WOMEN IN SURGERY AFRICA
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Launch Event
VICTORIA HOTEL | BLANTYRE | MALAWI
2 DECEMBER 2015
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Schedule of Events

12.00PM  Arrival & Member Registration
Lunch will be served at this event. Please note the WISA Membership Desk will be open for the duration of the day.

12.10PM  WISA Election
Nominations are invited to make a short presentation outlining their interest in WISA. Secret Ballot Device. There is one vote per each COSECSA Country. Each country will be assigned a table to participate in voting. In order to vote in the WISA election you must be a WISA Member. Five WISA Members shall be elected to the WISA Board and a Chairperson (who must be a COSECSA Fellow) shall be elected by Board Members.

12.20PM  Welcome & Opening Address
Prof Milard Derbew
COSECSA Vice-President

12.30PM  Key Note Address
Dr Patricia Namann
Founding Member
Association of Women Surgeons

1.00PM  Remarks
Dr Jane Faulal
COSECSA Council

1.10PM  Remarks
Dr Patricia Edale
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCIS)

1.20PM  Inauguration
WISA Board Members

1.30PM  Closing Remarks
Prof Derbew

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DR PATRICIA EADIE
A graduate of UCC in 1981, Dr Eadie specialised in Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery doing her training in Ireland, UK, USA and Australia. Her areas of special interest are hand surgery, both traumatic and elective, cosmetic surgery and in particular cosmetic breast surgery. She is particularly interested in congenital hand surgery. Practicing as a consultant since 1994, she holds appointments at St James’s hospital, Our Lady’s Children’s hospital, the Mater Private hospital and the Sports Surgery Clinic. She is an active member of the Irish Association of Plastic Surgery, and was appointed its President from 2013-2014. She is also a member of the Irish Hand Surgery Society, the British Association of Hand Surgery and the British Association of Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery.

With a strong interest and experience in examinations and assessment, she sits on the Board of the JCE (Joint Committee on Intercollegiate Examinations) and more recently on the newly established JCPE (Joint Surgical Colleges Fellows Examiners) and continues as an Examiner- Assessor for JCE. In addition, she has been an examiner for the European Board of Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery since 2004.

As a means of improving surgical knowledge in other countries she has spent time on voluntary missions to Vietnam, Albania, Ghana and Jordan, lecturing and training local surgeons. Dr Eadie is also an External Examiner for CEESCA.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
DR PATRICIA NUMANN
Dr. Patricia J. Numann is a native New Yorker who was educated at the University of Rochester and obtained her medical degree and completed her general surgery residency at the State University of New York, Health Science Center at Syracuse. She holds Board Certification from the National Board of Medical Examiners and the American Board of Surgery. Dr. Numann is an active member of numerous professional societies such as the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical Association, the Association of Endocrine Surgeons, the International Society of Surgery, and the American Surgical Association. She has served as Vice President of the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons and President of the Association for Surgical Education. She is past Second Vice-President of the American College of Surgeons and past Chair of the American Board of Surgery, the first woman in either position. She was one of the founding members of the Association for Surgical Education and founded the Association for Women Surgeons. She was the first woman elected to the American Medical Association Council on Scientific Affairs.

Dr. Numann has received numerous honors and awards at the local, state and national level. She has received the Post Standard Woman of Achievement Award, the Onondaga County Physician Service to the Community Award, the New York State Woman of Accomplishment Award, and the Nina Starr Braunwald Award of the Association of Women Surgeons. She is listed in Best Doctors in America. She has been named, by the SUNY Board of Trustees, as a SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor and a SUNY Distinguished Service Professor. She was inducted into the SUNY College of Medicine’s “Changing Faces of Medicine” exhibit. In 2010, Dr. Numann received ANAWA’s highest award, the Elizabeth Blackwell Medal for her contribution in the professional advancement and recognition of women. Dr. Numann was given The American College of Surgeons’ Distinguished Award at the Clinical Congress in October of 2006. She was first woman to receive this prestigious award.

Dr. Numann is particularly interested in education and has been distinguished as a teacher, receiving the Clinical Teacher of the Year Award twice. She has been regularly asked by the graduating medical students to serve as the Faculty Marshal or to deliver the Oath of Hippocrates. Dr. Numann’s scientific and clinical interests are in the area of thyroid and parathyroid disease and breast disease, founding The Breast and Endocrine Center which now bears her name. She was highly regarded as a clinical surgeon. She has published numerous articles, abstracts and book chapters. She is committed to equity for women.

Dr. Numann serves on numerous community boards including the Everson Museum of Art, The Community Health Foundation of Western and Central New York, Vera House, Hospices of Central and Northern New York and The American Red Cross. In January of 2007, she retired from active clinical practice and as Lloyd S. Rogers Professor of Surgery but remains active in many teaching and organizational activities.

She was awarded Emertus status by SUNY. She was elected First Vice President of the American College of Surgeons in October 2010. In April 2011 she became President Elect of the American College of Surgeons and in October 2011 was installed as President of the American College of Surgeons. In August 2011 she was awarded the SS Prix of the International Society of Surgeons. In October 2011, she received an Honorary Fellowship from the Royal College of Surgeons of Glasgow. In May 2012, she received an Honorary Doctor of Science Degree from Upstate Medical University. In July 2012, she received an Honorary Fellowship from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.