



The **IPSO Africa Surgical Oncology Symposium** will be held on 16 March 2022 as a pre congress meeting at the **14<sup>th</sup> Congress of SIOP Africa**. IPSO has a one-day event with presentations focusing on surgical principles and challenges in various paediatric solid tumours. A ‘tumour board’ type interactive panel discussion will also take place where 5 patients will be presented, and their management discussed. This is a first for IPSO on the African continent.

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## IPSO Africa Surgical Oncology Symposium

**Registration:** <https://siopafrica.org/about-siop/>

Scroll down to pre congress workshops on the home page, and register there

**Cost:** There is **no cost** for this meeting

**Format:** This is a **Hybrid** congress. You can attend **in person or online**.

**Online link:** This will be sent to you after registration on the web site

**Venue:** Serena Congress Centre, Kampala, Uganda

**Program:** See the full program to follow below

**Speakers:** Get to know the speakers below



## IPSO AFRICA PAEDIATRIC SURGICAL ONCOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

Wednesday 16 March 2022

Serena Kampala Conference Center

Hybrid Meeting with online link to be provided on registration

### PROGRAM

TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER	Speaker ATTENDANCE
<b>Session 1: Welcome, Introduction and General Aspects of Surgical Oncology</b> <b>Chair: Hafeez Abdelhafeez</b>			
08:30 – 08:40	Welcome and Introduction	Dr Arlene Muzira	In Person
08:40 – 08:50	IPSO welcome address	Prof Sharon Cox Dr Kagiso Batka	On-line
08:50 – 09:30	Pediatric Surgical oncology in practice in Uganda. A journey of 20 years	Dr John Sekabira	In person
09:30 – 10:10	Vascular Access and modifications for LMIC	Prof Sharon Cox	On-line
10:10 – 10:40	TEA BREAK		
<b>Session 2: Nephroblastoma and Hepatoblastoma</b> <b>Chair: Arlene Muzira</b>			
10:40 – 11:20	Wilms: principles of surgical management	Dr Nasser Kakembo	In person
11:20 – 12:00	Wilms: Surgical Challenges - bilateral, IVC extension, massive tumour	Dr Derek Harrison	In person
12:00 – 12:40	Hepatoblastoma principles of surgical management and challenges	Dr Hafeez Abdelhafeez	In person

12:40 – 13:40	LUNCH			
<b>Session 3: Germ Cell, Sarcoma, Neuroblastoma</b> <b>Chair: Derek Harrison</b>				
13:40 - 14:20	Germ Cells tumor surgical principles and challenges		Dr. Bindi Jayendra Naik-Mathuria	Recorded
14:20 – 15:00	Sarcoma principles of surgical management and challenges		Dr Hafeez Abdelhafeez	In person
15:00 - 15:40	Neuroblastoma principles of surgical management and challenges		Dr Jed Nuchtern	On-line
15:40 – 16:00	TEA			
<b>Session 4: Case based discussions</b> <b>Chair: Nasser Kakembo</b>				
16:00 – 16:20	Nephroblastoma	Dr Rovine Naluyimbazi	<b>Panelists:</b> Dr Harrison Dr Abdelhafeez Dr Valeria Nabbose Dr John Sekabira Dr Israel Luutu Dr Sam Kalungi Oncologist TBC	<b>In Person:</b> Dr Naluyimbazi Dr Nimanya Dr Harrison Dr Nabbose Dr Sekabira Dr Luutu Dr Kalungi Oncologist
16:20 – 16:40	Neuroblastoma	Dr Kagiso Batka		<b>On Line:</b> Dr Batka Dr Mapurisa Dr Rengura
16:40 – 17:00	Pelvic Rhabdomyosarcoma	Dr Stella Nimanya		
17:00 – 17:20	Germ cell	Dr Amarylis Mapurisa		
17:20 – 17:40	Hepatoblastoma	Dr Cecelia Rengura		
17:40 - 17:45	Closing remarks		Dr Arlene Muzira Dr Hafeez Abdelhafeez	In person

## Organizing Committee

### Dr Arlene Muzira (Local Organizer)



Dr. Arlene is a Ugandan paediatric surgeon. She holds an undergraduate degree in medicine (2002-2008) and Master of Medicine in general surgery (2011-2015) from Makerere university college of health sciences in Uganda. She trained in neonatal and paediatric critical care at Yale university (2015-2016). She completed her paediatric surgery fellowship and a diploma in paediatric plastic surgery at the University of British Columbia in Canada (2017-2019). She is a certified paediatric and neonatal surgeon by the College of Surgeons of Eastern, Central and southern Africa (COSECSA). She is a consultant paediatric surgeon with the Uganda Cancer Institute and a member of the research and ethics committee of the institute and very passionate about research. She provides clinical services at the cancer institute as well as various hospitals in Kampala. She is also involved in training general surgery residents as well as paediatric surgery fellows under COSECSA at Mulago national referral and teaching hospital.

