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Gastroenterology Society

SAGES 2025 CONGRESS

IN ASSOCIATION WITH

The South African Gastrointestinal Nurses Society
The South African Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology



DURBAN



Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the South African Gastroenterology Society (SAGES) and the local organising committee, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the SAGES 2025 Congress in Durban.

We are certain that our program will fulfill its ambition of being educational, informative and entertaining. To this end we must give thanks to all our speakers who have kindly shared their time and expertise. In particular, we are grateful to the fantastic international faculty that will be participating. This includes Prof. Nicholas Talley, Dr Badr Al-Bawardy, Dr Heba Al-Farhan, Dr Christos Tzivinikos and Prof. Yoanna Pumpalova. An outstanding line-up that is sure to keep the audience engaged.

We are also joined by the South African Gastrointestinal Nurses Society and South African Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology. Much appreciation to Sr Marilyn Pillay and Dr Suveena Bisetty for assembling superb parallel programs that highlights the integrative and diverse nature of gastroenterology. IBD Africa will also host a patient-orientated session lead by Dr David Epstein.

The Gastroenterology Foundation continues the traditional "Twilight Symposium" with Professor Talley as the keynote speaker.

A big thank you must go to Eastern Sun, Karin Fenton and the trade. Congresses don't just happen without support and the support we have received has been exceptional.

In an online world the value of an in-person gathering cannot be underestimated. Beyond the learning, discussing and networking there's the simple warmth of human connection. It is this connection that we carry into the clinics, endoscopy suites, wards and the world. We hope that this congress serves to strengthen old connections and create new ones that last a lifetime.

Durban awaits your presence!

Regards

VG Naidoo

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INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER LINEUP

**A DISTINGUISHED PANEL OF GLOBAL EXPERTS IN GASTROENTEROLOGY
AND RELATED SPECIALITIES**



PROF NICHOLAS TALLEY

Professor of Medicine at the University of Newcastle.

Neurogastroenterologist, Clinician and Educator with a research interest in disorders of gut-brain interaction, intestinal inflammation including eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders, and the intestinal mucosa-associated microbiome.

AUSTRALIA



DR CHRISTOS TZIVNIKOS

Consultant Paediatric Gastroenterologist
and founder of the Gastroenterology
Department at Al Jalila Children's
Specialty Hospital in Dubai.

UAE



DR BADR AL BAWARDY

Gastroenterologist at Yale Medicine
specialising in inflammatory bowel
disease (IBD), Crohn's disease, and
ulcerative colitis.

USA



DR HEBA AL-FARHAN

Consultant Gastroenterologist and
Hepatologist, Advanced IBD specialist.

KUWAIT



PROF YOANNA PUMPALOVA

Assistant Professor of Medicine
and Medical Oncologist at Columbia
University Irving Medical.

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