



**IMMUNOLOGY
AT THE CENTRE OF ONE HEALTH**

10th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

2-4 October 2025
Coastlands Umhlanga Hotel & Convention Centre
Kwazulu-Natal



South African Immunology Society

**SPONSORSHIP
PROSPECTUS**

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 01 March 2025 Abstract submission open
- 01 March 2025 Early Registration open
- 12 May 2025 Abstract submission deadline
- 30 May 2025 Abstract confirmation notices
- 30 June 2025 Early registration & payment deadline
(if PO number is received by this date, the Early Registration Fee will be honoured)
- 01 July 2025 Regular Registration open
- 22 September 2025 Regular registration & payment deadline



USEFUL LINKS AND CONTACT DETAILS

SAIS 2025 Information

corne@savetcon.co.za | <https://savetcon.co.za/sais2025/>

Exhibition & Sponsorship

corne@savetcon.co.za | <https://savetcon.co.za/2025-sais-sponsors/>

Registration

<https://savetcon.co.za/2025-sais-registration/>

Accommodation

<https://savetcon.co.za/2025-sais-travel/>

Venue

Coastlands Umhlanga Hotel & Convention Centre

Situated just 20 minutes from the King Shaka International Airport, the 4-star Coastlands Umhlanga Hotel & Convention Centre has partial sea views of the Indian Ocean (either towards Ballito or towards Durban) and is situated on the ridge of the popular corporate and leisure suburb, Umhlanga Rocks.

WELCOME MESSAGE



Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of The South African Immunology Society (SAIS) it is my great pleasure to invite all of you to attend our 10th Conference to be held at Coastlands Umhlanga Hotel & Convention Centre in Kwazulu-Natal from 2-4 October 2025.

The conference will be held under the theme: **Immunology at the centre of One Health.**

This is one of the biggest highlights on the immunology calendar, with the aim of fostering synergies and maximizing dialogue to ultimately increase the impact of immunological research for health.

The conference will include sessions on vaccinology, infectious diseases, innate and adaptive immunity, tumour immunology, allergy, transplantation, and inborn errors of immunity, to name a few. This conference promises to spotlight the incredible advances making headlines and changing the trajectory of infectious and immune-mediated disease.

None of this would be possible without the involvement and support of companies such as yours. The layout of the venue and structure of the programme is such that there will be extensive opportunities for your representatives to interact with delegates.

Your presence and contribution will enhance the overall impact of the conference through promotional opportunities, scientific exchange and community engagement. In principle, all sponsors will be treated on a „first come, first served“ basis and will be mentioned in all Conference Publications, such as the Final Programme and the Conference Website.

There are different sponsorship packages and opportunities available. If you would like a more customized option, kindly contact our Conference Organisers through corne@savetcon.co.za.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to hosting this conference with you.

Dr Theresa Rossouw

President, South African Immunology Society

Dr Luyanda Kwofie

Conference Chairperson

Local Organising Committee

- Dr Luyanda Kwofie (Department of Immunology, National Health Laboratory Service)
- Dr Sabelo Hadebe (University of Cape Town)
- Dr Nancy Lola Meulenberg (University of the Witwatersrand)
- Prof. Sven Parsons (Deltamune)
- Dr Simone Richardson (National Institute for Communicable Diseases)

Conference Organisers



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PROPOSED PROGRAMME OUTLINE

WEDNESDAY 01 OCTOBER 2025

13:00 Registration opens
14:00 Hotel Check-in commences
17:00 Registration closes

DAY 1 - THURSDAY 02 OCTOBER 2025

07:30 Registration and arrival refreshments
08:00 Pre-Conference Workshop
12:00 Pre-Conference Workshop Lunch
12:30 Registration for conference
14:00 Welcome and Introduction
14:15 Plenary Session
15:15 Session 1
16:15 Close of Day 1
16:30 Welcome Reception and Poster Session

DAY 2 - FRIDAY 03 OCTOBER 2025

07:30 Registration and arrival refreshments
08:30 Session 2
10:00 Mid-morning Refreshments
10:30 Session 3
12:00 Lunch
13:00 Session 4
14:30 Mid-afternoon Refreshments
15:00 Session 5
16:30 SAIS AGM
19:00 Gala Dinner

DAY 3 - SATURDAY 04 OCTOBER 2025

07:30 Registration and arrival refreshments
08:30 Session 6
10:00 Mid-morning Refreshments (Guests to check out of hotel)
10:30 Session 7
12:00 Lunch
13:00 Session 8
14:30 Closing Session

2022 SPONSORS AND EXHIBITORS



SAIS 2025 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Industry involvement is one of the key elements to the success of SAIS 2025.

