

ENDO PROGRAMME

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WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2026: PRE-CONGRESS COURSE

PRE-CONGRESS COURSE	VENUE: RM 1.40 THEME: WEO and Gastroenterology Foundation of SSA Postgraduate Course	PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOP	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63 THEME: Marcus Medical and CMR Pre-Congress Workshop	
10:30 - 18:00	WEO and Gastroenterology Foundation of SSA Postgraduate Course	10:30 - 17:30	Marcus Medical and CMR The Evolution of Robotic Surgery	
15:00	Congress registration opens			

THURSDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2026 - DAY 1

7:00		Congress registration opens																				
SESSION 1		VENUE: Audi 1 THEME: Opening ceremony MODERATORS: Ernst Fredericks and Nonthalee Pausawadi																				
08h30 - 08h39		Entertainment																				
08h39 - 08h45		ENDO 2026 Congress Chairs Welcome Lars Aabakken and Mashiko Setshedi																				
08h45 - 08h49		Awards Ceremony Moderator: Mario Dinis Ribeiro																				
08h49 - 08h52		WEO Master Endoscopist Award – Guido Costamagna (Italy) Presented by Marianna Arvanitakis																				
08h52 - 08h55		WEO Research Mentoring Award – Luis Caro (Argentina) Presented by Asadur Tchekmedyan																				
08h55 - 08h58		WEO Distinguished Educator Award – Douglas Faigel (USA) Presented by Yutaka Saito																				
08h58 - 09h01		WEO Lifetime Achievement Award – Hisao Tajiri (Japan) Presented by Lars Aabakken																				
09h01 - 09h05		Speech on Behalf of All Awardees Douglas Faigel																				
09:05 - 09:15		Glaciomar Machado Distinguished Abstract Award Efficacy of L-L versus 2-L polyethylene glycol plus ascorbate for bowel preparation in elderly outpatients: a multicenter, non-inferiority randomized trial (The PLATONE Study) Paolo Montalto																				
09:15 - 09:25		Hirohumi Nawa Distinguished Abstract Award Real-Life Clinical Validation of AI-Assisted Evaluation of indeterminate biliary strictures in Digital-single operator cholangioscopy: a Transcontinental Multicentric Study Miguel Mascarenhas-Sariva																				
09:25 - 09:35		Anthony Axon Distinguished Abstract Award Predictive accuracy of artificial intelligence-assisted upper gastrointestinal endoscopy in detecting early gastric neoplasia Aashal Bhavesh Shah																				
09:35 - 09:55		Solly Marks Eponymous Lecture (SAGES): Scalpel and scope: Competition, mix or transition? Lars Aabakken																				
09:55 - 10:15		Charles Saint Eponymous Lecture (ASSA): Looking Outwards, Forwards and Upwards: From Saint's Philosophy to Modern GI Endoscopy Eduard Jonas																				
10:15 - 10:45		Tea Break and Exhibition																				
SESSION 2		VENUE: Audi 1 THEME: WEO / ESGE Society Session: Early Onset CRC: Differences in Global Approach MODERATORS: Cesare Hassan and Nonthalee Pausawadi	SESSION 2	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Infectious & Inflammatory GI Disorders in Africa: Endoscopic Perspectives MODERATORS: Majidh Bukhari and Ely Ogutu	SESSION 2	VENUE: MR 1.60 THEME: Upper GI Cancer 2026: From Early Detection to Advanced Therapeutics MODERATORS: Jaman Ghalith and Darsheel Parekh	SESSION 2	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Oral presentations - EUS Diagnostics MODERATORS: Dario Ligrèssi and Koji Matsuda	SESSION 2	VENUE: ROOF TERRACE THEME: WEO Video Capsule Endoscopy Symposium (VCE) MODERATORS: Jean Francois Rey, Reema Sidhu and Long Rong	SESSION 2	VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: ePosters					SESSION 2	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63 THEME: ASSA - Opening, Acute Care & Burns CHAIRPERSON: Thifhelimbilu Luvhengo	SESSION 2	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66 THEME: SAGES CHAIRPERSONS: VG Naidoo and Wayne Simmonds	SESSION 2	VENUE: NERINA THEME: SAGINS CHAIRPERSON: Marilyn Pillay
10:45 - 11:05		François Moulter Honorary Lecture: The African enigmas of epidemiology, access, and outcomes Adam Boutali	10:45 - 11:00	Maastricht meets Africa: should we eradicate H. pylori for all? Mashiko Setshedi	10:45 - 11:00	Recognition of early oesophageal and GEJ cancer: seeing the subtle Krish Ragnauth	10:45 - 10:55	Diagnostic Accuracy of Real-time Artificial Intelligence-assisted Biopsy During Digital Single Operator Cholangioscopy: a Single Center Randomized Controlled Trial Carlos Robles-Medrana	10:45 - 10:50	Opening							10:45 - 10:50	Welcome Martin Smith	10:45 - 10:50	Welcome	10:45 - 11:00	Welcome by president Marilyn Pillay
