










ISPPD-14 Programme at a Glance
17-21 May 2026

Plenary Session	Meet-the-Expert Session	Pre-Conference Workshop	Ceremony / Networking Event	Break
Special Session	Parallel Session	Poster Session	Industry-Sponsored Symposium	 Tickets available for purchase during registration

SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2026 (Pre-Conference Workshops)						
Time (Start - End)	Duration (min)	Hall D1	Auditorium 10	Auditorium 11	Auditorium 12	Offsite
9:00 - 12:00	180		Workshop: Getting the most out of conferences (3 hours) 	Workshop: WGS-based pneumococcal species and strain characterization (3 hours) 	Workshop: Workshop 03: Target Trial Emulation (3 hours) 	Workshop: Back to basics – pneumococcal identification and serotyping with classic techniques (6 hours + 1-hour break) 
12:00 - 13:00	60	Break				
13:00 - 16:00	180		Workshop: How well do pneumococcal vaccines really work? Connecting trial immunogenicity with real-world outcomes (3 hours) 	Workshop: Advances in metagenomics, syndromic panels, and PCR for diagnosing airway infections (3 hours) 	Workshop 07: Sustaining Strong Pneumonia Control Programs in Low- and Middle-Income Countries (3 hours) 	
17:20 - 18:00	40	Opening Ceremony				
18:00 - 19:00	60	Welcome Reception <i>(in Exhibition)</i>				

MONDAY, 18 MAY 2026

Time (Start - End)		Duration (min)	Hall D1	Auditorium 10	Auditorium 11	Auditorium 12
8:00	9:00	60	Industry Sponsored Symposium 01 <i>(not included in the main event CME/CPD credit)</i>			
9:00	9:05	5	Transition Break			
9:05	10:35	90	Plenary 01: Preventing pneumonia and pneumococcal disease in special populations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Malnourished children -Role of pneumococcal infections in HIV deaths in Africa -Indigenous populations -Risk and prevention in an aging society 			
10:35	11:05	30	Coffee Break, Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing			
11:05	12:20	75	Parallel 01: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 02: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 03: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 04: Oral Abstract Presentations
12:20	13:20	60	12:35-13:35 Lunch Break (Exhibition Area), Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing			
12:35	14:05	90	Industry Sponsored Symposium 02 <i>(not included in the main event CME/CPD credit)</i> 90 minutes from 12:35 to 14:05			
14:05	14:15	10	Transition Break			
14:15	15:45	90	Plenary 02: Diagnostic and treatment dilemmas posed by changes in pneumonia etiology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -New approaches to improve diagnosis and treatment of children with pneumonia -New approaches to improve diagnosis and treatment of adults with pneumonia -Metagenomics -The RESPIRE Network – improving survival from pneumonia in Asia 			
15:45	16:15	30	Poster Coffee Break, Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing			
16:15	17:05	50	Poster Viewing & E-Poster Discussions <i>(Poster Area)</i> E-Poster Spotlight 01 <i>(Station 01)</i> E-Poster Spotlight 02 <i>(Station 02)</i> E-Poster Spotlight 03 <i>(Station 03)</i> E-Poster Spotlight 04 <i>(Station 04)</i>			
17:05	17:15	10	Transition Break			
17:15	18:15	60	Meet-the-Expert 01: Implementation and uptake of new pneumococcal vaccines in immunocompromised populations – barriers and solutions	Meet-the-Expert 02: What to pick – conventional or molecular methods for pneumococcal surveillance	Meet-the-Expert 03: The difficult <i>Streptococcus mitis</i> group	Meet-the-Expert 04: Mediators of mucosal immunity to pneumococcus
19:00	20:30	90	Early Career Networking Night <i>(Offsite)</i>			



TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2026

Time (Start - End)		Duration (min)	Hall D1	Auditorium 10	Auditorium 11	Auditorium 12
8:00	9:00	60	Industry Sponsored Symposium 03 <i>(not included in the main event CME/CPD credit)</i>			
9:00	9:05	5	Transition Break			
9:05	10:35	90	Plenary 03: Pneumonia and pneumococcal vaccines in a changing world – climate, conflict, and coverage -New findings in the epidemiology of pneumonia as a cause of death in children and new tools for triaging cases -How well do pneumococcal vaccination campaigns work in humanitarian settings – a model's predictions -Climate change and emerging pneumonia patterns -Results of cluster RCT of mass campaigns of fractional dose PCV in children aged 1-9 in Niger			
10:35	11:05	30	Coffee Break, Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing			
11:05	12:20	75	Parallel 05: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 06: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 07: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 08: Oral Abstract Presentations
12:20	13:20	60	12:35-13:35 Lunch Break (Exhibition Area), Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing			
12:35	14:05	90	Industry Sponsored Symposium 04 <i>(not included in the main event CME/CPD credit)</i> 90 minutes from 12:35 to 14:05			
14:05	14:15	10	Transition Break			
14:15	15:45	90	Plenary 04: Optimising the infant PCV schedule -Reaching all children with pneumococcal vaccines – why reduced dose schedules are an important issue -Efficacy of 3 vs 2 dose schedules -The impact of a 2-dose schedule, UK experience -NITAG's role in optimising the PCV program in Lao PDR			
15:45	16:15	30	Poster Coffee Break, Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing			
16:15	17:05	50	Poster Viewing & E-Poster Discussions <i>(Poster Area)</i>			
			E-Poster Spotlight 05 <i>(Station 01)</i>			
			E-Poster Spotlight 06 <i>(Station 02)</i>			
			E-Poster Spotlight 07 <i>(Station 03)</i>			
			E-Poster Spotlight 08 <i>(Station 04)</i>			
17:05	17:15	10	Transition Break			
17:15	18:15	60	Meet-the-Expert 05: Pneumococcal disease in an aging world and vaccination strategies -Understanding pneumococcal infection in older adults -Vaccination strategies for adults in the era of childhood vaccination	Meet-the-Expert 06: Pneumococcal serotype-specific epidemiology – outbreaks	Meet-the-Expert 07: Pneumococcal pneumonia and evaluation of the immune system – primary immune defects	Meet-the-Expert 08: Pneumococcal vaccine coverage and equity in a changing world
19:00	20:30	90	Sputum Cup – Høvdinglebold (Dodgeball)			



WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2026

Time (Start - End)		Duration (min)	Hall D1	Auditorium 10	Auditorium 11	Auditorium 12	
8:00	9:00	60				Industry Sponsored Symposium 05 <i>(not included in the main event CME/CPD credit)</i>	
9:00	9:05	5	Transition Break				
9:05	10:35	90	Plenary 05: Bacterial and viral interactions -Coinfections, coprotections – interactive effects between detecting and preventing viral and bacterial pneumonia -Update on strategies to prevent RSV disease – what works and when will they be globally available? -Characterization of nasal microbial dynamics and related host response in children -Real-world evidence for potential mutual RSV-pneumococcus protection by vaccines				
10:35	11:05	30	Coffee Break, Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing				
11:05	12:20	75	Parallel 09: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 10: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 11: Oral Abstract Presentations	Parallel 12: Oral Abstract Presentations	
12:20	13:20	60	12:35-13:35 Lunch Break (Exhibition Area), Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing				
12:35	13:50	75	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Session 75 minutes from 12:35 to 13:50				
13:50	14:00	10	Transition Break				
14:00	15:30	90	Plenary 06: Hot topics and new ideas – results from Robert Austrian Research Award winners				
15:30	16:00	30	Coffee Break, Visit Exhibition and Poster Viewing				
16:00	17:00	60	Meet-the-Expert 09: Global pneumococcal sequence clusters – a guide for the perplexed	Meet-the-Expert 10: The microbiome and pneumococcal carriage – emerging insights	Meet-the-Expert 11: Pro and con – adjunctive macrolide for CAP -Pro -Con	Meet-the-Expert 12: Hib Initiative Reunion Session	
17:00	17:10	10	Transition Break				
17:10	18:10	60	Robert Austrian Lecture and Awards				
19:30	23:30	240	Networking Dinner (Offsite)				

THURSDAY, 21 MAY 2026

Time (Start - End)		Duration (min)	Auditorium 11&12
8:00	9:30	90	Plenary 07: Combatting antimicrobial resistance in pneumonia and pneumococcal disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can vaccines against AMR shape future policy Pneumococcal genomics for public health and surveillance of antimicrobial resistance Addressing the problem of antimicrobial resistant pathogens causing severe pneumonia and meningitis in Low and middle income countries How antibiotic treatment affects detection of pneumococci by urine antigen and other diagnostic methods
9:30	9:40	10	<i>Transition Break</i>
9:40	11:10	90	Plenary 08: Pneumococcal carriage – guidelines, gaps, and global use <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WHO Epidemiological carriage standards Scientific and methodological discussion Clinical and epidemiological overlap with acute respiratory infections Application of carriage data to guide policy
11:10	11:30	20	<i>Coffee Break (Foyer Area)</i>
11:30	13:00	90	Plenary 09: Extended-valency pneumococcal vaccines – opportunities and immunological challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What 15, 20, and 24-valent vaccines promise Biocreep and replacement Reduced immune responses with additional antigen(s) Modelling the public health impact of extended-valency vaccines
13:00	13:20	20	Closing Ceremony