

# WHIF 2026 AGENDA

**DAY 1 (11 December 2026)**  
**PERCEIVE: Discovering what comes next**

| Time          | Ampere                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 09:00 - 10:00 | Registrations                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 10:00 - 11:30 | <b>Opening Ceremony</b><br><b>Speakers:</b> Dr Jitendra Sharma, Dr Louise Agersnap, Dr Meg Doherty                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 11:30 - 11:45 | TEA BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 11:45 - 12:15 | Global MedTech Expo Inauguration                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Venue         | Omega (4)                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Celcius (4)                                                                                                                                                                                   | Tesla (4)                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 12:15 - 13:15 |  <b>World Health Organization</b>                                                                                                    | <b>TALK</b><br><b>The Unfinished Agenda: Defining Healthcare's Next Decade of Battles</b><br><i>Identifying priority health challenges for the next decade</i>                                |           |
|               | 4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Prof. Tom Bashford</b><br><i>University of Cambridge</i><br>1 Speaker (45 min.)   Q&A (15 min.)                                                                                            | <b>Beyond the Horizon: A Blueprint for the World's Next Health System</b><br><i>A forward-looking vision for healthcare innovation and delivery</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator |
|               | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 13:15 - 14:15 | LUNCH / INNOVATION EXPO TOUR / CAMPUS TOUR                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 14:15 - 15:15 |                                                                                                                                     | <b>DEBATE</b><br><b>Who's Really in Control? Man vs. Machine in the Operating Room</b><br><i>Is human oversight always necessary for intelligent medical devices?</i><br>2+2 Debater   1 Jury |         |
|               | <b>The Last Mile of MedTech: From Innovation and Validation to Adoption at Scale</b><br><i>Bridging the gap between innovation, clinical validation, market adoption and global scale</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Designing for the Next Billion Patients</b><br><i>Affordable, accessible and inclusive healthcare innovation</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                 |
|               | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 15:15 - 16:15 |                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                            | <b>The Algorithm in the Room: Colleague, Not Tool</b><br><i>The future of AI-assisted diagnosis, treatment and clinical workflows</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator               |
|               | <b>Beyond the Classical: Reimagining Healthcare with Quantum</b><br><i>A New Era in the Future of Diagnosis, Treatment, and Care.</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                                     | <b>India's Next Healthcare Revolution</b><br><i>Turning Indigenous Innovation into Real-World Impact</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|               | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 16:15 - 16:30 | TEA BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 16:30 - 17:30 | <b>Three Rooms, One Table: Where Policy, Capital &amp; Discovery Finally Meet</b><br><i>Building ecosystems that accelerate breakthrough innovation</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                   | <b>Innovation Clinicians Pool</b><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                            |
|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>From Scan to Smile</b><br><i>How AI, Intraoral Scanning, 3D Printing &amp; Smart Manufacturing Are Rewriting Dentistry</i><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                       |
|               | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |

**DAY 2 (12 December 2026)**  
**PROGRESS: Turning ideas into action**

| Time          | Ampere                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 10:00 - 11:30 | Plenary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 11:30 - 11:45 | TEA BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Venue         | Omega (4)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Celcius (4)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Tesla (4)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 11:45 - 12:45 | Embassy Panel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | TALK<br><br>From Emergency Response to Enduring Innovation<br><i>Institutionalizing Pandemic Learnings into Health Systems</i><br><br>Dr. Priya Abraham<br><br>1 Speaker (45 min.)   Q&A (15 min.)                                                                                    | <br><br>Safe Care Starts Behind the Scenes<br><i>Strengthening sterilization expertise to protect patients from healthcare-associated infections.</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator        |
|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 12:45 - 13:45 | LUNCH / INNOVATION EXPO TOUR / CAMPUS TOUR                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 13:45 - 14:45 | <br><br>Beyond the Material: Designing Plastics for Better Healthcare<br><i>Innovation, performance and sustainability in medical applications.</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                              | DEBATE<br><br>The Myth of Perfect Medicine: Can Technology Ever Eliminate Error?<br><i>Can technology ever deliver zero-error healthcare?</i><br><br>2+2 Debater   1 Jury                                                                                                             | <br><br>From Ideas to Impact: The Power of the Right Connection<br><i>Building partnerships that accelerate healthcare innovation, trade and opportunity</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator |
|               | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 14:45 - 15:45 | <br><br>From Make in India to Made for the World: India's MedTech Coming-of-Age<br><i>Scaling Indian medical innovations into globally competitive, affordable, and export-ready solutions</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator | <br><br>African Innovation Tech<br>Dr. Sudesh Sivarasu                                                                                                                                            | <br><br>Confederation of Indian Industry<br><br>The Genomics Dividend<br><i>Turning Sequencing Data into Diagnosis and Cure</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                            |
|               | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 15:45 - 16:00 | TEA BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 16:00 - 17:00 | The Hardest Sale in Healthcare: Cracking Procurement from the Inside<br><i>Navigating the first commercial success</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                                                                                                                                                            | <br><br>From Innovation Spaces to Innovation Powerhouses<br><i>What will it take to build ecosystems where talent, technology and ideas create lasting impact?</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator | <br><br>MedTech for Social Good<br><i>Empowering Ability Through Inclusive Sports, Assistive Technology &amp; Rehabilitation Innovation</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                |
|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Global MedTech Hackathon / Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 19:00 Onwards | GALA DINNER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

**DAY 3 (13 December 2026)**  
**PROPEL: Taking impact further**

| Time          | Ampere                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 10:00 - 11:30 | Plenary                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 11:30 - 11:45 | TEA BREAK                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Venue         | Omega (2)                                                                                                                                                                  | Celcius (2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Tesla (2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 11:45 - 12:30 | Embassy Panel                                                                                                                                                              | <b>TALK</b><br><b>From the Few to the Many: Engineering Healthcare at Population Scale</b><br><i>Expanding innovation to reach entire populations</i><br><br><b>Prof. Abhirup Banerjee</b><br><i>University of Oxford, UK</i><br><br>1 Speaker (45 min.)   Q&A (15 min.) | <br><br><b>When Every Second Counts, Healthcare Can't Pause. Technology Can't Fail.</b><br><i>The critical role of biomedical readiness in saving lives during crises</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator |
|               |                                                                                                                                                                            | Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 12:30 - 13:30 | <b>The Price of Wellness: Rebuilding Health Around Value, Not Volume</b><br><i>Building sustainable and value-based healthcare systems</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator | <b>DEBATE</b><br><b>Smarter Isn't Always Better: Interrogating the Innovation Myth</b><br><i>Is 'better technology' the same as 'better healthcare'?</i><br><br>2+2 Debater   1 Jury                                                                                     | <br><br><b>Defining Excellence in Healthcare Technology</b><br><i>The role of quality, standards and responsible innovation in better healthcare.</i><br><br>4 Panelist   1 Moderator                     |
|               | Paper & Poster Presentations                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Time          | Ampere                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 13:30 - 14:30 | Awards, Recognition, & Valedictory                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 14:30 Onwards | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |