



The Alliance for
Malaria Prevention

Joint Annual Meetings of the SMC Alliance and the Alliance for Malaria Prevention

FEBRUARY 24 - 27. 2026

Speke Resort Munyonyo

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Kampala, 7036, Uganda**

The Seasonal Malaria Chemoprevention (SMC) Alliance and the Alliance for Malaria Prevention (AMP) Partnership will convene their first joint annual meetings from 24–27 February 2026 with both in-person and virtual participation.

Throughout Days 1 and 2 (February 24-25), all participants will come together in fully integrated plenary sessions combining SMC and AMP. On Days 3 and 4 (February 26-27), the programme will transition to parallel standalone sessions for SMC/chemoprevention and ITNs in different rooms.

Agenda: February 22, 2026

For days 1 and 2, the meeting focus will be on adapting to a changing environment, including:

- Costs, cost-efficiencies and trade-offs for malaria
- Planning and operational adaptations
- Optimizing the effectiveness of digital tools
- Optimizing integration opportunities
- Reaching targets in complex operating environments

Day 1: February 24, 2026

Time	Topic
8:00 – 8:55	Registration, arrival of participants
9:00 – 9:30	Welcome from Government of Uganda Dr Charles Olaro, Director General Health Services Hon Margaret Muhanga Mugisa, Minister of State for Health (Primary Health Care) Hon Thomas Tayebwa, Deputy Speaker
9:30 – 10:00	Welcome from partners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBM Partnership to End Malaria – Hana Bilak, CRSPC • SMC Alliance - Christian Kompaore, NMCP Burkina Faso • AMP Partnership - Jason Peat, IFRC • Recognition of Jean-Louis Ndiaye - Fatimata Bintou Sall, Université de Thiès • Country-introductions (in the room and online) - Jason Peat
10:00 – 10:20	Uganda experience: Digitized tools and integration for improved efficiencies and outcomes of malaria prevention services in a changing environment Jane Irene Nabakooza, NMED
10:20 – 10:30	Engaging decision-makers for sustained support for malaria elimination: A case for Uganda Abena Poku Awuku, MMV
10:30 – 10:45	Question and answer, discussion
10:45 – 10:55	Group photo
10:55 – 11:10	Coffee/tea
11:10 – 11:40	WHO: General technical updates (chemoprevention, vector control) Peter Olumese, WHO
11:40 – 12:00	Question and answer, discussion
12:00 – 13:00	Panel discussion - Funding landscape <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the changes for funders and governments this year? • What types of information will be needed for decision-making on financing? Moderator: Dr. Foluke Olusegun, ALMA Panel members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kate Kolaczinski, The Global Fund • Julian Austin, Against Malaria Foundation • Marinella Capriati, Givewell

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seynude Jean-Fortune Dagnon, The Gates Foundation • Hana Bilak, RBM CRSPC
13:00 – 13:50	Lunch
13:50 – 13:55	Introduction to PM session
	Moderator: Corine Karema, Africa Kwanza Health Impact
13:55 – 14:35	<p>Maximizing impact with scarce resources: Planning difficult choices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the economics of malaria intervention choices Catherine Pitt, LSHTM • ITN prioritization and case management trade-offs: A decision-support tool Tasmin Symons, MAP
14:35 – 14:50	Question and answer, discussion
14:50 – 15:35	<p>Chemoprevention adaptations to work within a reduced funding environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guinea Bissau: Adapting to work in an environment with limited funds Mouhammed Ould Hamed, NMCP • Cameroon SMC: Mitigation plan to overcome the stop work order of PMI/USAID Albert Zeh Meka, NMCP • Adapting the 2025 SMC campaign in Niger in the face of budgetary constraints: Guidelines for rationalising costs and strengthening results Ibrahima Oubandawaki, NMCP
15:35 – 15:55	Question and answer, discussion
15:55 – 16:15	Coffee/tea
16:15 – 17:00	<p>ITN campaign adaptations to work within a reduced funding environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximizing impact, minimizing cost: Lessons from an optimized ITN mass campaign pilot in Morogoro, Tanzania Peter Gitanya, NMCP • Nigeria: Lessons learned from applying cost optimization measures - what worked and what didn't Fatima Bukar Ali, NMEP • Burkina Faso: Optimization of operational costs for the ITN mass campaign, lessons learned and recommendations for the future Aminahire Thierry Ada, NMCP
17:00 – 17:20	Question and answer, discussion
17:20 – 17:30	Wrap up day 1
18:30 – 21:00	Opening cocktail reception