						10:55 - 11:05	The Diagnostic Role Of Upper Endoscopic Ultrasonography: Initial Experience From Nigeria Evaristus Chukwudike										10:50 - 11:20	Marcus Medical Prestige Lecture New developments in AI and Robotics Surgery Johann Potgieter			11:00 - 11:15	Treasurer report Bev Bates
		11:00 - 11:15	HIV-related GI diseases: common endoscopic findings Ajay Kumar	11:00 - 11:15	Gastric cancer screening strategies (East vs. West) Mario Dinis Ribeiro	11:05 - 11:15	Prevalence and risk factors for malnutrition and sarcopenia in chronic pancreatitis Samavithi Pallavi	10:50 - 11:25	Prep or not prep for small bowel capsule? (Lecture 25 min, Q&A 10 min) Jean Francois Rey								10:50 - 11:30	Mike Moshal Eponymous Lecture IBD Genetics: Translating Discovery into Clinical Care Dermot McGovern			11:15 - 11:30	Marcus Medical
11:05 - 11:25		The European response: ESGE strategies Evelien Dekker	11:15 - 11:30	Endoscopic recognition of intestinal parasites: practical lessons for clinicians Randhir Sud	11:15 - 11:30	Role of endoscopic resection: indications & techniques Christopher Khor	11:15 - 11:25	Artificial Intelligence-assisted Detective Flow Imaging Enables Objective Microvascular Quantification in Healthy and Pathologic Liver During Endoscopic Ultrasound Carlos Robles-Medrana			10:45 - 12:00	ePoster Viewing Area					11:20 - 11:35	Minimally invasive approach in acute care surgery: pushing boundaries Arina Potthas				
						11:25 - 11:35	Diagnostic Value of Peroral Cholangiopancreatography Combined with Probe-Based Confocal Laser Endomicroscopy and Rapid On-Site Evaluation in Indeterminate Biliary Strictures Liyang Tao										11:30 - 12:00	Use of JAK inhibitors Charles Bernstein			11:30 - 11:45	First Medical
11:25 - 11:45		The American style: ASGE recommendations Prateek Sharma	11:30 - 11:45	Intestinal Tuberculosis vs. Crohn's Disease: endoscopic clues that matter Dion Levin	11:30 - 11:45	Beyond cure: role of endoscopic palliation Kulwinder Dua			11:25 - 12:00	Magnetically guided gastric capsule versus traditional gastroscopy (Lecture 25 min, Q&A 10 min) Long Rong							11:35 - 12:00	Acute care surgery, a subspecialty in LMIC Adelin Muganza				
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11:45 - 12:00		Q&A	11:45 - 12:00	Q & A	11:45 - 12:00	Q & A																
12:00 - 13:30		Lunch Break, Industry Symposia and Exhibition																				
Lunch Symposium		VENUE: Audi 1	Lunch Symposium	VENUE: MR 1.40 MODERATOR: Asadur Tchekmedyan	Lunch Symposium	VENUE: MR 1.60	Lunch Symposium	VENUE: MR 2.40				VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: Outstanding ePoster Presentations					Lunch Session	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63	Lunch Session	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66 CHAIRPERSON: Kay Karlsson		

			Sonoscape 12:15 - 13:00 12-15 - 12:30 Ultra HD: Precision, Performance, and the Power of Innovation - Cristiano Spada 12:30 - 12:45 Clinical Experience with a New-Generation Endoscopic Ultrasound System - Yunlu Feng 12:45 - 13:00 The Rise of EUS in Africa - John Devar	12:15 - 13:00 Fujifilm Mastering the Third Space with State-of-the-Art Imaging, Technology, and Technique Stephen Tsao, Hironori Yamamoto and Edward Despott	12:15 - 13:00 Micro-Tech Next Generation Cholangioscopy – Innovation in Visualisation and New Possibilities Colin Noel and Nonthalee Pausawadi		12:15 - 13:15 Moderators: Michael Mwachiro and Xiuling Li ePoster Presentations - Booth 1 Group 1 Moderators: Randhir Sud and Liyue Huang ePoster Presentations - Booth 2 Group 2			12:15 - 13:00 Adcock Ingram Gastroenterology The Weight of Reflux: Managing GERD in the Age of GLP-1 Therapeutics Gillian Gaskin	12:15 - 13:00 Takeda Raising the bar in IBD treatment: Finding a path to improved outcomes Thania Kahn and Trevlyn Burger									