Her current passion is providing timely local surgical control for children with solid tumours, in order to improve survival. Her dream is to pursue genetic studies of African solid tumours in effort to understand, if any, the apparent difference in behaviour and response to available treatments in comparison to other regions of the continent.

On a personal level, she enjoys a good laugh with friends, music, a good book and outdoors.

### Prof Sharon Cox (IPSO)



Sharon Cox is the Head of Clinical Unit of Paediatric Surgery at Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital, with a joint appointment in the Department of Surgery, University of Cape Town. Sharon serves on the International Pediatric Surgical Oncology Society (IPSO) Executive and IPSO Education Committee and is the chair of the IPSO program committee. Sharon is currently the Africa representative on the World Federation of Associations of Paediatric Surgery (WOFAPS) executive.

Prof Cox is involved in training medical students, general and paediatric surgery registrars. Research topics include clinical aspects of paediatric tumours, burns and multiple aspects of general paediatric surgery. She has a special interest paediatric surgical oncology and neonatal surgery.

### **Dr Hafeez Abdelhafeez (IPSO, St Jude)**



Dr. Abdelhafeez is a pediatric oncology surgeon currently serves as the director of global surgical oncology program, the department of pediatric global medicine, St. Jude Children's Research. He is leading the efforts of surgical oncology education and training in limited resources setting. He currently serves as a member of the education committee of the International Society of Pediatric Surgical Oncology (IPSO), a representative at the Global Initiative for Childhood Cancer (GICC), the oncology group lead for the Global Initiative of Children's Surgery (GICS) and the Pan African Pediatric Surgery Association (PAPSA).

### **Dr Derek Harrison (IPSO)**



Derek Harrison is appointed at Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital and the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. He initially trained in undergraduate medicine and postgraduate General Surgery in Zimbabwe, and subsequently sub-specialized in Paediatric Surgery in South Africa. His specific interest is Paediatric Surgical Oncology. He is a member of the International Society of Paediatric Surgical Oncology and has been a regular at their meetings. He is involved in multiple research projects in the field of paediatric surgical oncology, supervising undergraduate and postgraduate masters students, as well as embarking on international collaborations with colleagues at Oxford and St Jude's. Apart from being involved in all aspects of Paediatric Surgical care at the extremely busy Baragwanath Hospital, undergraduate and postgraduate activities, he likes to spend time with his family and four-year-old daughter.

## Speakers

### Dr John Sekabira



Dr. John Sekabira is a Senior Consultant Paediatric Surgeon, Mulago National Referral and Makerere University Teaching Hospital. He completed General Surgical Residency from Makerere University and Specialist Paediatric Surgery training from University of Kwazulu Natal-South Africa. He was the first recipient of the High Green Wood travelling fellowship to Alder Hey Hospital Liverpool and Great Manchester Children Hospital in UK for three (3) months.

Dr. Sekabira has given keynote speeches at BAPs meeting Edinburg UK and is recipient of a Honorary life time Fellowship of the American Academy of Paediatrics in San Francisco USA (2016) after giving the Gans Stephen lecture at the meeting.

He started the Paediatric Surgery training program which in collaboration with colleagues from UK and North America trained and graduated five Paediatric Surgeons in seven years under COSECSA; four fellows are currently undergoing training.

Dr. John Sekabira partnered with Archie foundation Scotland UK to create the first Paediatric Surgery theatre in Uganda. This went on to evolve Kids'OR that has constructed over 60 operating theatres for Children in Africa and South America. Dr. Sekabira is board member of GICS and founding fellow of COSECSA. His clinical and research interests are in Neonatal Surgery and Paediatric Oncology.

