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**Registration  
Breakfast**

8:30 - 8:40 am



**Welcome**

**Hector Santiago, OD**  
President VOSH/International

8:40 - 8:55 am



**Working towards  
sustainability. The  
experience between  
VOSH-Indiana and  
VOSH-Honduras**

**David Weigel, OD**  
President VOSH-Indiana

8:55 - 9:20 am



**Planning for  
successful SVOSH  
clinics. Real  
experiences and  
tips.**

**Claudia Solomon**  
President SVOSH-Pacific University College  
of Optometry - AMIGOS

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**Keynote speaker**

**Mentorship for the younger generations**

**Quy Nguyen, OD**  
Director of Doctor Relations  
VSP Vision

9:40 - 9:50 am

**Presentation of the VOSH/International Humanitarian of the Year Award.**

9:50 - 10:00 am



**Supporting optometric education.**

**Chad Zscherny (tbc)**  
Director of Academic Development  
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10:00 - 10:25 am



**Coffee Break**

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**Presentation of the VOSH/International Harry Zeltzer Lifetime Achievement Award.**

**10:35 - 11:05 am**

**The importance of humanitarian clinics in the education of more internationalized optometrists.**

**Views from SVOSH faculty advisers**



**Benjamin Konig, OD**

**Faculty Adviser  
Kentucky College of  
Optometry**



**Tareq Nabham, OD**

**Faculty Adviser  
University of  
Missouri-St Louis**

**11:05 - 11:20 am**



**WHO-SPECS 2030:  
Its significance for  
optometry**

**Prof. Tuwani Rasengane, OD, PhD, FAAO  
SVOSH-University of the Free State- South  
Africa**

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**Recognition of volunteers and inauguration of new Board members.**

**Franklin Harm Society and Fellowships**

**11:50 am - 12:20 pm**

**The leaders of the future.**



**Ani Tokhmakhian, OD**

**Former SVOSH-ICO  
President**

**VOSH/International Board  
member**



**Deanna Dale**

**Former SVOSH-KYCO  
President**

**Student Board member at  
Women in Optometry**

**12:20 - 12:35 pm**

**Organized optometry students in the world  
Introducing OPTOGLOBE**



**Pemije Gaminoh**

**Founder OPTOGLOBE  
SVOSH-UBENIN-Nigeria**



**Rachel Harmon**

**Director of Diversity,  
Equity and Inclusion**

**OPTOGLOBE  
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**Supporting Students' professional development**

**The African Federation of Optometry Students (AFOS)**

**Osuagwu U. Levi, OD, MSc, PhD**  
Senior Lecturer and Academic Lead  
Bathurst Rural Clinical School, School of Medicine, Western Sydney University, Australia

12:55 - 1:00 pm



**Closing remarks and thanks**

**Michael Cizek, OD and Howard McAlister, OD**  
Co-chairs SVOSH Chapters Relations Committee

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