



# Programme and Activities: 10th General of the African Academy of Sciences

19-22 June 2016 | Cresta Mowane Hotel | Kasane, Botswana

Time	Event	Comment
Sunday, 19 June: Pre-Meetings		
3:00- 7.00 pm	GC Meeting	
Monday, 20 June: Pre-Meetings and Registration		
8.30am-2.30 pm	GC Meeting (Cont)	
3:00 pm	Registration Game drive (optional)	
5:00- 6:30 pm	MAC Meeting (as decided during the 32nd GC meeting) Meeting of First Cohort of AAS Affiliates with their respective Vice Presidents	Chair: Prof Ekosse  Co-Chairs: Prof  Mwamila and Prof  Guiguemde
6 :30-8 :00 pm	Welcome Dinner	At the village
Tuesday, 21 June: Joint Meeting Day (BAS, AAS)		
8:00-8:45 am	Registration	
8:45-10:00 am	Opening Plenary (Conference Hall)	MCs: Prof B Abegaz and Dr B Kgarebe
	Welcome and Introduction	Prof A Kuku, President, AAS; and Prof M. P. Modisi, President, BAS
	<ul><li>Presentation of BAS Fellows</li><li>Awarding of certificates</li></ul>	Prof M P Modisi and Honourable Minister N. Molefhi
	Bestowing Honorary Fellow status to the Botswana President	AAS President





• Introduction of the President of Botswana

Honourable Minister N. Molefhi

 Keynote Address by HE Lt Gen Dr Seretse Khama Ian Khama

**Closing Remarks** 

Mr Keolopile Leipego, Chobe District Commissioner

## **Group Photograph with the President of Botswana**

10:00-11:00 am

Lecture Session I: Scientific Lecture

(Conference hall)

Speaker: Prof Nelson Torto

(Botswana Institute for Technology Research and

Innovation, Gaborone, Botswana)

Title: "Exploring the nanotechnology-advantage for

growth"

11:00-11:20 am

Morning Tea Break (Dining area)

11:20am-12:35pm Panel Discussion: How Africa can optimally use science, technology and innovation for better success in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

Moderators: Dr J Malete and Dr E Namubiru-Mwaura

(Conference Hall)

## Panelists:

- Prof Aggrey Ambali, Head, STI Hub-NEPAD Agency
- Prof Hubert Gijzen, Director, UNESCO Regional Office for Southern Africa
- Prof Roseanne Diab, Executive Director, ASSAF
- Prof Nelson Sewankambo, President, UNAS and Professor of Medicine, Makerere University College of Health Sciences
- Dr Marian Nkansah, Senior Lecturer Chemistry, KNUST
- Prof Oluwole. D. Makinde, Professor of Applied Mathematics and Computations, Stellenbosch





12:35-1:30 pm Lunch

(Pool Area)

All participants are invited to be part of a group photo

1:30-1:45 pm

TEDx Talk I:

(Conference hall)

Dr. Fredros Okumu

(Research Scientist, IFAKARA Institute, Arusha,

Tanzania)

Title: "Inside the belly of Africa"

1:45-2:45 pm

**Lecture Session II:** 

Ali Al'Amin Mazrui Memorial Lecture

Speaker: Prof Catherine Odora-Hoppers

(DST Chair, University of South Africa, Pretoria, South

Africa)

Title: "Modernity's 'Other' and the Transformation of the Academy: Towards a Restorative Paradigm"

2:45-3:05 pm

Break

3:05-4:05 pm

**Lecture Session III:** 

**Scientific Session lecture** 

(Conference hall)

Speaker: Prof Collen Masimirembwa

(Director, African Institute of Biomedical Science and

Technology, Harare, Zimbabwe)

Title: "Genomic medicine in Africa"

4:30-6:00 pm

**AAS Fellows Induction Ceremony and Award of** 

**Certificates to AAS Affiliates** 

6:15-7:15 pm

Olusegun Obasanjo Prize award ceremony

7.30 pm

**Networking Dinner** 

Wednesday, 22 June: 1: GA Meeting Deliberations

8:45-09:45 am

**Lecture Session IV:** 





### Scientific Lecture

Speaker: Prof Quarraisha Abdool Karim

(Associate Scientific Director: CAPRISA, University of

KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa)

Title: "HIV prevention in women- an imperative for

Africa"

09:45 - 11:00

Panel Discussion: How African universities and research institutions can enhance collaboration to build institutional capacities for social impact and creating research leaders

Moderator: Prof V Titanji

### Panelists:

- Prof Esi Awuah, Vice Chancellor, University of Energy and Natural Resources, Sunyani, Ghana
- Prof Otlogetswe Totolo, Vice Chancellor,
   Botswana International University of Science and Technology, Palapye, Botswana
- Prof Dominic Makawiti, Vice Chancellor, Maseno University, Kisumu, Kenya
- Prof Burton Mwamila, Vice Chancellor, Nelson Mandela University of Science and Technology, Arusha, Tanzania

11:00-11:20 am Morning Tea Break (Dining area)

11:20 am-12:20 pm

Lecture Session V:

**Paulus Pierre Joseph Gerdes Memorial Lecture** 

(Conference hall)

Speaker: Prof Ben-Erik Van Wyk

(Professor of Botany, University of Johannesburg,

South Africa)

Title: The rich African flora as a source of inspiration for scientific, cultural and commercial innovations

12:30-1:30 pm Lunch (Pool Area)

13:40-6:00 pm GA business meeting

(Conference hall)

Afternoon Tea Break (Dining area)

6:00-8:30pm Conference Banquet





**Closing Remarks** 

Prof A Kuku, President AAS

**Official Close** 

Prof N Torto, CEO BITRI; and Prof O Totolo, VC BIUST