

# 16<sup>th</sup> International Conference on AIDS and STIs in Africa



## Own, Scale-up & Sustain

The International Conference on AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections in Africa (ICASA) is a major international AIDS conference that takes place biennially in Africa. ICASA provides a forum for the exchange of scientific knowledge, experiences and best practices on HIV and AIDS, and STIs in Africa and around the globe.

ICASA 2011, which will be held from 4-8 December 2011 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, aims to serve as a platform for sharing of progress towards universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support in the continent, which is a milestone of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG 6).

## ICASA 2011 Objectives

- Serve as an advocacy platform to mobilize African leaders, partners and the communities to increase ownership, commitment and support for the response to HIV, AIDS, STIs, TB and Malaria.
- Provide a forum for exchange of knowledge, skills and consolidation of experiences and best practices in Africa and around the globe to scale up evidence based response on HIV/AIDS, STIs, TB and Malaria to achieve the MDGs.
- Provide a forum to link and hold accountable political and national leaders, the scientific community, practitioners, communities, civil societies, the private sector and partners to scale-up and sustain the response to HIV/AIDS/STIs, TB and Malaria.
- Create opportunities to define priorities and set policy and program agenda to enhance mobilization and effective utilization of resources.

## ICASA 2011 Significance

The 16th ICASA takes place at a significant moment. The year marks:

- The 30th year after AIDS was first discovered as a new disease;
- 10 years after the United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) Political Declaration on AIDS; and
- 5 years after the Global Declaration towards Universal Access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.

# ICASA 2011, Dec.04-08

## Conference Highlights

### Scientific Abstracts

- **Oral Abstract Sessions:** Young People and Sexuality, Gender and HIV Vulnerability, Communities at the Center of Response, Adverse Events-The Downside of ART, HIV: Drug Resistance Development, and more.
- **Oral Poster Discussion Sessions:** Gender and HIV Vulnerability, HIV Prevention Interventions, Addressing Stigma, Social Media for HIV Prevention, and more.

### Leadership Program and Community Program

(Non-Abstract Driven Sessions)

- HIV Science Update: From Rome to Addis,
- PMTCT Services in Africa,
- Disability and HIV in Africa,
- The Impact of Alcohol and Substance Abuse on HIV Intervention and Treatment,
- Contribution of CSOs in achieving UNGASS and MDGs Commitment, and more.

### Special Sessions

- Leaders' Panel,
- First Ladies' Panel,
- HIV and Bio-medical Research in Africa, and more.

### Plenary Sessions

- Corporate Social Responsibility,
- Ministerial Panel and more.

### Satellite Sessions

- Awarding "Statements of Best Practices",
- Treatment, Scaling up Preventions, and more.

### Workshops

- Scientific,
- Leadership and Community workshops

## ICASA at a Glimpse

(List of the last 15 ICASA + Themes)

2008	Dakar, Senegal	Africa's Response: Face the Fact
2005	Abuja, Nigeria	HIV/AIDS and the Family
2003	Nairobi, Kenya	Access to Care: Challenges
2001	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	The Communities Commit Themselves
1999	Lusaka, Zambia	Looking into the Future
1997	Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire	AIDS and Development
1995	Kampala, Uganda	Challenges and Hopes
1993	Marrakech, Morocco	African Unity Against AIDS and STDs
1992	Yaoundé, Cameroon	Clean and Safe Blood for All
1991	Dakar, Senegal	
1990	Kinshasa, DR Congo	Struggle Against AIDS in Africa
1989	Marseille, France	Epidemiology of AIDS in Africa
1988	Arusha, Tanzania	AIDS and Associated cancer in Africa
1987	Naples, Italy	Science in Challenging AIDS
1986	Brussels, Belgium	AIDS in Africa



Follow us:  
<http://www.facebook.com/ICASA2011>  
<https://twitter.com/#!/icasa2011>

ICASA website: <http://icasa2011addis.org> Telephone: +251 – 115-50-46-09  
Email: [coordinator@icasa2011addis.org](mailto:coordinator@icasa2011addis.org), [mediarelations@icasa2011addis.org](mailto:mediarelations@icasa2011addis.org)