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RESISTANCE

10 & 11  
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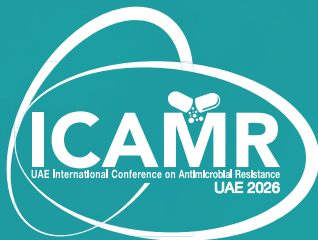
# Agenda

DAY 1 - Friday

10 April 2026

08:00 - 08:30	Registration	
08:30 - 10:00	Session 1: Antimicrobial Resistance	HALL A
	Chair: Ahmad Subhi	
08:30 - 08:50	Two-year outcomes of the GCC Expert Hub in IPC and AMR	Majid Al Shamrani
08:50 - 09:10	TBC	TBC
09:10 - 09:30	AMR in One Health partnerships	Jomana F. Musmar
09:30 - 09:50	Antimicrobial Resistance in the GCC: Regional Trends, Clinical Impact, and Stewardship Responses: How the GCC Is Shaping a Regional Model	Jameela Alsalman
09:50 - 10:00	Panel Discussion	
10:00 - 10:15	 Opening Ceremony	
10:15 - 10:45	Coffee Break	
HALL A - Infection Control		HALL B - Antimicrobial Stewardship
10:45 - 12:15	Session 2: Infection Prevention and Control	10:45 - 12:15 Session 4: Antimicrobial Stewardship
	Chairs: Joseph Tannous & Huda Al Hosani	Chairs: Duda Salem Jawhar & Ayman Chkhis
10:45 - 11:05	Routine Use of Next Generation Sequencing for Multidrug-resistant Organisms in Infection Prevention and Control Andreas Voss	10:45 - 11:05 Antifungal Resistant Fungi in a One-Health Context: Global Challenges and Perspectives Rajeev Soman
11:05 - 11:25	Infection control for Carbapenem Resistant Enterobacterales: facts and controversies Souha S. Kanj	11:05 - 11:25 TBC Jehad Abdalla
11:25 - 11:45	Leadership in IPC: Safety Culture and Human Factors Majid Al Shamrani	11:25 - 11:45 De-escalation of antibiotics: When, How and Why it fails? Ahmad Subhi
11:45 - 12:05	How animal wisdom can inform human practices in infection prevention Elias Tannous	11:45 - 12:05 TBC TBC
12:05 - 12:15	Panel Discussion	12:05 - 12:15 Panel Discussion
12:15 - 12:45	Industry Symposium 1	12:15 - 12:45 Industry Symposium 2
12:45 - 14:00	Friday Prayer & Lunch Break	12:45 - 14:00 Friday Prayer & Lunch Break
14:00 - 15:30	Session 3: Infection Prevention and Control	14:30 - 16:00 Session 5: Antimicrobial Stewardship
	Chair: Fatima Saeed AL Memari	Chair: Fatima Saeed AL Memari
14:00 - 14:20	Prevention of Surgical Site Infections: Challenging current WHO guidelines Andreas Widmer	14:30 - 14:50 Infectious Diseases in a Warming World: New Pathogens, New Patterns, New Risks Jameela Alsalman
14:20 - 14:40	If it works, why aren't we doing it? The psychology and politics of IPC implementation Souha S. Kanj	14:50 - 15:10 Antimicrobial Stewardship Center of Excellence: A Journey Toward Best-in-Class Stewardship Rania El Lababidi
14:40 - 15:00	Fungal versus bacterial outbreaks: are they really different? Martin Kiernan	15:10 - 15:30 TBC TBC
15:00 - 15:20	TBC Joseph Tannous	15:30 - 15:50 TBC TBC
15:20 - 15:30	Panel Discussion	15:50 - 16:00 Panel Discussion
End of Day 1		





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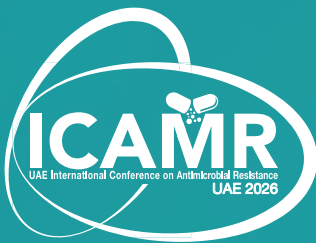
DAY 2 - Saturday

11 April 2026

08:00 - 08:30	Registration	
08:30 - 10:00	Session 6: Antimicrobial Resistance	
	Chairs: Nehad Shirawi & Adnan AlAtoom	
08:30 - 08:50	Bacterial Resistance...the undeclared pandemic	Ashraf ElHoufi / WHO Speaker
08:50 - 09:10	TBC	Rajeev Soman
09:10 - 09:30	Impact of Handhygiene and Environmental cleaning on the emergence of antimicrobial resistance	Andreas Widmer
09:30 - 09:50	Vaccines as a Weapon Against Antibiotic/Antimicrobial Resistance	Jomana F. Musmar
09:50 - 10:00	Panel Discussion	
10:00 - 10:30	Industry Symposium 3	
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45- 12:30	Session 7: Antimicrobial Stewardship	
	Chair: Ahmed Al Hammadi	
10:45 - 11:05	Diagnostic and antimicrobial stewardship in the clinical Microbiology laboratory	Adnan AlAtoom
11:05 - 11:25	TBC	Layla Al-Dabal
11:25 - 11:55	TBC	Ahmed Al Hammadi
11:55 - 12:15	TBC	TBC
12:15 - 12:30	Panel Discussion	
12:30 - 13:00	Industry Symposium 4	
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00 - 16:00	Session 8: Infection Prevention and Control	
	Chair: TBC	
14:00 - 14:20	TBC	Abeer Rajeh Khalil
14:20 - 14:40	Chlorine vs. ‘modern’ disinfectants	Martin Kiernan
14:40 - 15:00	The End of IPC	Andreas Voss
15:00 - 15:05	Q&A	
15:05 - 16:00	Oral Presentations	
16:00 - 16:30	Closing Ceremony	
	End of Day 2	

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# Workshops

DAY 2 - Saturday

11 April 2026

## Workshop

10:45 - 12:45

Water Infection Control Risk Assessment (WICRA) Workshop

Ajish Thankachan

## Workshop

08:30 - 10:30

WHONET Workshop

Pramod Chhabrani