SESSION 3	VENUE: Audit 1 THEME: Endoscopy Nightmares: Pitfalls & Troubleshooting MODERATORS: Carlos Oliveira dos Santos and Marianna Arvanitaki	SESSION 3	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: WEO Alumni Symposium I - Shaping the Next Generation of Endoscopists MODERATORS: Ibrahim Mostafa and Bayasgalan Luvсандagva	SESSION 3	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Essentials in Colonoscopy MODERATORS: Hyun Soo Kim and Dion Levin	SESSION 3	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Oral presentations - Upper GI - AI MODERATORS: Hyuk Soon Choi and Yuichi Mori	SESSION 3	VENUE: ROOF TERRACE THEME: WEO Video Capsule Endoscopy Symposium (VCE) MODERATORS: Jean Francois Rey, Rewna Sidhu and Long Rong	SESSION 3	VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: ePosters	SESSION 3	VENUE: Commercial Area THEME: Hands-On Demonstration	SESSION 3	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63 THEME: ASSA - Breast: Contemporary Breast Surgery: Evidence, Technique, Decision-Making and Debates CHAIRPERSONS: Shenaz Ismail and Fatima Hossain	SESSION 3	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66 THEME: SAGES CHAIRPERSONS: Mashiko Setshedi and Phoebe Hodges	SESSION 3	VENUE: NERINA THEME: SAGINS	
13:30 - 13:45	My worst case scenarios & how to rescue them Thawee Ratanachu-Ek	13:30 - 13:35	Opening remarks & session introduction Ibrahim Mostafa	13:30 - 13:45	Quality indicators for high-performance colonoscopy Payal Saxena	13:30 - 13:40	Diagnostic accuracy for predicting deep submucosal invasion: white light imaging vs invasive pattern based on magnifying chromoendoscopy Verónica G Zubiaurre	13:30 - 14:05	25 years of capsule endoscopy (Lecture 25 min, Q&A 10 min) Zhao Qiu	13:30 - 14:05	ePoster Viewing Area	13:30 - 15:00	Hands-on Demonstration Session 1	13:30 - 13:45	Sentinel lymph node biopsy: who still needs it? Aaron Ndhluni	13:30 - 13:40	Welcome Phoebe Hodges	13:30 - 13:45	Hands-on demonstration in exhibition (by invitation only)	
13:45 - 14:00	My worst case scenarios & how to rescue them Edward Despott	13:35 - 13:50	Women into endoscopy: come join the future Daniela Cardoso	13:45 - 14:00	Optimising bowel preparation: the same strategy for any setting? Marcello Maida	13:40 - 13:50	The Role of Combined Endoscopic Ultrasonography and Probe-Based Confocal Laser Endomicroscopy in Pre-ESD Assessment of Colorectal Laterally Spreading Tumors: A Prospective Pilot Study Jintao Guo	13:30 - 14:05		13:45 - 14:00				13:40 - 14:00	The influence of postoperative radiotherapy on surgical decision-making Justin Appfietandt	13:40 - 14:00	Epidemiology of IBD in developing nations Charles Bernstein	13:45 - 14:00	Hands-on demonstration in exhibition (by invitation only)	
14:00 - 14:15	My worst case scenarios & how to rescue them Shaimaa Elkholy	13:50 - 14:05	Mentorship in endoscopy: building meaningful mentor-mentee relationships Vignesh Shivakumar	14:00 - 14:15	Mastering colorectal polyp resection techniques: CSP, HSP, EMR, ESD: when and how? Stephen Tsao	14:00 - 14:10	Artificial intelligence and FLIP panometry: automatic characterization of motility patterns under the Dallas consensus Miguel Mascarenhas-Sariva	14:00 - 14:10		14:00 - 14:15				14:00 - 14:15	Panel discussion & audience questions Chairs	14:00 - 14:15	Friend, Foe or Bystander? The Gut Microbiome in IBD Heather Armstrong	14:00 - 14:15	Hands-on demonstration in exhibition (by invitation only)	
14:15 - 14:30	My worst case scenarios & how to rescue them Sundeeep Lakhtakia	14:05 - 14:20	Research in endoscopy: from question to impactful study Stefano Barardo	14:15 - 14:30	Acute lower GI bleeding management: what's new? Giulio Antonelli	14:10 - 14:20	Artificial Intelligence Improves Detection of Small Bowel Ulcerative Lesions in Capsule Endoscopy: A Six-Country Prospective Study Miguel Mascarenhas-Sariva	14:05 - 14:40	Artificial intelligence for capsule endoscopy Miguel Sariva	14:07 - 14:35				14:07 - 14:35	Debate: Margins in breast-conserving surgery: "No tumour on ink" is sufficient for all subtypes Yes: Felix Holst (7min) No: Innes Buccimazza (7min) Contralateral prophylactic mastectomy provides benefit? Yes: Carol-Ann Benn (7min) No: Phumudzo Ndzwambi (7min)	14:00 - 14:20	Genetics of IBD in Africa: AIRE consortium results Dermot McGovern	14:15 - 14:30	Hands-on demonstration in exhibition (by invitation only)	
14:30 - 14:45	Q&A	14:20 - 14:35	Building an academic career in endoscopy: challenges and opportunities Marcello Maida	14:30 - 14:45	CRG screening, a global vision from WEO Asadur Tchekmedyan	14:30 - 14:40	Unmasking IBS: a deep learning model for Functional Disease detection in patients with suspected Irritable Bowel Disease Miguel Mascarenhas-Sariva	14:20 - 14:45		14:35 - 14:45				14:35 - 14:45	Voting and discussion Chairs	14:20 - 14:40	Genetics of IBD in Africa: AIRE consortium results Dermot McGovern	14:30 - 14:45	Hands-on demonstration in exhibition (by invitation only)	