### Dr Nasser Kakembo



Nasser Kakembo is Ugandan born. He qualified as a Medical Officer in 2001, and as a General Surgeon in 2011 from Makerere University College of Health Sciences, and in 2016 he qualified as a Pediatric Surgeon and became a Fellow of the College of Surgeons of East Central and Southern Africa. Nasser is involved in the care and surgery for children at Mulago National Referral and Teaching Hospital since 2012. He is a lecturer at Makerere University College of Health Sciences and teaches medical students, general surgery residents and Pediatric Surgery fellows, and has supervised several candidates for their Masters theses. His research maintains a prospective data base for pediatric surgery patients admitted on the Pediatric Surgery unit which he pioneered and initiated in 2012 and several papers have jointly

been published with other collaborators. He is the General secretary for the Association of Surgeons of Uganda since 2016 and has been involved in organizing General Surgery outreach camps and mission trips in different regions of Uganda with the main objective of increasing accessibility of safe Surgery to the population. Nasser is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons 2020. His dream is to see Makerere University produce doctors and surgeons who are safe to the population and able to embrace the technology advancements in the field of surgery.

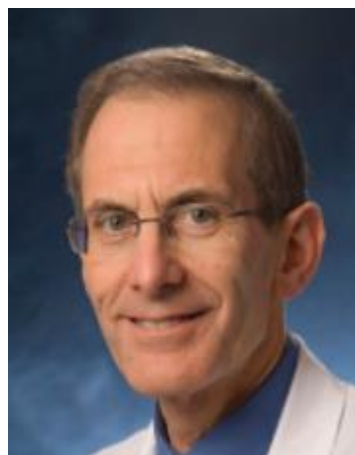


### **Dr Bindi Naik-Mathuria**



Dr. Bindi Naik-Mathuria is a paediatric surgeon in Houston, TX, affiliated with Baylor College of Medicine. She is board certified in general surgery, paediatric surgery and surgical critical care, and is trained in public health. She is experienced in pediatric surgical oncology, trauma, and general pediatric surgery. Dr. Naik-Mathuria was born and raised in Kenya, and is passionate about global surgery, especially improving the care of children with cancer in low-resource settings and reducing disparities. She is a member of many Paediatric Surgical associations, including the International Society of Paediatric Surgical Oncology and is an active member of the Global Initiative for Children's Surgery Oncology committee.

### **Dr. Jed Nuchtern**



Dr. Nuchtern is Chief of Global Surgery at Texas Children's Hospital and Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine. As a member of the Surgical Oncology Team at Texas Children's, he is actively involved with taking care of patients with neuroblastoma, liver cancer, renal tumors and sarcomas. In his general surgery practice, he performs general and thoracic surgery on infants and children, as well as caring for patients with chest wall deformities. He is active in surgical education of students and residents. In his global surgery role, he leads Texas Children's efforts to support pediatric surgical training programs in underserved countries. Dr. Nuchtern is certified by the American Board of Surgery in General Surgery, Pediatric Surgery and Surgical Critical Care.

## Case presentations:

### Rovine Naluyimbazi



Dr. Rovine Naluyimbazi is a Fellow of Paediatric Surgery at Mulago National Referral Hospital training under COSECESA. She is a Member of Uganda Medical Association (UMA) and Association of Surgeons of Uganda (ASOU) She obtained her Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree, and a Master's of Medicine in Surgery degree from the College of Health Sciences, Makerere University. She has 8 years' experience in medical practice, with special interest in Paediatric Surgery. She has also worked at Makerere University Joint AIDS project (MJAP), a tertiary HIV care centre as a Medical Officer. As a fellow, Dr. Naluyimbazi actively participates in training and supervision of medical students and residents at Makerere University. She has a special interest in neonatal surgery. She is also interested in clinical research. Dr. Naluyimbazi lives in Kampala, Uganda with her husband and three daughters. She enjoys spending time with her family, reading, swimming and adventure.

### Kagiso Batka



Dr Kagiso Batka is a South African specialist paediatric surgeon from Pretoria and University of Pretoria. Since 2020 she is working in Mankweng-Polokwane Hospital Complex and is a senior lecturer at the University of Limpopo. She is the African co-ordinator of IPSO young surgeons, Executive Leader of Innovation & Education in IPEG, the youngest & first African doctor for Prenetics and DNAFit (London). She is an international speaker of note and has presented several paediatric surgery topics globally. Dr Batka's skills and expertise include paediatric oncology surgery, neonatal and general paediatric surgery, paediatric trauma, urology, gynaecology, gastroenterology and minimal access surgery. Her vision is to provide excellent 'world-class' paediatric surgery services and healthcare to the children of Africa. Multi-talented, born-leader, athletic, fun-loving and always laughing are but a few words to describe her. She is unarguably, unique!

