

Global Affairs Agenda

Fall 2025

Via ZOOM: Tuesday, September 9, 2025

2:00pm-4:00pm PST/ 4:00pm – 6:00pm CST/ 5:00pm – 7:00pm EST

Chair: Linda Zhang, MD

Co-Chairs: Maria Marcela Bailez, MD, MD; Ana Carasquilla, MD, & Rohan Joseph, MD

Executive: Brent Matthews, MD

Committee Staff: Jacqueline Narváez (JQ)

I. Intro, disclosures, approval of minutes..... 5 minutes

II. GLAP Next steps

- Overview of GLAP Strategy (L. Zhang)5 minutes
- Countries in Africa Reporting:
 - Uganda (Janso Jospeh)5 minutes
 - Ethiopia (R Joseph / JQ Narvaez)5 minutes
 - Kenya (JQ).....5 minutes
- Countries in Latin America Reporting:
 - Costa Rica (A Carasquilla)5 minutes
 - Mexico (Rocio).....5 minutes
 - El Salvador (JQ)5 minutes
- Futures sites
 - Armenia site update (JQ)2 minutes

III. Other (L. Zhang/ JQ)

- SAGES 2025 – International Panels (C. Colunga/ M Bailez)
- Proxime
- Global Endo
- Manual

Schedule sites programming:

- Uganda: August 3-10, 2025: Uganda Lead: L. Zhang / R Joseph
- Kenya November 8-15: Lead: Ana Carasquilla / Tulio Brasileiro
- Uganda February 9-14, 2025: R. Joseph / J. Joseph / ASGBI
- Zimbabwe TBD

New sites: Armenia (will start with virtual)/ Team: C. Colunga, K. Cordero C. Millan, T. Brasileiro, J. Janso

Virtual sites: Monterrey, MX & Guadalajara, MX closing sessions September 2025.

Note: All sites are asked to put together a 3yr. project plan for GLAP implementation. All projects are reviewed in GLAP sessions, as well as separately with GAC chairs and mentors. Chairs review next steps and communication, and this is then forwarded to the site leads.

All GAC faculty, sites, and participants are required to sign a COI. All sites are required to have an executed SAGES/ SITE MOU.