		14:35 - 14:45	Q&A with panel discussion: Future directions for the WEO alumni network	14:30 - 14:45		14:40 - 14:45	Q&A	14:40 - 14:45	Closing Remarks and adjourn											
SESSION 4	VENUE: Audit 1 THEME: EUS for Beginners MODERATORS: Eun Young Kim and Dario Liguori	SESSION 4	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: GI Showdown: The Debate MODERATORS: Shivangi Kothari and Thawee Ratanachu-Ek	SESSION 4	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Small Bowel Endoscopy Mastersclass MODERATORS: Neo Seabi and Edward Despott	SESSION 4	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Oral presentations - LMIC MODERATORS: Ajay Kumar and Lubna Kamani	SESSION 4	VENUE: ROOF TERRACE THEME: WEO ADEC MODERATORS: Hwaotajiri, Shu Shang, Msali Eswazy and Jean-Francois Rey	SESSION 4	VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: ePosters				SESSION 4	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63 THEME: ASSA - Endocrine CHAIRPERSONS: Irina Conradie and Fatima Hossain			SESSION 4	VENUE: NERINA THEME: SAGINS CHAIRPERSON: Marilyn Pillay
14:45 - 15:00	EUS training & the path to competency Koji Matsuda	14:45 - 15:10	First Line Biliary Drainage for Distal Malignant Obstruction: ERCP vs EUS-ED Douglas Faigel: ERCP Advocate (10 min) Vinay Dhir: EUS Advocate (10 min) Rebuttal: 5 min	14:45 - 15:00	Small-bowel capsule endoscopy 2026: artificial intelligence current role and future developments Cristiano Spada	14:45 - 14:55	Impact of On-Site Emergency Endoscopy for Non-Transportable Patients with Gastrointestinal Bleeding in Resource-Limited and Remote Settings Botor Otgondemberel	14:45 - 14:50	Opening	14:45 - 15:03				14:45 - 15:03	Updates on the 2025 ATA guidelines and management of well-differentiated thyroid cancer Fatima Hossain	14:40 - 15:00	Living with IBD in Africa: results from the first African IBD qualitative case study Sara Cooper	14:45 - 15:00	Hands-on demonstration in exhibition (by invitation only)	
15:00 - 15:15	EUS essential I: Evaluating subepithelial lesions Majidha Bukhari			15:00 - 15:15	Device-assisted enteroscopy 2026: latest instruments & mastering the technique Hironori Yamamoto	14:55 - 15:05	Arithromycin as pre-endoscopic prokinetic in emergency endoscopy for upper gastrointestinal bleeding: results from a multicentric, double-blind, randomized-controlled trial (CLEAN-AZ study) Andrei Volous	14:50 - 15:25	Imaging enhanced endoscopy for squamous cell carcinoma (Lecture 15 min, Quiz 20 min) Peng Li	15:03 - 15:21				15:03 - 15:21	Recurrent laryngeal nerve safety without intra-operative nerve monitoring - practical tips Etienne Myburgh	15:00 - 15:15	Selfmed	15:00 - 15:15	Selfmed	
15:15 - 15:30	EUS essential II: Understanding pancreato-biliary anatomy Sundeeep Lakhtakia	15:10 - 15:35	Gallbladder Drainage in High-risk Patients with Acute Cholecystitis Sajjad Mahmood: Endoscopic Management (EUS-GBD or transpapillary stenting) (10 min) John Devar: Percutaneous Drainage Followed by Delayed Cholecystectomy (10 min) Rebuttal: 5 min	15:15 - 15:30	Small-bowel bleeding 2026: optimal investigation & management Neo Seabi	15:15 - 15:25	High Predictive Value of Newly Identified Endoscopic Signs of Autoimmune Gastritis in a Screening Cohort Yulia Sigeeva	15:25 - 15:35	Comparing of Endoscopic Cap External Snare Resection (ECESR) and Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection (ESD) for Small Gastric Submucosal Tumors (≤12mm) emerging from the muscularis propria: A Propensity Score Matching Analysis Yang Shi	15:25 - 16:00				15:21 - 15:39	MEN syndromes and hyperparathyroidism - when should general surgeons suspect and refer? Shenaz Ismail	15:15 - 15:30	Boston Scientific	15:15 - 15:30	Boston Scientific	
15:30 - 15:45	EUS essential III: Performing tissue acquisition Nalini Guda		Should AI Replace Histology in Diminutive Polyps Diagnosis? Yuichi Mori: Yes (10 min)	15:30 - 15:45	Small bowel inflammation and stricture during 2026: The role of endoscopy Edward Despott	15:35 - 15:45	Survival and prognostic factors in oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma from a high-incidence region of South Africa: an 8-year tertiary-centre cohort Lucien Ferrelde	15:25 - 16:00	IEE for Barrett's oesophagus (Lecture 15 min, Quiz 20 min) Jean-Francois Rey	15:39 - 15:57				15:39 - 15:57	Is there a role for molecular testing in thyroid nodules in South Africa? Amir Atroghieh	15:30 - 16:00	Louis Mirvish Eponymous Lecture Viral Hepatitis and Hepatocellular Carcinoma in SSA: Emerging Trends towards Elimination Mwambi P. P. M. M.	15:30 - 15:45	Journey of my Crohn's Disease Theshan Pillay	