The conference provides a number of Sponsorship and Exhibition opportunities to suit your organisation's requirements and objectives, with great benefits. We will also offer you the ability to customise/tailor your preferred package to meet your specific marketing and budgetary requirements.

Your presence and contribution enhance the overall scientific impacts of the conference – through promotional opportunities, scientific exchange and community engagement. In principle, all sponsors will be treated on a „first come, first served“ basis and will be mentioned in all Conference Publications, such as the Final Program and the Conference Website.

On behalf of the Organising Committee, we look forward to welcoming you as a valued Partner, Sponsor or Exhibitor at the conference.

WHY DO YOU NEED TO PARTICIPATE

The 10th SAIS Conference is one of the biggest highlights on the immunology calendar, with the aim of fostering synergies and maximizing dialogue to ultimately increase the impact of immunological research for health.

Benefits of supporting the Conference

- 3-days of scientific presentations.
- Promotion of cutting-edge scientific research.
- Exclusive opportunities to exchange ideas with renowned professionals from across the world.
- Provides an ideal networking forum.
- Offers unique exposure to worldwide markets.

Why participate as a sponsor?

Increase your pre-conference exposure through marketing coverage (website/social media/mailers).

- Raise your profile above your competitors.
- Increase recognition and drive traffic to your exhibition / website.
- Marketing platform through branding and acknowledgement
- Deliver a greater ROI. Sponsoring an event can often be cheaper and have a higher return on investment than a TV commercial or other advertising methods.
- Contribute to the upliftment of the immunology community.
- Increase your company's perceived image – sponsoring such a big, professional and reputable event will provide the impression that your company is a reputable one.
- Gain the respect and credibility of your target audience.

Why participate as an exhibitor?

- **Branding** – if you exhibit then you are more likely to be considered a serious industry player. Raise your company's visibility, increase your brand awareness and highlight your company's presence as an active and important player in the industry.
- **Focus** – Provide a base to interact with an international audience. Generate new business for your products and services.
- **Network** – Our exhibition spaces are located in the heart of the networking and catering areas, giving you the opportunity to network with colleagues, potential customers and leaders in the industry.
- **Visibility** – you might have a strong online presence, but to strengthen and grow, there also needs to be a real visibility. People buy from people.
- **Market intelligence** – get to know your competitors and their products.
- Launch new products and services.
- Strengthen current product popularity.
- Generate sales leads.
- Reach new specific markets.
- Meet with sector specific audience.
- Keep up on industry trends and products that compliment your business.
- Be recognised.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

All prices listed below includes 15% VAT

DETAILS	PLATINUM (Exclusive)	GOLD (3 available)	SILVER (5 available)
COST IN ZAR	R 60,500.00	R 50,000.00	R 39,000.00
Exhibition space only (provided: table, linen, 2 chairs)	3m x 2m Priority placement	3m x 2m	3m x 2m
Full conference registrations	4	3	2
Branded materials for tables in plenary venue at start of first session	Yes	No	No
Inclusion in special mailshot to attendees	Yes	Yes	Yes
Logo on the conference website	Yes	Yes	Yes
Logo on on-site acknowledgement board/banner	Yes	Yes	Yes
Logo on the cover page of the abstract book that will be available on-line on the conference website during and after the event.	Yes	n/a	n/a
Intersession slide acknowledgement	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dedicated post on social media channels announcing sponsorship	Yes	n/a	n/a
Colour advertisement and introduction in the final programme	Full page – back cover + 150 word	Full page + 100 word	Half page + 50 word
Bag insert (company brochure placed in the delegate bags), max 4 pages	Yes	Yes	Yes
Attendance to Welcome Reception	4	3	2
Attendance to Conference Dinner	4	3	2

EXHIBITION

Exhibition: **R28,750.00**

- 3m x 2m space (no shell scheme included)
- 1 x trestle table and 2 x chairs
- 2 x exhibitor badges, including the welcome function
- 50-word company profile in official abstract book
- Intersession slide acknowledgement
- Your logo will be associated with the conference on different communication supports (newsletters, web site, social media, etc). That will be available on-line on the conference web site after the event.

Pull up Banner: **R 3,000.00**

- 2 x Free-standing pull-up banners in general conference area.
- 1 x exhibitor badge, including the welcome function
- 50-word company profile in official abstract book
- Intersession slide acknowledgement
- Your logo will be associated with the conference on different communication supports (newsletters, web site, social media, etc). That will be available on-line on the conference web site after the event.

