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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

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25–26 November 2026 • Voco Hotel, Riyadh • 16 CME Hours*

A comprehensive two-day scientific conference for infection prevention, public health and clinical leaders, advancing safer healthcare through science, preparedness and collaboration.

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DAY ONE · 25 NOVEMBER 2026

Wednesday 25 November

اليوم الأول

Sessions one and two: emerging infectious diseases, public health and mass gatherings

07:00–08:00	Registration and attendee arrival Organising committee
07:30–08:00	**Opening ceremony** Dr Ahmed Alanzi

SESSION 1 — EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

08:00–09:00	**Tuberculosis: a World Health Organization perspective** Prof Ziad Memish
09:00–10:00	**Navigating the *Candida auris* threat in Saudi Arabia: prevalence and advances in prevention** Prof Atef Shibl
10:00–11:00	**Rapid molecular screening in infection control: from colonization to clinical decision** Dr Abdulaziz Alhazmi
11:00–11:45	**King Saud Medical City: an overview of current status and challenges** Dr Sarah Alfaraj
11:45–12:00	Panel discussion and audience Q&A Moderators: Mr Hassan & Ms Zahra
12:00–13:00	Prayer and lunch break

SESSION 2 — PUBLIC HEALTH & MASS GATHERINGS

13:00–14:00	**Prevention and protection: safeguarding pilgrims' health during Hajj and Umrah** Speaker to be confirmed

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DAY ONE · CONTINUED

Wednesday 25 November

اليوم الأول

Sessions two and three continued: public health and mass gatherings, accreditation and certification

SESSION 2 — PUBLIC HEALTH & MASS GATHERINGS (CONTINUED)

14:00–15:00	**Pandemic preparedness: lessons learned and pathways to future readiness**	Dr Majed Al-shamrani
15:00–15:15	Panel discussion and audience Q&A	Moderators: Mr Sami & Ms Nojoom
15:15–15:40	Coffee and prayer break	

SESSION 3 — ACCREDITATION & CERTIFICATION IN INFECTION CONTROL

15:40–16:40	**Infection-prevention regulatory readiness at GCS**	Prof Manaf Alqahtani
16:40–17:40	**CBAHI accreditation standards: a blueprint for healthcare excellence**	Prof Mohamed Garot
17:40–18:00	Interactive clinical session	Moderators: Mr Nadeem & Ms Mary Ann
18:00–18:10	Panel discussion and audience Q&A	Moderators: Dr Nazia & Mr Mishari
18:10	Day One closing remarks	Session moderators

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DAY TWO · 26 NOVEMBER 2026

Thursday 26 November

اليوم الثاني

Sessions four and five: clinical challenges and policy, outbreaks and AI innovation

07:00–08:00	Registration and attendee arrival	Organising committee
07:30–08:00	**Meet the Experts: interactive Q&A**	Prof Ziad Memish • Dr Ali Al-Barrak • Moderator: Ms Khulood

SESSION 4 — CLINICAL CHALLENGES & POLICY

08:00–09:00	**What's new in sepsis: current guidelines and clinical protocols**	Prof Yaseen Arabi
09:00–10:00	**Breaking barriers: reassessing work restrictions for people living with HIV or hepatitis**	Dr Ali Al-Barrak
10:00–10:10	Panel discussion and audience Q&A	Moderators: Dr Faleh & Ms Anwar

SESSION 5 — OUTBREAKS & AI INNOVATION

10:10–11:00	**National patient-safety priorities**	Mr Nawaf Al-Zahrani
11:00–12:00	**Beyond hospital walls: the future of IPC in long-term and home care**	Ms Ahlam Alamri
12:00–13:00	Prayer and lunch break	

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DAY TWO · CONTINUED

Thursday 26 November

اليوم الثاني

Sessions five and six continued: outbreaks and AI innovation, surveillance and diagnostics

SESSION 5 — OUTBREAKS & AI INNOVATION (CONTINUED)

13:00–14:00	**Artificial intelligence in infection surveillance and control: a game changer for healthcare** Dr Khaled Alnafee
13:30–13:40	Panel discussion and audience Q&A Moderators: Ms Faten & Mr Abdulaziz

SESSION 6 — SURVEILLANCE & DIAGNOSTICS

14:00–15:00	**MERS-CoV: an ongoing emerging-infectious-disease threat and its pandemic potential** Dr Bander Alosaime
15:00–15:25	Coffee and prayer break
15:30–16:00	Scientific poster presentations and review Judging committee
16:00–16:10	Panel discussion and audience Q&A Moderators: Mr Badawi & Ms Khadija
16:10	Closing remarks and award ceremony Conference Chair

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