



Dear Colleague,

**25 March 2026 • Bronchoscopy Workshop • Combined Neonatal/Paediatric Workshop
26 – 27 March 2026 • 114th Annual Conference**

The Paediatric Pulmonology and Neonatology Divisions at Tygerberg Hospital are pleased to announce the 14th Here Be Lungs Conference.

“Here be lungs”, as in “Here be dragons”, is a reference to the situation sailors of old found themselves in when they sailed off into the unknown, the uncharted waters. Ironically, in Chinese, ‘lung’ means ‘dragon’ and the lung in Chinese medicine is the boundary between the inner and outer world. The lung is the whole respiratory system and has to do with boundary, breath and renewal and across this boundary vital materials are taken in and waste materials excreted.

The aim of this conference is to navigate newly described and insufficiently explored neonatal, infant and childhood lung conditions as well as cardiac and paediatric intensive care related lung conditions through state-of-the-art lectures in the respective fields. Regular international speakers include Profs Andrew Bush, Ernst Eber, Fabio Midulla, Petr Pohunek, Bruce Rubin, Savvas Andronikou, Prof Rangasamy Ramanathan and Dr David Sweet.

The conference is preceded by an Bronchoscopy and a combined Neonatal/Paediatric Workshop on 25 March 2026 held at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences of Stellenbosch University on Tygerberg Campus.

We invite you to exhibit or attend what promises to be an excellent scientific programme, which will be held at The Lord Charles Hotel on 26 – 25 March 2026. Nestled against the majestic backdrop of the Helderberg mountains in the heart of Somerset West in Cape Town, it is an oasis of luxury and tranquillity. Surrounded by the verdant beauty of the Cape Winelands, this enchanting retreat seamlessly blends sophistication with breathtaking natural surroundings.

The academic program focuses on a wide range of subjects, ranging from antenatal diagnosis and congenital lung disease, interstitial lung diseases, cystic fibrosis, asthma and the wheezing infant, to interventions (airway management, bronchoscopy, lung surgery, lung biopsy) and imaging (interpreting chest x-rays, chest CT and / or MR scans, ultrasound of the chest), ethical dilemmas, unusual lung infections, including viral infections, lung function, PCD and respiratory support of the sick child.

Please [click here](#) to download the Form of Intent to complete and send back to Hanri Lennox hlennox@consultus.co.za

Warm Regards,

Co-chairs | Organizing committee
Prof Pierre Goussard and Prof Lizelle van Wyk.