In 2019, around 690,000 people died from AIDS-related illnesses, mostly in Africa. The most common causes of death are tuberculosis, cryptococcal meningitis, cerebral toxoplasmosis and severe bacterial infections. This session will focus on the state of advanced HIV disease in resource limited settings. It will showcase progress and gaps in R&D as well as in implementation of WHO guidance for ending preventable and unacceptably high AIDS-related deaths. The session will end with a high-level panel to brainstorm what’s needed to end a four decade-old pandemic.

PROGRAMME

Introduction
- Co-chairs: Irene Mukui (DNDi) & Nathan Ford (WHO)

AHD: Current progress & future challenges
- Ajay Rangaraj (WHO)

Ending AIDS deaths with existing tests & treatments
- Moderator: Angela Loyse (SGUL, UK)
- Sayoki Mfinanga (NIMR, Tanzania)
- Nelesh Govender (NICD, South Africa)
- Graeme Meintjes (UCT, South Africa)

Overview of new developments
- Isabela Ribeiro (DNDi)

Panel: The way forward to ending AHD/AIDS deaths: Holding ourselves to account
- Moderator: Amanda Banda (Public health advocate)
- Ajay Rangaraj (WHO)
- Shannon Hader (UNAIDS)
- Zukiswa Pinini (National Department of Health, South Africa)
- Bactrin Killingo (ITPC)