



# PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

**SAGS 2026 CONGRESS 22-24 MAY , KIEVITS KROON, PRETORIA, GAUTENG**  
**FRIDAY, 22 MAY**

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| 11h00-12h30  | <b>BLEB FORMING PROCEDURES WORKSHOP 1</b><br>Pre-bookings essential – email ( <a href="mailto:webmaster@dipity.co.za">webmaster@dipity.co.za</a> ) | <b>30 spots still available</b>              |
| 12h00–13h00  | Registration & Lunch at the Conference Centre<br>Individual Check-in at the Main Hotel from 15h00  |  |
| <b>SESSION 1      MODERATORS: MARISSA WILLEMSE &amp; NOMBUSO MATHE</b>           |  |  |
| 13h00  | Congress Opening & Welcome   | Dr Marissa Willemse<br><i>SAGS President</i> |
| 13h05 -13h35   | Red & Green Disease: OCT in Glaucoma Diagnosis   | Dr Sanjay Asrani                             |
| 13h35 -14h05   | Low Pressure, High Stakes: Rethinking Hypotony After Glaucoma Surgery  | Dr Nombuso Mathe                             |
| 14h05 -14h20   | OCT for Glaucoma Progression: Statistical vs Clinically Significant  | Dr Sanjay Asrani                             |
| 14h20 -14h50   | Perimetry in Glaucoma<br>Reflections on origins and lessons learned  | Prof Grant McLaren                           |
| 14h50- 15h05   | Questions & Answers  |  |
| 15h05-15h35  | Tea Break  |  |
| <b>SESSION 2      MODERATORS: MARELIZE CONRADIE &amp; TSHILIDZI VAN DER LECQ</b> |  |  |
| 15h35-16h00  | Chronic Angle Closure: When is a Cataract Surgery Not Enough   | Dr Sanjay Asrani                             |
| 16h00-16h30  | A Decade of Glaucoma Research in South Africa: Hidden Insights from MMED Studies   | Dr Tshilidzi van der Lecq                    |
| 16h30–17h00  | You Cut; You Cry! (Difficult Surgical Cases)   | Panel Discussion                             |
| 17h00-17h15  | Questions & Answers  |  |
| 17h15-18h15  | Registrar’s Poster Judging Session   |  |
| 18h00 for<br>18h30   | Dinner at Hotel Restaurant<br><b>Dress: Smart Casual</b>   |  |

**SATURDAY, 23 MAY****SESSION 3****MODERATORS: PHILIP PHATUDI & DAEMON MCCLUNAN**

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|---------------|---|------------------|
| 08h00-08h30   | What Cannot Be Missed in Glaucoma: RIPLS & PAMM | Dr Sanjay Asrani |
| 08h30-09h00   | Managing the Unhappy Patient                    | Dr John Berdahl  |
| 09h00-09h30   | The Great Debate                                |                  |
| 09h30 -09h45  | Questions & Answers                             |                  |
| 09h45 - 10h00 | Group Photo                                     |                  |
| 10h00-10h30   | Tea Break                                       |                  |

**SESSION 4****MODERATORS: SUE WILLIAMS & DAVID STEVEN**

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| 10h30-11h40        | REGISTRAR CASE PRESENTATIONS  |                                 |
| 11h40-12h10        | A Tale of Two Pressures Part 1  | Dr John Berdahl                 |
| 12h10-12h40        | Normal Tension Glaucoma: The IOP is 10 and my Patient is Getting Worse  | Dr Sanjay Asrani                |
| 12h40-13h10        | A Tale of Two Pressures Part 2  | Dr John Berdahl                 |
| 13h10-13h40        | SAGS AGM  |                                 |
| 13h40              | Lunch   |                                 |
|                    | Afternoon at Leisure OR Skills & Knowledge Transfer Program   |                                 |
| 14h00-15h30        | <b>BLEB FORMING PROCEDURES WORKSHOP 2 (SAME AS FRIDAY)</b><br>Pre-bookings essential – email ( <a href="mailto:webmaster@dipity.co.za">webmaster@dipity.co.za</a> ) | <b>30 spots still available</b> |
| 18h30 for<br>19h00 | Gala Dinner <b>Dress Code: Smart</b>  |                                 |

**SUNDAY, 24 MAY**

SESSION 5

MODERATORS: BILL NORTJE &amp; MARELIZE CONRADIE

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| 08h30-09h00 | The Tongue is the Rudder of the Body: Sublingual Sedation                  | Dr John Berdahl                           |
| 09h00-09h30 | Visual Fields: New Developments & Pitfalls                                 | Dr Sanjay Asrani                          |
| 09h30-10h00 | Eye as Window to the Soul – Measuring Intracranial Pressure Non-Invasively | Dr Tommy Berdahl                          |
| 10h00-10h10 | Questions & Answers  |   |
| 10h10-10h30 | Tea Break  |   |
| 10h30-11h00 | The Search for True Translaminar Pressure                                  | Dr Daemon McClunan                        |
| 11h00-12h00 | Ethics TBA   |   |
| 12h00       | Congress Closure   | Dr Nombuso Mathe<br><b>SAGS President</b> |