

1st Southern African Prostate Cancer Summit

University of Namibia, Windhoek, May 15-17, 2025

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Day 1: “The Prostate Cancer Epidemic in Southern Africa”

Thursday, May 15, 2025

Master of Ceremony, Opening Ceremony: Christians, Felicia

Master of Ceremony, Day 1: Saad, Youssef

07:30 – 08:30 Registration

Opening Ceremony

08:30 – 08:45 Welcome and Acknowledgment of Notable Guests, Partners and Sponsors

08:45-09:30 Welcome addresses

- Vice Chancellor UNAM (Matengu, Kamwi Kenneth)
- Scientific Program Director, DKFZ (Schlemmer, Heinz-Peter)
- Pro-Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation & Development (Stefan, Cristina D.)
- Executive Dean, UNAM, Faculty of Health, Sciences and Vet. Med. (Hall, Judith)
- Minister of Health & Social Services (N.N)
- Patient Representative Organization (Hansen, Rolf)

09:30-09:45 Official Opening: President of Namibia

Keynote Addresses, Chair: Stefan Cristina D., Banda Richard

09:45 – 10:15 WHO Perspective of Cancer (Moeti, Matshidiso)

10:15- 10:45 The Cancer Landscape in Africa (Parkin, Donald Maxwell)

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee Break

Burden of Prostate cancer in Africa, Chair: Hansen Rolf

11:15 - 11:45 Epidemiology of Prostate Cancer in Africa (Zeeb, Hajo)

11:45 – 12:15 The Namibian National Cancer Registry (Zietsman, Annelie)

12:15 – 14:00 Lunch

Perspectives for Best Practice Chair: Haufiku Bernard, Mutambirwa Shingai BA

14:00 – 14:30 Prostate Cancer Screening Guidelines in RSA (Coetzee Lance JE)

14:30 – 15:00 Awareness, Cultural and Socioeconomic Challenges (N.N)

15:00 – 15:20 Communities’ and District Health Teams’ Perspectives on Prostate Cancer
(Förtsch, Hagen)

15:20 – 15:40 Three Prostate Cancer Survivors’ Journey through the Care Continuum
(Namibian PrCa survivors)

15:40 – 16:30 **Panel Discussion**, Chair: Christians, Felicia; Albers, Peter
(PPP, MDT Uro-Oncology, NGOs)

18:00 – 21:00 Networking Reception

End of Day 1

Day 2: “State-of-the-Art Multidisciplinary Management”

Friday, May 16, 2025

Master of ceremony, Day 2: Rukira, Kaenda

Keynote Address Chair: Zeeb Hajo

09:00 -09:30 European Association of Urology: “EAU meets Africa: Current European Guidelines of Prostate Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment” (Stenzl Arnulf)

Diagnosis and Staging Chair: Saad Youssef, von Knebel Doeberitz Magnus

09:30 -10:00 Diagnostic Tests to Detect Prostate Cancer (Albers Peter)

10:00– 10:30 Imaging and AI Opportunities (Schlemmer Heinz-Peter)

10:30-11:00 Pathology (Kidaaga Fredrick)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

Treatment Chair: Zietsman Annelle, Emvula Peggy

11:30 – 12:00 The Role of Surgery in Prostate Cancer Treatment (Coetzee Lance JE)

12:00 – 12:20 The Role of Radiotherapy in Prostate Cancer Treatment (Burger Henrietta)

12:20 – 12:40 Treatment of Metastatic Disease (Mutambirwa Shingai B.A.)

12:40 – 13:00 Opportunities and Challenges of Digitalization (von Knebel Doeberitz, Magnus)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

Case presentation and multidisciplinary panel discussion: Urology, Radiology,

Radiotherapy Chair: Saad, Youssef; Zietsman, Annelle

14:00 -16:00 MDT UNAM, DKFZ

19:00 – 22:00 Gala Dinner

End of Day 2

Day 3: “Looking Ahead: Next Steps for Joint Action”

Saturday, May 17, 2025

Master of Ceremony, Day 3: Liyambo, Laina

Keynote Address Chair: Nashidengo, Abdul Rashid

09:00 -09:30 Early Detection Programs: Opportunities and Challenges (Albers, Peter)

Parallel Workshops (chosen at registration)

09:30 -10:30 Patient care: Putting Prostate Cancer Care into Practice, Addressing Challenges
(Zietsman, Annelie; Bussmann, Hermann)

Research: Community Research Proposal on Early Detection of Prostate Cancer
(Nashidengo, Abdul Rashid; Albers, Peter; Schlemmer, Heinz-Peter)

Artificial Intelligence: The potential of digital innovation for prostate cancer
care (Görtz, Magdalena; Brinker, Titus)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

What’s next:

Multidisciplinary Panel Discussion on Challenges and Concepts Chair: Hall Judith

11:00 – 11:30 Presentation of Workshop Results (Rapporteurs UNAM, DKFZ)

11:30 – 12:30 Multidisciplinary Panel Discussion and Preparation of Declaration
All speakers and Faculty

Closing Ceremony

12:30 – 13:00 Final Thoughts and Call to Action for Continued Collaboration and Support
Acknowledgment of Speakers, Participants, and Volunteers
Hall, Judith; Christians, Felicia; Schlemmer, Heinz-Peter

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

End of Day 3 and End of the Summit