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## The Rwanda Surgical Society 12<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting & Scientific Conference

**Theme: SURGICAL EDUCATION IN THE POST COVID-19 ERA AND  
EVIDENCE BASED SURGICAL PRACTICE**  
*Kigali, 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, November 2022*

Day one: Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
The RSS AGM (Members), NOBLEZA HOTEL  
14:00 - 14:30 Registration

Session I: RSS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
Chair: President RSS

14:00-14:20	Welcome	MC
14:20-14:40	Opening Remarks	RSS President: Agaba E. Nkusi
14:40-15:00	Report RSS	RSS Secretary General: Christophe Mpirimbanyi
15:00-15:15	Financial Report	RSS Treasurer: Albert Ndata
15:15-15:30	Report COSECSA	COSECSA Representative: Georges Ntakiyiruta
15:30-15:45	RSS Action Plan 2022-2023	RSS Vice-President: Georges N.
15:45-17:00	RSS Executive committee election	Members RSS
17:00-19:00	Cocktail	



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**Day Two: Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Surgical education in the post COVID-19 era.**  
**07:30 - 08:00 Registration**

## **Session II: Opening Ceremony**

**MC:**

<b>08:00-08:05</b>	Welcome	<b>MC (Miguel Gasakure)</b>
<b>08:05-08:15</b>	Welcoming address and inviting the Guest of Honour	<b>President RSS</b>
<b>08:15-08:30</b>	Opening Remarks by the Guest of Honor and officially opening of the Scientific Conference	<b>Guest of Honor</b>

## **Session III: Surgical education in Rwanda: an overview**

**Chair/Moderators: Prof Nkusi**

<b>08:30-08:40</b>	The starting of surgical trainings in Rwanda	<b>Prof Emile Rwamasirabo</b>
<b>08:40-08:50</b>	The surgical training offered by the university of Rwanda	<b>Prof Ntirenganya Faustin</b>
<b>08:50-09:00</b>	Surgical training through the College of surgeons of the East, Central and Southern Africa (COSECSA)	<b>Dr Georges Ntakiyiruta</b>
<b>9:00-9:10</b>	Preparing the future surgeons from undergraduate level	<b>Prof Abebe Bekele</b>
<b>09:10-9:40</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>09:40-09:55</b>	<b>Group Photo</b>	<b>MC</b>
<b>9:55-10:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	

## **Session IV: Panel discussion: The surgical trainings in Rwanda**

**Chair/Moderators: Prof Ntirenganya & Prof Rwamasirabo**

<b>10:20-10:45</b>	<p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Workforce needs and status with regards to NSOAP and training</li> <li>- Surgical education governance</li> <li>- Program designs, delivery, and evaluation</li> <li>- Individual programs perspectives</li> <li>- Surgical training in Rwanda from a trainee perspective</li> </ul>	<p>Dr Patrick Ndimubanzi Dr Uwaliraye Parfait Dr Africa Gasana HRH/CMHS/RMDC Prof. Byiringiro J.C.</p> <p>Program director Drs. Shingiro Eric</p>
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		Dr Umugwaneza Nathalie
<b>10:45-11:30</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	All
<b>Session V: Evidence based surgical practice</b>		
<b>Chair/Moderators: Dr Ntaganda Edmond &amp; Dr Mpirimbanyi Christophe</b>		
<b>11:30-11:40</b>	Cluster randomized trial of sterile glove and instrument change at the time of wound closure to reduce surgical site infection in low- and middle-income countries (CHEETAH)	<b>Prof Ntirenganya Faustin</b>
<b>11:40-11:50</b>	Reducing surgical site infections in low-income and middle-income countries (FALCON): a pragmatic, multicenter, stratified, randomised controlled trial	<b>Dr Mpirimbanyi Christophe</b>
<b>11:50-12:00</b>	Delphi prioritization and development of global surgery guidelines for the prevention of surgical-site infection	<b>Dr Tubasiime Ronald</b>
<b>12:00-12:10</b>	Feasibility and diagnostic accuracy of a telephone Wound Healing Questionnaire in detection of surgical site infection following abdominal surgery: A study within a trial in seven low and middle-income countries	<b>Dr Bucyibaruta Georges</b>
<b>12:10-12:20</b>	The WHO surgical safety checklist usage and compliance in Rwanda and Malawi.	<b>Ngabo Espoir.</b>
<b>12:20-12:45</b>	<b>Panel discussion</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>12:45-13:45</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>13:45-13: 55</b>	<b>IRCAD</b>	
<b>Session VI: Surgical practice and COVID-19 pandemic</b>		
<b>Chair/Moderators: Dr Ncogoza I./ Dr Nzayisenga A.</b>		
<b>13:55-: 14:05</b>	Impact of COVID-19 on surgical care in Rwanda	<b>Dr Mpirimbanyi Christophe</b>
<b>14:05-14:15</b>	Timing of surgery following SARS-CoV-2 infection: an international prospective cohort study	<b>Mr Munyaneza Emmanuel</b>