Day 2: February 25, 2026

Time	Topic
8:30 – 8:50	Arrival of participants, day 2 registration
8:50 – 9:00	Welcome to day 2 and introduction to AM session Moderator: Robert Opoku, IFRC/AMP
9:00 – 9:45	Measurement in the context of reduced funding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A framework for prioritizing surveillance to match available resources Jui Shah, SME Working Group Measurement in the context of reduced funding: Experience from Ghana Wahjib Mohammed, NMEP The Gambia: Improving data quality and use through streamlining and sharing (SMC & ITN campaigns) Olimatou Colley, NMCP
9:45– 10:05	Question and answer, discussion
10:05 – 10:50	Using digitalization to achieve efficiencies in health campaign operations • Digitalization and its importance in a resource-constrained environment: Maximizing the potential Victor Alegana, WHO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using digital technology to support large-scale malaria campaigns: the case of Guinea Alioune Camara, NMCP Digitalization of the 2025 SMC campaign in Côte d’Ivoire: How digital technology has revolutionized SMC coverage David Appeti, NMCP
10:50 – 11:10	Question and answer, discussion
11:10 – 11:40	Coffee/tea
11:40 – 12:25	Using digitalization to achieve efficiencies in health campaign operations – continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digitalization of SMC campaigns and the search for zero-dose children in Togo Théophile B. Damdjigle, NMCP Digitalized ITN distribution campaign in 2025: Burundi's experience and lessons learned Georgette Nibitanga, NMCP Ghana: Using digital workflows to enable integrated campaign delivery Christian Atta-Obeng, NMEP
12:25 – 12:45	Question and answer, discussion

12:45 – 13:45	Lunch
13:45 – 13:50	Introduction to afternoon session Moderator: Catherine Maiteki, Uganda NMED
13:50 – 14:40	Panel discussion: Integration of health services: When and how does it work best? Opportunities, pathways and practical limits for malaria prevention <i>Moderator:</i> Irene Kiiza, IFRC <i>Panel members:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yves Cyaka, Global Fund • Aurore Ogouyemi-Hounto, CNHU/IRCB Benin • Ernest Nwokolo, eGov • Uganda representative • Mercia Dimene, NMCP Mozambique
14:40 – 15:20	Co-delivery/integration of interventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chad: Model for integrating seasonal malaria chemoprevention campaigns with the distribution of oral rehydration salts and zinc Kodbessé Boulotigam and Hassane Moussa, NMCP • Benin: Use of the community health worker system for integrated service delivery Dr. Rock Aikpon, NMCP
15:20 – 15:35	Question and answer, discussion
15:35 – 16:00	Tea/coffee
16:00 – 17:10	Adaptations to achieve outcomes in complex operating environments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digitalization of SMC and ITN campaigns in COE: Global findings and recommendations Brenden Williams, HARP Working Group • Implementing SMC in South Sudan amid conflict, displacement and population movement Manot Dhel Nhomachot, NMCP • Mozambique: ITN distribution in Cabo Delgado - Adaptations to ensure ITN distribution in the face of conflict and a cyclone Ines Juleca, NMCP • Results and lessons learned in providing SMC in Kalobeyei and Kakuma refugee camps in Northwest Kenya David Ekai, Turkana County Malaria Coordinator • Sudan: ITN distribution campaign implementation in conflict context Hmooda Toto Kafy, FMOH
17:10 - 17:25	Question and answer, discussion
17:25 – 17:35	Wrap up speaker Dr. Robin Nandy, UNICEF representative in Uganda

17:35 – 17:40	Wrap up joint meeting, meeting evaluation and “directions” for days 3 and 4
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner: Presentation of final results from the PMC PLUS project (<i>Optional</i>)