

South African Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions

2026 SA-ACAPAP CONGRESS

In participation with PANDA-SA and SAISI

Congress Theme: Innovations in child, adolescent and family mental health: Integrated approaches to research and practice.

Sub-themes:

- 1. Building Resilience and hope (health promotion and prevention)
- 2. Innovative Practices in Mental Health (technology and digital innovations; family centred approaches)
- 3. Empowering Advocacy and Leadership (youth and family voices)
- 4. Contextually relevant research in Child and Adolescent Mental Health
- 5. Other



Invitation to submit workshops:

Interested persons are invited to submit applications to host half day workshops or masterclasses as part of the congress. These will take place on **Saturday**, **14 March 2026 from 08h30-12h30**.

If you are interested, please complete and submit a workshop application template by 20 June 2025. The outcome will be communicated by 30 June 2025. The template can be obtained from Kristy Muller at **kristy@confpartner.co.za**.



Keynote Speaker: Dr Massimiliano Orri, McGill University, Canada.

Dr. Massimiliano Orri is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at McGill University, a Principal Investigator at the Douglas Hospital Research Centre, and an associate member in the Department of Epidemiology, Biostatistics, and Occupational Health at McGill University. He is a Theme Lead in the Montreal WHO/PAHO Collaborating Centre for Research and Training in Mental Health. His multidisciplinary research program in psychiatric epidemiology aims to understand the risk factors of suicide across the lifespan using data from large population-based longitudinal studies and genetically informed methods. Besides research, Dr. Orri practices as a clinical psychologist in the Depressive and Suicide Disorders Program at the Douglas Mental Health University Institute

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Lagoon Beach Hotel, Milnerton, Cape Town