## **CONGRESS NEWS**

## SAUA/PAUSA joint 2024 congress report back

The South African Urological Association (SAUA) hosted its 34th Biennial Congress in conjunction with the 16th Pan African Urological Association (PAUSA) Congress. It was held from 11–15 September 2024 at the Indaba Hotel in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Prof Shingai Mutambirwa was the academic chair with his team from the Sefako Makgatho Health Science University (SMU). Joint chair was PAUSA's secretary Dr Mohamed Jalloh from the Hôpital Général de Grand Yoff, Dakar, Senegal.

The chairs were ably assisted by Dr Jeff John (Walter Sisulu University, East London) to put together a comprehensive programme including plenary sessions, semi-live surgery, and panel discussions, focusing on advances in urology. Additionally, there were pre-congress masterclasses, social excursions and a full nurse's programme.

Highlights included PAUSA's Mohamed Jollah's presentation on opportunities for expanding urology on the continent. EUA invited speaker, Prof Arnulf Stenzl, Tübingen who gave an update on low-risk prostate cancer and Prof James N'Dou, Aberdeen who proposed including the SAUA in a collaborative cancer registry.

The following prizes and awards were handed out at the gala dinner:

**Honorary membership award:** Prof Kurt McCammon (USA) &

Prof Sanjay Kulkarni (India)

Prof Chris Heyns Memorial merit award: Prof Shingai

Mutambirwa & Dr Frans van Wijk
Van Blerk prize: Dr Eduan Delport
Karl Storz trophy: Dr Pieter Spies

President's medal: Dr Tebogo Maphuthi Lebelo

Below are some photographs from the event.





Post-congress social tour and Rajeev Kumar (SIU president, extreme right)





Mohamed Jollah (PAUSA secretary), Arnulf Stenzl (EUA invited guest) and Kurt McCammon (USA)



 $Dr\ Pieter\ Spies\ (centre)\ won\ the\ Karl\ Storz\ prize\ and\ right\ Prof\ Papa\ Fall\ (PAUSA\ president)\ with\ Dr\ Jollah$ 



Prof Claasen with his team (left)



Prof Vanessa Hayes (Australia) and Prof Kurt McCammon (IVUmed and AUA) with Dr Greg Webb



Dr Evelyn Moshokoa and gala dinner guests





Gala dinner guests



Dr Jeff John, East London (left), University of Stellenbosch team (right)



 ${\sf SAUA\ exec-Greg\ Webb,\ James\ Urry\ and\ Dave\ Smart\ and\ right\ Dr\ Fans\ van\ Wijk\ and\ Dr\ Pieter\ Spies}$ 



Prof James N'Dow (Aberdeen and EUA) and Prof Shingai Mutambrwa (SMU)