



2026 GLOBAL MIND BRAIN HEALTH SUMMIT

PREVENTION - PROGRESS - PARTNERSHIPS AGENDA

DATE & TIME 20TH NOVEMBER 2026, 9.30AM-5.30PM

LOCATION CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

9.30-10.00am Registration, networking and coffee
10.00am Welcome
10.15am My journey, Mr Taurai Kadzviti (Epilepsy Support Foundation, Zimbabwe)

SESSION 1: WHERE ARE WE NOW? GLOBAL PRIORITIES AND PROGRESS

10.30-11.15am: GAMBIT Updates, Professor Arjune Sen (University of Oxford), Professor Pushpa Sharma (Nepal Public Health Foundation), Dr Caoimhe Twohig-Bennett (University of Oxford)

11.15AM **NETWORKING BREAK**

SESSION 2: WHAT CAN WE PREVENT? BUILDING BETTER MIND BRAIN HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFE COURSE

Chair: Professor Charles Newton (University of Oxford)

11.45am Reducing neonatal injury and optimising maternal outcomes, Professor Jane Hirst (Imperial College London)
12.00pm TOP: The Tanzanian Onchocerciasis Programme, Dr Vivian Mushi (Muhimbili University, Tanzania)
12.15pm Prevention of mental health disorders in LMICs, Professor Charlotte Hanlon (University of Edinburgh)
12.30pm Stroke - the greatest burden in sub-Saharan Africa? Dr Gift Ngwende (University of Zimbabwe)
12.45pm How can you possibly prevent dementia? Professor Chris Butler (Imperial College London)
1.00pm Discussion panel

1.30-2.30PM **LUNCH, MAIN HALL, CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE**

SESSION 3: HOW DO WE SHARE KNOWLEDGE? FROM RESEARCH TO REAL-WORLD IMPACT (FIRESIDE CHAT)

2.30-3.15pm Professor Kara Hanson (NIHR), Dr Jocalyn Clark (BMJ), Dr Mercy Atieno Odhiambo (KEMRI-Wellcome Trust)

SESSION 4: WHAT THREATENS BRAIN HEALTH? CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS IN A CONFLICTED WORLD

3.15-4.00pm *Chair: Lt. Col. Damian Jenkins (University of Oxford)*

Professor Myles Allen (University of Oxford), Professor Ben Ansell (University of Oxford), Professor Alexander Betts (University of Oxford), Dr Vivian Mushi (Muhimbili University), Professor Pushpa Sharma (Nepal Public Health Foundation)

4.00-4.20PM **NETWORKING BREAK**

SESSION 5: HOW DO WE FUND THE FUTURE? 21ST CENTURY OPPORTUNITIES

4.20-5.20pm *Co-chairs: Professor Arjune Sen (University of Oxford) and Mr Ben Howlett (Chamber UK)*
Ms Steph Bolton (LivaNova), Dr Agnese Cattaneo (Angelini Pharma), Mr Pankaj Gupta (Gulf Islamic Investments), Ms Gardiner Lapham (BAND Foundation), Ms Emily Miner (Wellcome Trust)

5.30PM **CONCLUDING REMARKS AND DRINKS RECEPTION**