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14:15-14:25	Mortality and pulmonary complications in patients undergoing surgery with perioperative SARS-CoV-2 infection: an international cohort study	Dr Ncogoza Isaie
14:25-14:30	Protectsurg clinical trial	Dr Ncogoza Isaie
14:30-14:50	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>All</b>
14:50-15:00	<b>Laser technology in surgical practice</b>	<b>Biolitec</b>
<p><b>Session VII: Free papers/ Education</b> <b>Chair/Moderators: Dr Munyaneza R./ Dr. Bayisenga</b></p>		
15:00-15:05	Results of a Modified Delphi Process in Developing a Surgical Undergraduate Medical Curriculum in Rwanda	Dr iradukunda Jules & Barnabas T. Alayande
15 :05-15 :10	Assessment of hospital readiness in implementing a NOTSS training program	Dr Abahuje E&Mpirimbanyi
15:10-15:15	Delivery of a district hospital-based junior surgical clerkship for undergraduate medical students in Rwanda: a mixed-methods review	Dr iradukunda Jules & Barnabas T. Alayande
15 :15-15 :20	Development of a 'District Hospital Clinical Clerkship Framework': lessons learned from delivery of an undergraduate junior surgical clerkship in Rwanda	Dr iradukunda Jules & Callum Forbes
15 :20-15 :35	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<p><b>Session VIII: Free papers</b> <b>Chair/Moderators: Dr Uyisabye I. / Dr J.P. Majyambere</b></p>		
15:35-15:40	How are published National Surgical, Obstetric, and Anesthesia Plans (NSOAPs) addressing the gap in specialized surgical care in national strategy-setting: An audit of published plans from Sub-Saharan Africa	Dr Brittany L Powell
15:40-15:45	Assessment of preventable causes and predictors of independent	Dr Uwizeyimana Eugene



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	ambulation for cerebral palsy in Rwanda.	
<b>15:45-15:50</b>	Occipital encephalocele not covered with skin in a newborn at CHUK. Case Report	<b>Dr Mutoni Clemence</b>
15:50-15:55	Effect of talocrural angle variation on short term outcomes of operatively managed ankle fractures	<b>Dr Migezo Guido</b>
15:55-16:00	Operative Management and Outcomes of Patients with Sigmoid Volvulus at Kibogora level II Teaching Hospital	<b>Dr Tryphon Biraboneye</b>
16:00-16:15	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>16:15-16:30</b>	<b>Tea break</b>	
<b>Session XIV: Recommendations</b> <b>Chair/Moderator: MC</b>		
<b>16:30-16:40</b>	<b>Wrap ups of The Conference</b>	<b>Rapporteurs</b>
16:40-16:50	<b>Closure by The Guest of Honor</b>	<b>Guest of Honor</b>