

On behalf of the Cardio Oncology Society of Southern Africa, we extend a heartfelt gratitude to our delegates, faculty and industry for their support towards our **COSOSA Conference, hosted 19 to 20 April 2024 at the Vineyard Hotel, Newlands, Cape Town.**



The COSOSA Conference 2024, as always, aimed to address the cardiovascular adverse sequelae of cancer therapy. Attendees engaged in interdisciplinary learning, discussions, and networking with international and national leaders in cardiovascular health management for cancer patients. The conference covered topics such as cardiovascular disease in haematology patients, modern approaches to cancer therapy-related cardiac dysfunction (CTRCD), complications of endocrine therapies, and advancements in cardiac surgery for cancer patients and survivors. Additionally, sessions addressed the intersection of radiotherapy and interventional cardiology in managing cardiovascular complications in cancer care. Moreover, discussions extended to new treatments for solid cancers and their implications in cardio-oncology practice.

Two keynote lectures framed the conference's discussions. The first, "Reflections on the ESC guidelines on cardio-oncology in 2024" by Teresa Lopez Fernandez & Alex Lyon, provided insights into contemporary guidelines and their implications. The second keynote, "Anti-Coagulation Choices in Cancer Patients. What should we do?" chaired by Trishun Singh and delivered by Sebastian Szmit.

The conference welcomed experts from various parts of the world, including Dr Alex Lyon (ESC Cardio Oncology Council Chair, UK), Prof Susan Dent (IC-OS President, USA), Dr Tharshini Ramalingam (UK), Dr Susannah Stanway (UK), Mr Ulrich Rosendahl (UK), Dr Deborah Morris-Rosendahl (UK), Dr Magdalena Zaborowska-Szmit (Poland), Prof Sebastian Szmit (Poland), Dr Sohaib Nazir (UK), Prof Chris Plummer (UK), and Prof Ruth Plummer (UK).

We are overwhelmed by the excellent feedback received from the delegates who rated the meeting as very good and beneficial. The In-person attendance of the COSOSA Conference was well attended by Healthcare **Professionals (HCP's)** including **Cardiologists, Radiation- and Medical Oncologists, Cardiology- and Oncology Fellows, Surgeons, Haematologists, Radiologists, Endocrinologists, Specialist Physicians, General Practitioners, Pharmacists, and allied health professionals** involved in the management of cancer patients.

COSOSA values your contributions to the success of this meeting. We aim to continue this success through future educational events, enhancing awareness of Cardio-Oncology in Africa, and ultimately **improving the lives of cancer patients.**

We do hope that you will join us for the **Global Cardio Oncology Summit 2025**, hosted by **COSOSA and the International Cardio-Oncology Society (IC-OS)**!

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