Dear Dr Nel,

With great sadness I learned about the loss of Professor Bongani Mayosi, one of the greatest scientists, researchers, teachers and mentors of the South African Heart Association. He was truly a great visionary physician and scientist - also representing both the older and younger generations of the South African Heart Association.

He also was a personal friend, whom I met over the last decade and admired very much.

I wish his family and your Society all the strength that is needed in this difficult period.

Sincerely,

Jeroen J. Bax
President of the ESC 2016 - 2018