Additional Passes

- **Additional Passes (full conference) – R 6,500.00**
 - Pass to be acquired if your company would like more staff to attend the conference than what is included in your package.
 - Pass will enable member to attend all sessions (and earn CPD points) as well as all social functions for the full duration of the Conference.

- **Additional Pass for 1 Day of the Conference Only – R 2,180.00**
 - Pass to be acquired if your company would like more staff to attend the Conference than what is included in your package.
 - Pass will enable member to attend all sessions (and earn CPD points) as well as all social functions for the one day of the Conference only/

- **Additional Welcome Reception Ticket – R 450.00**
 - Attendance to the Welcome Reception for additional staff or partners.

- **Additional Gala Dinner Ticket – R 600.00**
 - Attendance to the Gala Dinner for additional staff or partners.

BRANDING PACKAGES

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BENEFITS
Delegate bags EXCLUSIVE	R 25,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Branding the delegate bags is a much sought-after sponsorship opportunity which will ensure your company brand will be remembered long after the event • Conference Organizer will source the bags and send to sponsor for approval. • Sponsor's logo co-branded with Conference logo on the delegate bags • Acknowledgement on Conference website and in final programme (max 75 words) • Logo included in looped presentation in plenary venue • Full page advert in final programme (sponsor to supply final print ready artwork in PDF format) • Insert into delegate bag (max 8 pager – sponsor to supply insert) • 1 x free delegate pass to full conference, including 1 x ticket to the Welcome Reception
Conference Pens & Notebooks EXCLUSIVE	R 10,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsor's logo on pens • Conference Organizer will source the notebooks and pens and send to sponsor for approval. • Acknowledgement on website and in final Conference programme (max 75 words) • Logo included in looped presentation in plenary venue • 1 x free delegate pass to full conference, including 1 x ticket to the Welcome Reception
Registration Area, Name badges, Pocket Programme EXCLUSIVE	R 16,500.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logo on name badges and pocket programmes • 4 x free standing pull-up banners in registration area/foyer • Opportunity to provide branded t-shirts for registration staff • Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words) • Logo included in looped presentation in plenary venue

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BENEFITS
Water Bottles EXCLUSIVE	R 9,200.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Branded, reusable and sustainable water bottles will be provided to each delegate. • Conference Organizer will source the bottles and send to sponsor for approval • This is a multi-purpose bottle that can be filled from provided water coolers or used for hot drinks. • Acknowledgement on website and in final program (max 75 words). • Logo included in looped presentation in plenary venue and exhibition venue.

HOSPITALITY OPPORTUNITIES

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BENEFITS
Hospitality sponsor for tea breaks 3 Available	R 3,500 per day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Branding at all tea/coffee stations for the day (sponsor can supply) • Overlays for buffet stations and/or cocktail tables, branded serviettes etc.) • 2 x free standing pull-up banners in the catering area on the day of sponsorship • Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words) • Logo in looped presentation in plenary venue
Hospitality sponsor for lunches 3 Available	R 5,000 per day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Branding at all tea/coffee stations for the day (sponsor can supply) • Overlays for buffet stations and/or cocktail tables, branded serviettes etc.) • 2 x free standing pull-up banners in the catering area on the day of sponsorship • Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words) • Logo in looped presentation in plenary venue
Welcome Reception EXCLUSIVE	R 35,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logo included in all material related to the welcome function • 4 x free standing pull-up banners in venue during the welcome function • 5-minute welcoming address to guests • Full page advertisement in final programme (sponsor to supply final print ready artwork in PDF format) • Insert into delegate bag (max 8 pager – sponsor to supply insert) • 2 x free delegate passes to full conference , including 2 x tickets to the Welcome Reception • Acknowledgement on website and in final programme (max 75 words) • Logo in looped presentation in plenary venue
Gala Dinner EXCLUSIVE	R 50,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logo included in all material related to the gala dinner • Free-standing pull-up banners or branding in venue during the gala dinner • 5-minute welcoming address to guests • Full page advertisement in final programme (sponsor to supply final print ready artwork in PDF format) • Insert into delegate bag (max 8 pager – sponsor to supply insert) • 2 x free delegate passes to full conference, including 2 x tickets to the Welcome Reception and 2x x tickets to the Gala Dinner • Acknowledgement on website and in final programme (max 75 words) • Logo in looped presentation in plenary venue • Recognition on official programme, pre-event marketing and proceedings • Sponsor will have the opportunity to distribute giveaways and branded items at the dinner (sponsor to supply)