15:45 - 16:00	Q&A	15:35 - 16:00	Eun Ji Dhir: "No, Not ready for prime time" (10 min) Rebuttal: 5 min	15:45 - 16:00	Q&A	15:45 - 15:55	Submucosal Dissection Stability: A Novel Quantitative Assessment Metric for Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection in Early Gastric Cancer Jilong Wang and Kulliang Liu									15:57 - 16:00	Q&A			15:57 - 16:00	Q&A	
16:00 - 16:30 Tea Break and Exhibition																						
SESSION 5	VENUE: AUDI 1 THEME: WEO / SED Society Session - Are Developed Countries Guidelines Applicable Across the World?: From Detection to Elimination MODERATORS: Asadur Tchekemedyan and Julio Pereira Lima	SESSION 5	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Introduction to interventional EUS: Tips from Experts MODERATORS: Sundeeep Lakhtakia and Koji Matsuda	SESSION 5	VENUE: MR 1.49 THEME: Quality Endoscopy MODERATORS: Vikash Lala and Masihko Setohdi	SESSION 5	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Bile Duct Stones Masterclasses: From Cannulation to Management Controversy MODERATORS: Majidah Bukhari and Saurebh Mukherjee	SESSION 5	VENUE: ROOF TERRACE THEME: WEO ADEC MODERATORS: Hissao Tajiri, Shu Shang, Rami Elawry and Jean-Francois Rey	SESSION 5	VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: ePosters						SESSION 6	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63 THEME: ASSA	16:00 - 16:30	Current status of endohepatology Vinay Dhir	SESSION 5	VENUE: NERINA THEME: SAGINS CHAIRPERSON: Marilyn Pillay
16:30 - 16:50	Rudolf Schindler Honorary Lecture: Endoscopic detection and elimination of Barrett's dysplasia and neoplasia Prateek Sharma	16:30 - 16:45	EUS-guided biliary intervention Vinay Dhir	16:30 - 16:45	Setting the scene: current state of quality control and challenges in Sub-Saharan Africa Ernet Fredericks	16:30 - 16:45	The difficult papilla: strategies for successful cannulation Nageshwar Reddy Duvvuri	16:30 - 17:05	IEE for early gastric cancer (Lecture 15 min, Quiz 25 min) Hissao Tajiri	16:30 - 17:45	ePoster Viewing Area						16:30 - 17:00	Private Practice Update Eduan Deetjefs	16:30 - 17:00	Gord reflux disease Nasief van der Schijff		
16:50 - 17:05	Endoscopic detection and removal of colorectal neoplastic lesions Carlos Oliveira dos Santos	16:45 - 17:00	EUS-guided pancreatic intervention Ryan Law	16:45 - 17:00	High quality endoscopy training: principles and practice Jonathan Cohen	16:45 - 17:00	Conquering the unbreakable stone: cholangioscopy & modern lithotripsy mastery Nageshwar Reddy Duvvuri										SESSION 5	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66 THEME: SAGES				
		17:00 - 17:15	EUS-guided creation of endoluminal anastomosis Shannon Chan	17:00 - 17:15	Quality indicators in gastroscopy: what matters most Vikash Lala	17:00 - 17:15	Advanced strategy in managing stones in post-surgical anatomy: enteroscopy, ERCP or EUS? Thawee Ratanachu-Ek										17:00 - 17:30	AI and endoscopy nursing Sandie Thomson				
		17:15 - 17:30	EUS-guided vascular therapy Radhika Chavan	17:15 - 17:30	Quality in EUS: from imaging to intervention Eun Ji Shin	17:15 - 17:30	The indeterminate CBD stone: to scope or to scan? Marianna Arvanitakis										17:05 - 17:40	IEE for JINET classification (Lecture 15 min, Quiz 25 min) Yutaka Saito				
17:20 - 17:35	Endoscopic detection and elimination of bile duct stones Julio Pereira Lima	17:30 - 17:45	Q&A	17:30 - 17:45	Q&A	17:30 - 17:45	Q&A										17:40 - 17:45	Winner and closing remarks				
17:45 - 20:00 Welcome Function																						

FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2026 - DAY 2

7:30	Congress registration opens																		
		Industry Symposium	VENUE: MR 1.40 MODERATORS: Aiming Yang, Jean-Francois Rey, Maali Elsayy and VG Naidoo	Industry Symposium	VENUE: MR 1.60	Industry Symposium	VENUE: MR 2.40:							Morning Session	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63	Morning Session	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66		
