



## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Time	Session
<b>Day 1: Welcome Session</b>	
9:30 . 10:00 am   Registration	
10:00 . 10:10 am	<b>Opening Speech</b> Opening keynote – H.E. Sawsan Al-Fahoum Jafar, Chairperson & President of the Board of Directors, Friends of Cancer Patients, UAE.
10:10 . 10:20 am	Opening keynote – H.E. Dr. AbdulRahman Bin Mohamed Al Owais, Minister of Ministry of Health & Prevention – UAE
10:20 . 10:30 am	Opening keynote – Dr. Rana A. Hajjeh Director, Program Management (DPM) WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office, WHO-EMRO, Egypt
10:30 . 10:40 am	Opening keynote – Dr. Hala Youssef, Sexual and Reproductive Health Advisor, UNFPA-ASRO
10:40 . 10:45 am	Video
10:45 . 11:00 am	Coffee Break
<b>Theme 1: Monitoring Framework on Cervical Cancer - A Collaborative Project between FOCP &amp; UNFPA</b>	
11:00 . 11:20 am	<b>Keynote - Monitoring &amp; Evaluation Framework to Track the Progress of Cervical Cancer Elimination in the Region</b> <i>Ms. Nahla Sakr , M&amp;E Specialist, UNFPA-ASRO</i>
11:20 . 11:50 am	<b>Session 1 – Progress of the Six Pilot Countries Towards the Elimination of Cervical Cancer</b> <i>Ms. Yasmin Baligh, Program Associate, UNFPA-ASRO</i>
11:50 . 12:30 pm	<b>Panel Discussion 1 – What is Needed for Successful Scale-up of Cervical Cancer Prevention Strategies?</b> <i>Panelist 1 – Dr. Sulafa Abdalla, Mazaya Organization, Sudan</i> <i>Panelist 2 – Dr. Aydah Al Awadhi, Consultant Medical Oncologist, Tawam Hospital, UAE</i> <i>Panelist 3 – Ms. Maysoon Loulou, EEMEA Regional Vaccine Policy &amp; Government Affairs Director, MSD</i> <i>Panelist 4 – Dr. Maribel Almonte, Implementation Scientist on Cervical Cancer Screening, Treatment &amp; Implementation Research at IARC</i> <i>Moderator – Dr. Zied Mhersi, Senior Director, Global Health Strategies, New York</i>
<b>Theme 2: WHO Regional Elimination Strategy for Cervical Cancer</b>	
12:30 . 12:50 pm	<b>Keynote - WHO: Update on Regional Cervical Cancer Elimination Strategy</b> <i>Dr. Lamia Mahmoud, Regional Advisor, Noncommunicable Diseases Prevention (NCP), WHO-EMRO</i>
12:50 . 01:10 pm	<b>Session 2 – Embracing a women’s health lens in support to cervical cancer elimination efforts: A perspective from the East Mediterranean Region</b> <i>Dr. Mohamed Afifi, Regional Advisor, Women’s Health, WHO-EMRO</i>
01:10 . 02:00 pm	<b>Panel discussion 2 – Emerging innovations to support elimination of cervical cancer</b> <i>Panelist 1 – Dr. Eiman Al Tawheed, Consultant Gynecology at Kuwait Cancer Centre</i> <i>Panelist 2 – Prof. Humaid Al Shamsi, President of Emirates Oncology Society, UAE</i> <i>Panelist 3 – Ms. Gertraud Eckart, Regional Oncology Director - MSD</i> <i>Panelist 4 – Dr. Kamal Fahmy, Medical Officer, Vaccine Preventable Diseases and Immunization - WHO-EMRO</i> <i>Moderator – Dr. Nasim Pourghazian, Technical Officer, WHO-EMRO</i>
2:00 . 2:20 pm	<b>Recap day 1</b> <i>Ms. Reem Ahmadieh, Senior Associate, GHS, UAE</i>



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<b>Day 2</b> 9:30 . 10:00 am   Registration	
<b>Theme 3: Communication, Advocacy &amp; Social Mobilization</b>	
10:00 . 10:20 am	<b>Keynote – Advocacy &amp; Partnerships: Mobilizing for Effective Cervical Cancer Prevention</b> <i>Dr. Eiman Al Tawheed, Consultant Gynecology at Kuwait Cancer Centre, Kuwait</i>
10:20 . 10:40 am	<b>Session 1 – Communication Strategies to Raise Awareness, Improve Social Acceptance &amp; Ensure Success of Elimination Efforts</b> <i>Dr. Fatimah Alhamlan, Founder, Rofaida Women's Health Organization, KSA</i>
10:40 . 11:00 am	<b>Session 2 – Youth Voices: Lessons learnt from NCD prevention and control that can be applied to Cervical Cancer Prevention</b> <i>Ms. Radhika Shrivastav, Senior Director, Health Related Information Dissemination Amongst Youth (HRIDAY), India</i>
11:00 . 11:20 am	<b>Importance of Early Screening &amp; Impact of Communication Delays</b> <i>Ms. Fathea Salama, Patient Advocate, Qatar</i>
11:20 . 11:35 am	Coffee Break
<b>Theme 4: Shared Experiences from the Healthcare Field in the EMR Region</b>	
11:35 . 11:55 am	<b>HPV Vaccination Programs &amp; Cervical Cancer Screening Programs in the Region</b> <i>Dr. Mohammed Benazzouz, Head of the National Vaccination Program, Morocco</i>
11:55 . 12:45 pm	<b>Panel Discussion 1: Countries' Experiences: Lessons, Challenges &amp; Future Prospects</b> <i>Panelist 1 – Dr. Buthaina Bin Belaila, Consultant family physician, Head of Non-communicable disease &amp; mental health, MOHAP, UAE</i> <i>Panelist 2 – Dr. Hadi Abu Rasheed, Scientific Advisor, Head of the Cancer Awareness and Professional Development Department, Qatar Cancer Society</i> <i>Panelist 3 – Dr. Loubna Abousselham, Head of the early detection service for breast and cervical cancer, Morocco</i> <i>Panelist 4 – Dr. Amna Alhajj, Cervical cancer program NCDC, Libya</i> <i>Moderator – Ms. Reem Ahmadieh, Senior Associate (GHS), UAE</i>
12:45 . 01:10 pm	<b>Session 2: Reflections of the Third Sharjah Cervical Cancer Forum &amp; the way forward</b> <i>Mr. Majed Mohammed, FOCP</i> <i>Dr. Hala Youssef, UNFPA-ASRO</i> <i>Dr. Lamia Mahmoud, WHO-EMRO</i>
<b>Closing Session</b>	
01:10 . 01:30 pm	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <i>Ms. Aisha Al Mulla, Director of Friends of Cancer Patients, UAE</i>