MARKETING PACKAGES

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BENEFITS
Abstract/Programme Book EXCLUSIVE	R 8,500.00	Full page branding on the outside back cover (exclusive)
Advert in abstract book EXCLUSIVE	R 4,500.00	A4 - Full inside front cover (exclusive)
Advert in abstract book EXCLUSIVE	R 3,500.00	A4 - Full inside back cover (exclusive)
Advert in abstract book	R 2,500.00	A4 - Full page inside
Advert in abstract book	R850.00	A5 - Half page inside (landscape)
Bag inserts	R 1,500.00	Sponsor will have the opportunity to distribute company brochures, giveaways and branded items in the delegate bags.
Poster Boards	R 950.00/ board	Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme

PROGRAMME SUPPORT

SAIS 2025 offers opportunities to support existing lectures and sessions at ICPOW2025, helping you achieving wide reach, brand visibility, and targeted awareness of your contribution to the field.

The sponsor's support will be acknowledged in the session description in the Programme, and onsite on a slide at the beginning of the session. In addition, the supporter is verbally acknowledged onsite:

Best Speaker & Poster Awards: R 12,000.00 (4 awards) **EXCLUSIVE**

- Logo on awards and certificate.
- Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words).
- Acknowledged as sponsor of session (co-sponsor if more than 1 sponsor per session).

International Speaker(s): from R 25,000.00*

- Maximum of 3 x free standing pull-up banners in the venue during the speaker's presentation.
- Logo on speaker presentation(s) (subject to speaker approval).
- Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words).
- Acknowledged as sponsor of session (co-sponsor if more than 1 sponsor per session).

* Please enquire – minimum fee, dependant on speaker location and number of talks.

Local Speaker(s): from R 15,000.00*

- Maximum of 2 x free standing pull-up banners in the venue during the speaker's presentation.
- Logo on speaker presentation (subject to speaker approval).
- Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words).
- Acknowledged as sponsor of session (co-sponsor if more than 1 sponsor per session).

* Please enquire – minimum fee, dependant on speaker location and number of talks.

Pre-conference Workshop: R 30,000.00 **EXCLUSIVE**

- Exclusive branding in workshop venue.
- Sponsor can provide flyers, branded writing material or items for each delegate at the registration desk.
- Logo in workshop programme and on workshop opening slide.
- Acknowledgement on conference website and in final programme (max 75 words).

Student Bursaries: **At sponsor's discretion**

- Assist with covering students' registration, travel & accommodation)
- Logo on student's presentation (if applicable; subject to student approval).
- Acknowledgement on website and in final programme (max 75 words)
- Logo in looped presentation in plenary venue

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Sponsor/Exhibitor packages are available on a first-come-first-serve basis and the Organisers reserve the right to decline applications at their sole discretion.
2. **LIABILITY:** Upon approval of this contract by an authorized Exhibitor representative, it is expressly understood that the Exhibitor has read and agrees to abide by the liability policies outlined below. The organisers and all organizations and individuals who are employed by or associated with it, in connection with this Exhibition, will not assume responsibility and shall be held harmless by all Exhibitors for damage or loss resulting from fire, theft, or any other cause whatsoever, including accident or injury to exhibitors, their employees and agents, the public, or others. The Exhibitor agrees to pay promptly for any and all damages to the exhibition building or its equipment incurred through carelessness or otherwise, of Exhibitor or its employees or agents.
3. **INSURANCE:** The organisers, the host company or the venue does not maintain insurance covering Exhibitors property or employees. It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitors to obtain public liability insurance, business interruption insurance, property damage insurance, and workers' compensation insurance covering and protecting Exhibitors against all such losses as referenced in these Guidelines.
4. **PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** Full payment required on receipt of invoice. Exhibition participation and positioning and sponsorship, however, is only confirmed on receipt of a signed contract and full payment. Failure to comply with the payment could result in the forfeiture of your commitment, and any refund due will be at the discretion of the Conference Organising Committee.
5. The form constitutes as a legal and / or contractual engagement.
6. All exhibition/sponsorship contracts are final and cannot be retracted.
7. The Conference Organising Committee reserves the right to decline exhibition/sponsorship bookings.
8. The law of South Africa governs this contract.
9. The Conference Organising Committee reserves the right to amend the rules and regulations governing exhibition at its discretion.
10. **CANCELLATION POLICY:**
 - a. All cancellations must be received in writing.
 - b. Cancellations received by 30 June 2025 will receive a full refund, less a 10% handling fee on the full value committed.
 - c. Cancellations received between 1 July 2025 and 31 August 2025 will receive a 50% refund on the full value committed.
 - d. Cancellations received after 1 September 2025 will be liable for the full value committed.
 - e. Refunds will be issued after the conference has taken place.