		07:30 - 08:30	China-Africa Digestive Endoscopy Summit Forum 07:30 - 07:35 Opening and Welcome remarks - Asadur Tcheumedyian 07:35 - 07:47The current status of digestive endoscopy in Africa - Peng Li 07:48 - 08:00How to conduct ESD training - Shaimaa Elkholy 08:01 - 08:13How to conduct ERCP training - Shannon Chan 08:14 - 08:26How to conduct EUS training - Dong-Wan Seo 08:26 - 08:30Closing - Peng Li	07:45 - 08:30	Novo Nordisk The weight of the liver: liver disease and inflammation Jeanne Lubbe	07:45 - 08:30	Olympus Is there still a role for surgery in the management of biliary stones Lars Aabakken, Eduard Jonas, Christo Kloppers							07:45 - 08:30	Reckitt Benckiser Rethinking Reflux: The Evolving Role of Alginates in GERD Management Kugan Govender	07:45 - 08:30	Medtronic Beyond the staple line - Medtronic's approach to anastomoses with Signia circular Rachell Gasser		
SESSION 6	VENUE: Audi 1 THEME: Live Endoscopy Demonstrations MODERATORS: Stephen Tsao, Shannon Chan, Thupfesh Kothari, Jean-Francois Rey	SESSION 6	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Roles of Endoscopy in IBD MODERATORS: Ernst Fredericks and Janan Ghailth	SESSION 6	VENUE: MR 1.60 THEME: Management of Barrett's Oesophagus - A Global Approach MODERATORS: Krish Ragnunath and Shivangi Kothari	SESSION 6	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Oral presentations - Colon MODERATORS: Hyun Soo Kim and Mitsuhiro Fujishiro	SESSION 6	VENUE: ROOF TERRACE THEME: WISE I - EUS for common pancreatic lesions in practice MODERATORS: Dong-Wan Seo, Aiming Yang and Nonthaise Passawadee	SESSION 6	VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: ePosters					SESSION 6	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66 THEME: SASES - Hernias Unplugged: Fixing What Shouldn't Be There CHAIRPERSONS: Zach Koto and Christo Kloppers		
08:45 - 10:00	Live endoscopy demonstrations from India	08:45 - 09:00	Endoscopic evaluation of IBD and its mimics in Africa Melambo Mubunu	08:45 - 09:00	Epidemiology and prevalence Krish Ragnunath	08:45 - 08:55	Artificial intelligence for anal cancer screening: first multicentric validation of an interoperable system for simultaneous and differentiation of squamous cell precursor lesions Miguel Mascarenhas-Saraiva	08:45 - 09:00	EUS evaluation of pancreatic cystic lesions Christopher Khor							08:45 - 09:00	Para-stomal hernia prevention: mesh row, pay later Christo Kloppers		
		09:00 - 09:15	Endoscopic management of strictures in IBD Charles Bernstein	09:00 - 09:15	Endoscopic recognition of neoplasia Amitabh Chak	08:55 - 09:05	Endoscopic intermuscular dissection of possibly submucosa invasive rectal lesions - a prospective register study Maximilian Schneider	09:00 - 09:15	EUS evaluation of pancreatic solid lesions Ishtvan Hritz	08:45 - 10:00	ePoster Viewing Area					09:00 - 09:15	Weight & Wait to Win: the GLP-1 revolution in hernia prehabilitation Abrie Vermeulen		
		09:15 - 09:30	Endoscopic evaluation of an ileo-anal pouch Adam Boutati	09:15 - 09:30	Surveillance guidelines and improving adherence Prateek Sharma	09:15 - 09:25	Comparison of ESD versus Snare-based Resection for Localized Colorectal Cancer: A Population-Based, Propensity Score-Matched Study Jeonghuk Seo	09:15 - 09:30	Usefulness of EUS in autoimmune disease Qi Wu							09:15 - 09:30	Preperitoneal planes: the hottest space in hernia surgery Matthew Hannington		
		09:30 - 09:45	Endoscopic surveillance in IBD David Epstein	09:30 - 09:45	Endoscopic therapy: indications and techniques Long Rong	09:25 - 09:35	Automated benchmarking of colonoscopy quality from unstructured reports with selectable text: the JANUS project Alejandro Pedraza	09:30 - 09:45	Advances in diagnostic EUS (CEH, Shear-wave, DFI): when and how to use them? Taekun Song							09:30 - 09:45	Open abdomen: mind the gap Lebohang Moloi		
		09:45 - 10:00	Q&A	09:45 - 10:00	Q&A	09:35 - 09:45	Artificial intelligence and endoanal ultrasound: multicenter validation of automated detection and differentiation of benign lesions Miguel Mascarenhas-Saraiva	09:45 - 10:00	Q&A							09:45 - 10:00	Q&A		
10:00 - 10:30	Tea Break and Exhibition																		
SESSION 7	VENUE: Audi 1 THEME: Live Endoscopy Demonstrations MODERATORS: Nageshwar Reddy Duvvuri, Julio Pereira Lima, Jean-Francois Rey	SESSION 7	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Grants Ceremony MODERATOR: Mario Dinis Ribeiro	SESSION 7	VENUE: MR 1.60 THEME: Women in Endoscopy MODERATORS: Eun Young Kim, Evelyn Dicker, Sharon Chan and Purnima Bhat	SESSION 7	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Oral presentations - Third Space MODERATORS: Daniela Cardoso and Bayasgalan Luvсандягва	SESSION 7	VENUE: ROOF TERRACE THEME: WISE II - EUS beyond the basics: advanced techniques in practice MODERATORS: Douglas Faigel and Kulwinder Dua	SESSION 7	VENUE: EXHIBITION THEME: ePosters			SESSION 7	VENUE: Commercial Area THEME: Hands-On Demonstration	SESSION 7	VENUE: RM 2.61 - 2.63 THEME: ASSA - Trauma: Precision Under Pressure: Managing Complex Visceral Injury CHAIRPERSON: Steve Moeng	SESSION 7	VENUE: RM 2.64 - 2.66 THEME: SASES - MBS CHAIRPERSON: Zach Koto
