20h30	NETWORKING RECEPTION (with Exhibitors)			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant

DAY 2 - TUESDAY, 1 JULY 2025

07h00	18h00	REGISTRATION & ARRIVAL REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
08h00	09h00	Meet The Expert: Sponsored session by Safmed on disinfection of endoscopes			Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62
09h00 - 09h45		Keynote Speaker: Climate Change and its Impact on Infectious Diseases Speaker: Joost Hopman			Meeting Room 1.40
10h00	10h30	MID-MORNING REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
10h30 - 12h30		Session 10	Session 11	Session 12	
		Venue: Meeting Room 1.40	Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62	Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64	
		Theme: Navigating the Ripple Effect of Displaced persons on AMR and IPC	Theme: How clean should a hospital environment be?	Theme: Decontamination of Medical Devices	
		Facilitator: Alethea Mashamba & Buyiswa Lizzie Sithole	Facilitator: Briette du Toit Ludick / Molebogeng Kolojane	Facilitator: Shaheen Mehtar / SAFHE	
10h30	11h00	Humans as transporters of AMR <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Cost-effectiveness of an Environmental Cleaning programme Speaker: Briette du Toit Ludick	Safe recycling of single-use medical devices - Is this possible? <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
11h00	11h30	Challenges in implementing IPC practices in displaced persons and war-torn areas Speaker: Buyiswa Lizzie Sithole	Missing reservoirs in the healthcare settings <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	How do you know your medical devices are sterile? Validation <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
11h30	12h00	Managing IPC with minimal resources Speaker: Alethea Mashamba	Using a multimodal implementation strategy to improve environmental cleaning Speaker: Damilola Adeniyi	Appropriate sterilization systems for low resource settings <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
12h00	12h30	IPC in pandemic preparedness <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Cleaners: Unrecognised gatekeepers in Healthcare Speaker: Elizma de Klerk	Challenges in providing sterile medical devices with limited resources <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
12h30	13h30	LUNCH			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
13h30 - 12h30		Session 13	Session 14	Session 15	
		Venue: Meeting Room 1.40	Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62	Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64	
		Theme: Old pathogens new places	Theme: ICARS: IPC AND AMS	Theme: Postcards from the ICAN Hubs and Societies - Success stories (CDC funded)	
		Facilitator: Arifa Parker / Kalisvar Marimuthu	Facilitator: Annick Lenglet & Alma Totsman	Facilitator: Nkwan Jacob Gobte / Adebola Olyinka	
13h30	14h00	Impact of antimicrobial agents on the environment <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	Northern and Southern Hubs success stories <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
14h00	14h30	Vector and Zoonosis Transmission <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	Eastern and Western Hubs success stories <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
14h30	15h00	One Health: ACDC <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	Central Hub success story <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	

15h00	15h30	Bioinformatics and tracking outbreaks <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	Panel discussion: Moving IPC forward, what works for Africa? How can we implement IPC successfully with minimal resources - the vision from the hubs <i>Speakers: TBC</i>	
15h30	16h00	AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
16h00 - 18h00	Session 16		Session 17		Session 18
	Venue: Meeting Room 1.40		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62		Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64
	Theme: Wateraid: Water, sanitation and hygiene behaviour changes for IPC - Integrated programming for safe and quality care		Theme: Quality Improvement and IPC		Theme: Pandemic Preparedness
	Facilitator: Jun Manda / Kyla Smith		Facilitator: Alethea Mashamba		Facilitator: Nkwan Jacob Gobte
16h00	16h30	Safe Water Systems in Healthcare: Preventing Waterborne Infections and Outbreaks <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Audit as a QI tool: advantages and disadvantages <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Pandemic Preparedness Plans and Scenario Simulations <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
16h30	17h00	Water Management in Low-Resource Settings: Challenges and Solutions for Effective Infection Control <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Using audit and epidemiology data towards QA <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Management <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
17h00	17h30	Water Quality in Sterilization and Reprocessing: Impact on Instrument Decontamination and Patient Safety <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	Post-Pandemic IPC Strategies and Future Preparedness <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
17h30	18h00	<i>Oral Presentation</i>	<i>Oral Presentation</i>	<i>Oral Presentation</i>	

DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY, 2 JULY 2025

07h00	17h00	REGISTRATION & ARRIVAL REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
08h00	08h45	Breakfast Meeting: Meet The Expert <i>Speaker: TBC</i>			Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62
09h00	10h00	Keynote Speaker: Acute disaster response then long-term intervention in selected cases Speaker: Dr Imtiaz Sooliman, Gift of the Givers			Meeting Room 1.40
10h00	10h30	MID-MORNING REFRESHMENTS			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
10h30 - 12h30	Session 19		Session 20		Session 21
	Venue: Meeting Room 1.40		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62		Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64
	Theme: French Session		Theme: When you go out in the woods today		Theme: Implementation of WASHFIT - Trials and Tribulations
	Facilitator: Jun Manda / Babacar Ndoye		Facilitator: Shaheen Mehtar		Facilitator: Damilola Adeniyi
10h30	11h00	Best of en PCI 2025 <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Protecting yourself in mass gatherings <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Making WASH services adaptative, safe and resilient: The intersection of WASH, IPC and Climate Change <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	

11h00	11h30	Intelligence artificielle et PCI : Expérience Africaine <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	What lurks in the wilderness on your holiday <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	The Role of WASH in improving the built environment in African health facilities <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
11h30	12h00	Surveillance of HAI in African Countries <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	A potpourri of travel medicine cases Speaker: Lucille Blumberg	<i>Assessing the Impact of WASH interventions on Antimicrobial resistance</i> <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
12h00	12h30	Mpox from ACDC <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Sharing experiences <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Integrating different tools <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
12h30	13h30	LUNCH			Clivia Conservatory & Jasminum Restaurant
13h30 - 15h30	Session 22		Session 23		Session 24
	Venue: Meeting Room 1.40		Venue: Meeting Room 1.61 - 1.62		Venue: Meeting Room 1.63 - 1.64
	Theme: Vaccine preventable Infectious diseases of IPC concern		Theme: Outpatient and Community Institutions		Theme: Building facilities for future pandemics
	Facilitator: Mamy Randria / Arifa Parker		Facilitator: Eveline Tamon		Facilitator: Chipo
13h30	14h00	Mpox: Emerging Challenges <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Adapting IPC Strategies for Primary Care Settings Speaker: Buyiswa Lizzie Sithole	Sustainable infrastructure for future pandemics in low and middle income countries Speaker: Amy Krause	
14h00	14h30	Cholera: Ongoing Threats and Responses <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	TB transmission: What is the risk in community setting? <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Making IPC environmentally friendly Speaker: Joost Hopman	
14h30	15h00	EVD and Marburg (include 7-1-7 approach to outbreak response) Speaker: Lucille Blumberg	Antimicrobial Stewardship in Community healthcare settings and outpatients <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	Green World initiatives in waste management Speaker: Edward Krisunas	
15h00	15h30	Plague Speaker: Mamy Randria	The role of caregivers in the community Speaker: Nkwan Jacob Gobte	How to improve primary healthcare facilities for future pandemics <i>Speaker: TBC</i>	
15h40	16h40	CLOSING CEREMONY & AWARDS			Meeting Room 1.40