Preliminary Program

Friday, 28 July:

15:30 – 16:45  Tea, registration and check-in

16:45 – 17:00  Welcoming address: Prof Tess van der Merwe

17:00 – 18:00  First plenary lecture: Prof Philip Schauer  
(Professor of Surgery at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine and Director of the Cleveland Clinic Bariatric and Metabolic Institute)  
Chair: Dr Ian Marr  
‘Understanding the long-term efficacy of bariatric surgery on type 2 diabetes’

18:00 – 19:00  Snack platter and champagne

19:00 – 19:15  SASSO Award: Lifetime achievement in the field of cardio-metabolic medicine  
Prof Tess van der Merwe to do prize giving

19:15 – 20:00  Award winning lecture: Prof James Ker (SA)  
Chair: Dr Etienne Swanepoel  
‘What is the evidence?’

Saturday, 29 July:

08:30 – 09:30  First webinar: Prof Christopher Szabo (SA)  
Chair: Dr Francois Schutte  
‘Understanding eating disorders’
09:30 – 10:30  Ethics lecture: Prof Mervyn Mer (SA)
Chair: Dr Nico van Niekerk
‘The year in review’

10:30 – 11:00  Invited lecture: Dr Heidi Lombaard (SA)
Chair: Dr John-Barry Fichardt
‘Anesthesia in bariatric surgery’

11:00 – 11:30  Tea break

11:30 – 12:30  Named lecture: ‘Per Björntorp lecture’ Prof Philip Schauer
(Professor of Surgery at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine and Director of the Cleveland Clinic Bariatric and Metabolic Institute)
Chair: Prof Tess van der Merwe
‘Why the DSS guidelines and STAMPEDE trial matters and what to do next’

12:30 – 13:00  CEMMS speaker: Prof Tess van der Merwe (SA)
Chair: Dr Sudha Naidoo
‘New Data for SA’

13:00 – 14:00  Lunch

14:00 – 15:00  Second webinar: What the general practitioner needs to know
Chair: Dr Andre Potgieter
15 minutes each
Mr David Goncalves: Understanding the brittleness of the obese patient
Dr Gert du Toit: How to select the right patient
Dr Andre Potgieter: How to identify possible complications
Dr Irshaad Ebrahim: Sleep apnea in the obese

15:00 – 15:30  Invited lecture: Dr Gary Fetter (SA)
Chair: Dr Danie Fölcher
‘What does the bariatric outcome data show for Waterfall City Hospital?’

15:30 – 16:30  Tea break

16:30 – 18:00  Board meeting: Prof Tess van der Merwe and board members

20:00  Gala dinner & awards:
MC: Rian van Heerden
  •  Centre of the year
  •  Outstanding contribution in the field of obesity
Sunday, 30 July:

09:00 – 10:00  Champagne breakfast

10:00 – 13:00  Round table discussion: Moderator – Prof Tess van der Merwe
Questions from the floor (to be collected Fri/Sat)
5 – 7 minutes each

Participants:

10:00 – 11:00  First session: Surgery and complications

• G. Fetter
• A. Potgieter
• P. Schauer
• N. Van Niekerk
• G. Du Toit
• G. Heyns

11:00 – 11:30  Tea break

11:30 – 12:30  Second session: Procedure selection

• JB. Fichardt
• F. Schutte
• P. Schauer
• D. Föllcher
• I. Marr
• C. Cooper

12:30 – 12:50  Summary of the highlights
Dr Andre Potgieter

12:50 – 13:00  Closing remarks
Prof Tess van der Merwe