10:30 - 11:45	Live endoscopy demonstrations from India	10:30 - 11:45	Grants Ceremony	10:30 - 10:40	From Competence to Mastery: Women in Advanced Endoscopic Therapy Shaimaa Elkholy	10:30 - 10:40	Long-Term Outcomes and Stricture Burden After Circumferential Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection for Esophageal Cancer Xin-Guang Cao	10:30 - 10:45	Tips to overcome difficult EUS-FNB Peng Li					10:30 - 11:45	ePoster Viewing Area	10:30 - 10:45	Critical neck trauma: evidence-based management of pharyngeal and cervical oesophageal injuries Steve Moeng		
				10:40 - 10:50	Women in leadership & innovation: pathways that work Lubna Kamani	10:40 - 10:50	Efficacy of Snare Traction in Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection for Large Superficial Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma (Lesion Length ≥ 3 cm) Nan Dai	10:45 - 11:00	EUS-ERCP interface in real-life practice Kulwinder Dua							10:45 - 11:00	Penetrating duodenal trauma: decision-making in a high-stakes environment Nasirya Laher	10:30 - 11:00	Is medication or surgery the answer to SAVA's obesity epidemic? Thinus Smit (surgery) vs. Wayne May (medication) – 10 min each and then 10 minutes Q&A
				10:50 - 11:00	Men who mentor women Amitabh Chak	10:50 - 11:00	Endoscopic submucosal dissection in the geriatric population – A retrospective analysis of the efficacy and safety of ESD in a cohort of 123 patients aged 80 years and older Urszula Zawada									11:00 - 11:15	OAGB – Latest evidence and role in obesity treatment Osh Matsuyoch		
				11:00 - 11:30	Global perspective: challenges and opportunities for women endoscopists Africa: Mashiko Setshedi (5 min) Asia: Nonthaise Passawadee (5 min) Middle East: Majidah Bukhari (5 min) Oceania: Payal Saxena (5 min) Europe: Marianna Arvanitakis (5 min) America: Shivangi Kothari (5min) Q&A with Group discussion	11:00 - 11:10	Efficacy and Safety of a Novel Reversible Gastric Bypass Stent System for Weight Loss: A Multicentre Real-World Study Yutao Wang	11:00 - 11:15	EUS-guided tumour ablation Dong-Wan Seo				10:30 - 12:00	Hands-on demonstration Session 2	11:00 - 11:15	The open abdomen: anticipating, preventing and managing complications Shumani Makhadi	11:00 - 11:15		
				11:30 - 11:45		11:10 - 11:20	Outcomes of Non-curative Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection with or Without Adjuvant Chemoradiotherapy Versus Esophagectomy for the Treatment of Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma Stefano Baraldo	11:15 - 11:30	EUS-guided peripancratic fluid collection drainage: when and how? Elsayed Ghoneem						11:15 - 11:30	Damage control resuscitation: contemporary practice and emerging evidence Chanel Changfoot	11:15 - 11:30	Setting up a private Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Unit in SA – tips, challenges and solutions Mpho Sandamela	

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SATURDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2026 - DAY 3

Congress registration opens															
		WEO	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: WEO												
		07:45 - 08:30	Governing Council Meeting												
		08:30 - 08:45	WEO General Assembly												
SESSION 11	VENUE: Audit 1 THEME: World Cup Video Forum MODERATOR: Payal Saxena JUDGES: Nageshwar Reddy Duvvuri, Theavee Ratanachai-Ek, Jerem Mostafa, Shannen Chan, Galya Chinnery	SESSION 11	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Challenges In Endoscopy Practice In Resources-Limited Areas MODERATORS: Sandie Thomson and Purnima Bhat	SESSION 11	VENUE: MR 1.60 THEME: Multidisciplinary Approach to Colorectal Cancer in 2026 MODERATORS: Claire Warden and Jeong-Sik Byeon	SESSION 11	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Third Space Endoscopy MODERATORS: Eduardo Guimardes Hounreux de Mours and Amit Maydeo						SESSION 11	VENUE: RM 2.60 THEME: ASSA/SAGES/SAGES - Ethics CHAIRPERSONS: Peter Barrow and Wayne Simmonds	