### Amarylis Mapurisa



Amarylis Mapurisa is Consultant Paediatric Surgeon at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital in Blantyre, Malawi. She holds a fellowship in Paediatric Surgery from the College of Surgeons of East, Central and Southern Africa. She is a board member on the Malawi chapter of Women in Surgery group. Amarylis is involved in training medical students, general and paediatric surgery registrars. Her research areas are clinical aspects and multiple areas of general paediatric surgery as well as Paediatric oncology. Amarylis, has a special interest in neonatal surgery and some areas of Paediatric surgical oncology.



## Stella Nimanya



Stella Alice Nimanya is a paediatric surgeon who was born and raised in Kampala, Uganda. She completed her Undergraduate Degree at Mbarara University, Uganda, and her internship at Mulago National Referral hospital. She worked as a medical officer at a Private Non-For-Profit hospital in remote Eastern Uganda (Kumi Hospital, Ongino) and at The Aga Khan University Hospital, Kampala. In 2015, she commenced general surgical training at Makerere University, after which she trained in Paediatric Surgery under the College of Surgeons of East Central and Southern Africa (COSECSA) in 2018, where she was mentored by great pediatric surgeons from local and international collaborative faculty on the Paediatric Surgery Unit at Mulago National Referral Hospital. She is currently working with the Paediatric surgery team at Mulago National

Referral Hospital, is a member of the Association of surgeons of Uganda (ASOU), Women in Surgery Africa (WISA) and the Global Initiative for Children's surgery (GICS). She aspires to mentor residents and fellows training in surgery to better themselves, not only as surgeons but as individuals as well. Aside from paediatric surgery, she enjoys a good book, good music, playing badminton and swimming.

## Cecelia Rengura



Dr Cecilia Rengura is a Namibian pediatric surgeon currently practice at Windhoek Central hospital, Namibia since late 2021. She completed her MBCHB at Stellenbosch University in South Africa in 2010, worked as an intern in Windhoek at Katutura state hospital 2011-2012 and as a medical officer in general surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, and critical care unit 2013-2015 before specializing in Pediatric surgery via college of medicine of South Africa under University of Cape Town at Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital.

Dr Rengura has a special interest in pediatric surgical oncology, congenital reconstructive pediatric surgery & minimal invasive pediatric surgery. She is involved in research pertaining pediatric surgical services in Namibia. Due to her passion in disseminating medical knowledge, she is involved in lecturing final year medical students at University of Namibia and pediatric surgical interns. Dr Rengura is a member of Pan African Pediatric Surgical Association (PAPSA), Global Initiative of Children's Surgery (GICS) and British Association of Pediatric Surgery (BAPS). She has presented on continental and international platforms on several topics of clinical pediatric surgery. Dr Rengura dreams of an Africa with unlimited centers of excellence in pediatric surgical services, innovation and in academics and this dream have started with her daily aspiring to provide such a service in Namibia to every child under her care.

## Panelists:

### Dr Israel Luutu (Radiation Oncologist)



Dr Israel Luutu is a consultant radiologist (clinical oncology and radiology) with 22 years experience. He completed his residency in Radiology at Makerere University and fellowship training at the University of Witwatersrand, South Africa. He is a fellow of the South African College of Radiation Oncologists. He specializes in cancer care and diagnostic radiology.

### Dr Valeria Nabossa (Radiologist)



Dr Valeria Nabossa is a specialist radiation Oncologist who works at International Hospital Kampala. She has a Masters of Medicine in radiology. She is a member of the Uganda Radiographers association and the Uganda Medical practitioners Association and has a special interest in Paediatric radiology.

### Dr Sam Kalungi (Pathologist)



Dr Sam Kalungi is a senior consultant in clinical and forensic pathology. He took his masters degree at Makerere University and his PhD in Pathology at UiB. During his PhD he researched Burkitt's Lymphoma, which is common among Ugandan children. After completing his studies he came back to Kampala where he started working as a specialist. He teaches both under and post graduates in medicine.