



TASME 2026 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Technological Advances in Science, Medicine and Engineering

Sunday, July 5th, 2026

Amana Hall Event Centre, 2855 Markham Rd
Suite#320, Scarborough, ON M1X 0C3



8:00AM

REGISTRATION

8:30AM

MEET AND GREET

9:30AM

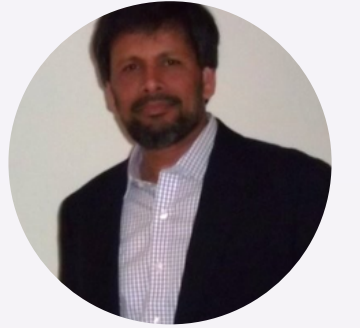
OPENING REMARKS



Prof. Nanda Ganesan, Ph.D. Interim Conference Chair
California State University, Los Angeles, USA

- Overview of conference objectives
- Reflection on 30 years of organizational journey

Prof. Bala Maheswaran, Ph.D. Co-Chair of TASME
Northeastern University, Boston, USA



Prof. Nades Palaniyar, Ph.D. TASME Co-Chair, University of Toronto, Canada

- Academic Engagement and Mentorship Reflection

Dr. Jeya Thayaparan, MD, FRCPC, Conference Co-Chair Director, Bridging Futures Canada Society,



10:00AM

Guest Speaker



Dr. Sri Navaratnam, MBBS, PhD, Executive Healthcare Leader, Advancing Global Health and Health Equity Oncologist, Professor

- Reflection of healthcare, mentorship and the future of Medicine with community engagement.

Dr. Shribavan Kanesamoorthy, MBBS, MBA, PhD Candidate at the University of Western Ontario Emerging TASME leader



Special address and Honouring Excellence –
TASME 2026 Award Recipients



Chair: Councillor Neethan Shan - community leader, elected in 2016, and a Toronto City Councillor.

- Honouring TASME Journey and leadership contributions

Dr. Parvathy Kanthasamy, PhD, Executive Director of Vasnatham Wellness Centre, Mental Health service for over 25 years for the Tamil community



TASME 2026 AWARD RECIPIENTS

- **Lifetime Achievement Award, Professor Nanda Ganesan** - Professor, Department of Information Systems - California State University, Los Angeles
- **Distinguished Service Award, Professor Nades Palaniyar** - Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto
- **Distinguished Leadership Award, Professor Bala Maheswaran**, COE Distinguished Professor - Northeastern University - Lexington, Massachusetts, USA
- **TASME 2026 Conference Distinguished Service and Contributions Award, Professor Nirusha Thavarajah**, Professor - University of Toronto Scarborough
- Emerging Leader Award, Dr. Shribavan Kanesamoorthy, MBBS, MBA, PhD Candidate at the University of Western Ontario
- Outstanding Student Leadership Award – Eilya Parsa, MSc (Candidate) at McMaster University

11:00AM

TASME ALUMNI REFLECTIONS



Dr. Tharsan Kanagalingam, MD, Internal Medicine, University of Toronto, Emerging Leader TASME, NEXT ERA

- Experiences of mentorship, education, and community leadership
- TASME Legacy Foundation, TASME NEXT ERA Inauguration
- Volunteer and youth recognition



Dr. Shano Thiyagalingam, MD, FRCPC, MHM, FACP, Emerging Professional Geriatric Consultant



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COMMUNITY LEADERS SPEAKER SESSION

1. Executive Director, Vasntham Wellness Centre - Dr. Parvathy Kanthasamy
2. President, JFMOA, Jaffna Medical Faculty Overseas Alumni - Dr. ~~Vadivelu~~ Tamilvanan
3. Past CTMA President, Canadian Tamil Medical Association, Dr. Radhika Natgunarajah
4. CTC Delegate, Canadian Tamil Congress, Dr. Santhakumar
5. YCTSA York Tamil Community Seniors Association president Mrs. Nanthini Tharmalingam
6. Peel Region Senior Association President, Mr. Moorthy Nadarajah
7. JUAA President, Dr. J. Gowry Sam

Participating Organizations & Leaders: TBC Panellist 2-3 Min each delegate
Discussion Theme: Future Collaboration with TASME and research symposium as a hub for students' engagement and community service

APPRECIATION FOR VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS

12:30PM

By TASME Leaderships

1:00PM

COMPLIMENTARY BOOK LAUNCH AND LUNCHEON

Reframing Dementia Care; Person-Centred, Compassionate Care Beyond Prescription
by Dr. Jeya Thayaparan, MD, FRCPC

Dr. Thayaparan is also a recipient of the TASME 2026 Conference Distinguished Leadership and Visionary Award

LAUNCHED BY BRIDGING FUTURES CANADA SOCIETY (BFCS)

CLOSING REMARKS

2:30PM



Treasurer of TASME 2026

Dr. Logi Umaharan MBBS,
MSc University of Toronto
Graduate

Coordinator TASME 2026

Eilya Parsa, MSc
(Candidate), Coordinator at
Bridging Futures Canada
Society, McMaster Graduate