08:45 - 10:00	08:45 - 08:52 Beyond Conventional ESD for Rectal Cancer: Endoscopic Mesorectal Dissection - Sridhar Sundaram 08:52 - 08:59 Artificial intelligence for pancreatic cyst dysplasia grading in endoscopic ultrasound: a multicenter study 08:59 - 09:06 Endoscopic Ultrasound-Guided Shunt Occlusion in Shunt-Related Hepatic Encephalopathy: A Two-Patient Experience - Saurabh Mukewar 09:06 - 09:13 Clutch Cutter - Assisted Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection of Large Pedunculated Colonic Polyps - Technical Feasibility and Outcomes - Vinodh Kumar Ramachandran 09:13 - 09:20 Endoscopic Erbelec resection of large GISTs after neo adjuvant imatinib: An organ preserving strategy - Yash Kanani 09:20 - 09:27 Endoscopic Myotomy as a Minimally Invasive Approach for Post- Esophagectomy Gastric Conduit Torsion - Bruno Martins 09:27 - 09:34 Endoscopic management of malignant small bowel obstruction - Anindita Phukan 09:34 - 10:00 Prize Giving	08:45 - 09:00	Endoscopy in a resource-limited environment: doing more with less Michael Mwachiro	08:45 - 09:00	Staging Colorectal Neoplasia: choosing the right resection technique Giulio Antonelli	08:45 - 09:00	POEM for achalasia: outcomes from an 18 yrs odyssey Philip Chiu	08:45 - 10:00	ePoster Viewing Area	08:45 - 09:25	The Business of Medicine and how to stay ethical Anthony Behrman	09:25 - 10:05	Ethical antimicrobial use - some thoughts Marc Blockman		
		09:00 - 09:15	Re-using endoscopy equipment: risks and benefits Rungsaun Rerknimitr	09:00 - 09:15	Beyond Submucosal Resection: EID, EFTR Mitsuhiro Fujishiro	09:00 - 09:15	3rd space endoscopic management for oesophageal diverticulum Daniela Cardoso								
		09:15 - 09:30	Managing acute GI bleeding in resource-limited environment Eliy Ogutu	09:15 - 09:30	High Risk T1 resection in the rectum: what now? Yutaka Saito	09:15 - 09:30	Endoscopic antireflux procedures: from 1st space to 3rd space Anmol Bapaye				09:25 - 10:05				
		09:30 - 09:45	Third space endoscopy experience: from challenges to triumph Middle East & Africa experience Shaimaa Elkholy	09:30 - 09:45	Recurrence after endoscopic resection: How to recognise it and how to treat it Stephen Tsao	09:30 - 09:45	G-POEM: expanding application in 3rd space endoscopy Ryan Law								
		09:45 - 10:00	Q&A	09:45 - 10:00	Q&A	09:45 - 10:00	Q&A								
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		SESSION 12	VENUE: MR 1.40 THEME: Evolving Role of AI in Endoscopy MODERATORS: Hisao Tajiri and Payal Saxena	SESSION 12	VENUE: MR 1.60 THEME: Maximally Invasive Endoscopy (MIE) Meets Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS) MODERATORS: Stephen Tsao and Theavee Ratanachai-Ek	SESSION 12	VENUE: MR 2.40 THEME: Updated Endoscopic Management of Pancreatic Disorders: When Timing and Technique Matter MODERATORS: Natini Gude and Ajay Kumar						SESSION 12	VENUE: RM 2.60 THEME: Endoscopy Research Made Practical MODERATORS: Krish Ragunath and Nonhlahisoa Pausawadi	
		10:30 - 10:45	Understanding the basics of AI in endoscopy Cesare Hassan	10:30 - 10:50	End-stage achalasia: oesophagectomy or POEM first? Anmol Bapaye	10:30 - 10:45	Taming the Necrosis: Modern Endoscopic Management of Walled- off necrosis Saffar Mahmood	10:30 - 11:45	ePoster Viewing Area	10:30 - 10:50	Getting started: how to build an endoscopy research mindset and answering clinical questions: how to select the right study design Krish Ragunath	10:50 - 11:05	Doing research in resource-limited settings: strategies that work Sandie Thomson		
		10:45 - 11:00	AI for GI cancers Rungsaun Rerknimitr	10:50 - 11:10	Gastric subepithelial tumors: EFTR or LECS? Long Rong	10:45 - 11:00	Endoscopy in Acute Pancreatitis: Timing, Indications & Impact Ibrahim Mostafa							11:05 - 11:18	From data to publication: writing and publishing in high-impact journals Purnima Bhat
		11:00 - 11:15	AI for endoscopy workflow solutions Jonathan Cohen	11:10 - 11:30	PAEM/ED or TEM/TAMIS for T1 rectal cancer Claire Warden	11:00 - 11:15	Post-ERCP Pancreatitis: The 2026 Prevention Playbook Amit Maydeo							11:18 - 11:30	Q&A
		11:15 - 11:30	Global implementation of AI: challenges and opportunities Yuichi Mori	11:30 - 11:40	Q&A	11:15 - 11:30	The Obstructed Pancreatic Duct: Stones, Strictures & Strategy Helmut Messmann								
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SESSION 13	VENUE: Audit 1 THEME: ENDO 2026 Closing												SESSION 13	VENUE: RM 2.60 THEME: IBD Africa Patient Meeting	
11:45 - 12:45	ENDO 2026 Closing Ceremony and ENDO 2026 Handover												11:45 - 13:45	IBD Africa	