

SSK 2026 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

FROM POLICY TO PATIENT: *TRANSFORMING SURGICAL ACCESS ACROSS AFRICA*

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

APRIL 20TH – 24TH

PRIDE INN PARADISE CONVENTION CENTRE, MOMBASA

PRECONFERENCE:

MONDAY 20TH APRIL

8:00am – 5.00pm: 1. Laparoscopy Workshop Day 1

2. Basic and Advanced Endoscopy Workshop Day 1

3. Laser Haemorrhoidoplasty Workshop

Venue: Coast General Teaching & Referral Hospital

Facilitator: Dr. Njihia/Dr. Mwachiro/Dr. Kinyua/Prof. Odula

TUESDAY 21ST APRIL

8:00am – 5.00pm: 1. Laparoscopy Workshop Day 2

2. Basic and Advanced Endoscopy Workshop Day 2

3. Laser Haemorrhoidoplasty workshop

Venue: Coast General Teaching & Referral Hospital

Facilitator: Dr. Njihia/Dr. Mwachiro/Dr. Kinyua/Prof. Odula

1900 hrs: SSK Council Meeting: TBA

MAIN CONFERENCE: 22ND – 24TH APRIL

WEDNESDAY 22ND APRIL

Time	Session	Speakers	Moderators
8:00 - 8:15am	Registration, Welcome, and climate setting	Scientific Committee/SSK	
8:15-9am	Abstracts / E-posters	TBA	

9:00-9:15am	Gastroenterology: 011, 023, 038, 047, 049 Colorectal: 008, 031, 040 SSK2026031 SSK2026040		
9:20-10:20am	Medical Jousting, Social media and Self-advertising in Surgery	Dr Stanley Aruyaru Dr Shaban Saidi Dr Liz Okemwa Dr Amanda Kenya	Dr Opot Nyaim
10:20-10:40am	Tea/Coffee Break	ALL	ALL
10:45-10:55am	Opening Ceremony: Welcome remarks	Scientific Committee	
11:00-11:20am	President's address	SSK President	SSK Secretary
11:20am-12:00pm	Guest of Honour Address: Healthcare Financing and Surgical Access	Prof Jaoko W	SSK President
12:00-13:00	Panel discussion: Health care Financing and Surgical Access: Challenges, Opportunities and the future	Prof Walter Jaoko Dr Patrick Mbutia Dr Elijah Mwaura Dr Brian Lishenga Dr Bernard Muriithi	Prof Paul Odula
12:50-13:00	Sponsor talk	TBA	
13:00-1305	Group Photo	All	All
13:00-14:00	Lunch	All	All
14:00-15:00	Abstracts/E-posters Hepatobiliary: 015, 016, 019, 025, 039, 041, 061, 067	TBA	Dr Karan
15:00-15:30	Tea/Coffee	All	
15:30-17:00	SSK AGM	SSK COUNCIL	SSK President

THURSDAY APRIL 23RD PLENARY II

Time	Session	Abstracts	Moderators
08.00-09.00	Abstracts/E-posters Minimal Access Surgery: 026, 032, 035, 037, 044, 045, 050, 051	TBA	Dr Mugao
9.00-10.30	Strengthening County Surgical Capacity and Networks to Expand Access to Specialized Surgical Services	Governors, Drs Mathenge, Bitta, Muthoka and Moce Moraa	Dr Benjamin Njihia, Dr Simon Mbirua
10.30-11.00	Tea/Coffee Break	All	All
11.00-11.30	Echoes of Excellence: Honoring Surgical Legends : Prof Saidi Hassan	Dr Ahmed Kalebi	SSK President
11.30-12.40	General Surgery in the Era of Super specialization: Still the Backbone?	Prof Jotham Micheni Prof Paul Odula Dr Wekesa Masasabi Dr Caesar Bitta	Prof Daniel Ojuka
12.40-13.00	Sponsor talk		
13.00-14.00	Lunch Break		
14.00-15.00	Abstracts/E-Posters Breast Oncology: 005, 053 Neurosurgery: 033, 034 Plastic Surgery: 066, 069	TBA	
15.00-16.00	Optimising outcomes in obesity and weight loss management: An Integrated Approach	Dr Michael Mwachiro Dr Sarah Nyakiongora Dr Abdihakim Mohammed Dr Essaji Nashon Rop	Dr Lance Mayabi
16.00-16.10	Sponsor talk	TBA	
16.10-16.40	Tea Coffee Break	All	All

18.00 – Till Late : Gala Dinner

FRIDAY 24TH APRIL: PLENARY III

Time	Session	Abstracts	Moderators
8.15-9.15	Abstracts/E-Posters CTVS: 030, 062 Pediatric surgery: 012, 042, 048 ENT: 013 Urology: 027		
9.15-10.15	Documentation, ethics and medicolegal responsibility for surgeons in the modern era	Dr Abidan Mwachi Dr Majid Twahir Dr Stella Bosire Dr Maryam Badawy	Dr Kirsteen Awori
10.15-10.25	Sponsor talk	TBA	
10.25-10.50	Tea/coffee Break	All	All
10.50-11.50	Abstracts/E-Posters Public health/Policy: 043, 058 Anesthesia: 014 OBSYGN: 020 Surgical Education: 055, 059	TBA	
11.50-12.50	Global Surgery: Translating international protocols/guidelines to practical local solutions	Dr Christine Namugenyi Dr Bahaty Riogi Dr Mayunga Jill Dr Eric Hungu	Dr Beverly Cheserem
12.50-13.00	Sponsor Talk	TBA	
13.00-13.30	Closing Ceremony	Scientific Committee	SSK President/Secretary

13.30 – 14.30: LUNCH

14.30 :

Scientific Committee post conference meeting

Program Meetings

Delegates depart