



14TH - 18TH SEPTEMBER 2026
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 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
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Monday 14 th September 2026										
08:00 – 09:00	Registration and Arrival Refreshments									
09:00 – 12:00	Conference Room (G) (220 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
			ICCH Masterclass 2 Inductive methods for studying recordings of clinical interaction: Part A – Microanalysis					rEACH Course Observational coding of healthcare communication	Early Career EACH Course When TV teaches Health Communication: Understanding and Using Health Storylines for Research and Education	ICCH Masterclass 1 Relationship-centred Communication in Teams
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch									
13:00 – 16:00	Conference Room (G) (220 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
		ICCH Masterclass 4 Beyond Scripts: Teaching High-	ICCH Masterclass 3 Inductive methods for studying	ICCH Masterclass 5 Resilience for Rising				rEACH Course Observational coding of	Early Career Course When TV teaches Health	ICCH Masterclass 1 Relationship-



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Tuesday 15 th September 2026									
07:00 – 08:00	Registration & Arrival Refreshments								
08:00 – 12:30	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
	ICCH Masterclass 6 Train the trainer - Playful learning to build psychological safety for communication skills training	ICCH Masterclass 6 Train the trainer - Playful learning to build psychological safety for communication skills training	ICCH Masterclass 7 Addressing Health Misinformation in Clinical Encounters: Persuasion Strategies for Clinicians	CFC Course Courses for Clinicians Workshop	CFC Course Courses for Clinicians Workshop (Breakout Room)	rEACH Course Observational coding of healthcare communication	rEACH Course Observational coding of healthcare communication	pEACH Course Getting Your Voice Heard - Evidence-based Approaches to Negotiating with Institutional and Government Powerbrokers and Policy Makers	ICCH Masterclass 8 Getting Started in Healthcare Communication Education Research: Questions, Paradigms, Practicalities
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch with new member orientation (13:00-14:00) and moderator orientation (13:30-14:00)								
14:00 – 15:00	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
			tEACH Sub-Committee Meeting			rEACH Sub-Committee Meeting	Early Career EACH Sub-Committee Meeting		



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15:00-16:00		Pairing Programme 1			pEACH Sub-Committee Meeting					
16:00 – 17:30	Assembly Hall (G) <i>(600 theatre)</i>									
	Plenary 1 and EACH Fellowship Patient Perspective/Engagement Austin O'Carroll									
17:30 – 19:00	Conference room (entry level)									
	Welcome Drinks Reception and Poster Session #1									
	Assembly Hall (G) <i>(600 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 6 (G) <i>(50 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 7 (G) <i>(50 theatre)</i>	Boardroom (1st) <i>(100 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 1 (1st) <i>(44 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 2 (1st) <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 3 (1st) <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 4 (1st) <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 5 (1st) <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Minor Hall (2nd) <i>(100 theatre)</i>
			WIP e-Posters							



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13:00-14:30	Lunch									
13:00-14:30 (over lunch)	Assembly Hall (G) (600 cabaret & theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
		13:30-14:30 PEC								13:30 – 14:30 Pairing Programme 2
14:30-16:00	Assembly Hall (G) (600 cabaret & theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
	Parallel Session 2 workshop	Parallel Session 2 Symposium	Parallel Session 2 Student Symposium	Parallel Session 2 Workshop	Parallel Session 2 Oral	Parallel Session 2 WIPS	Parallel Session 2 WIPS	Parallel Session 2 Oral	Parallel Session 2 Oral	Parallel Session 2 Workshop
16:00-17:30	Conference room (entry level)									
	Afternoon Refreshments and Poster Session 2									
	Assembly Hall (G) (600 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
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17:30-18:30	Assembly Hall (G) (600 cabaret & theatre)									
	EACH AGM									



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18:30-19:30	Assembly Hall (G) (600 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
		Early Career EACH Networking meeting	pEACH Networking meeting	tEACH Networking meeting						rEACH Networking meeting



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Thursday 17 th September 2026											
07:30 – 08:30	Registration & Arrival Refreshments										
08:30 – 10:00	Assembly Hall (G) (600 theatre)										
	Plenary 3 and New President's Address Empathic communication: It's not what you say, it's what you feel when you say it. Dr Andy Ward, Associate Professor of Medical Education, Honorary Senior Academic GP, Director of Education and Training, The Stoneygate Centre for Empathic Healthcare, School of Medicine, University of Leicester, UK										
10:00-10:30	Morning Refreshments										
10:30 – 12:00	Assembly Hall (G) (600 cabaret & theatre)	Conference Room (entry level) (220 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)
	Parallel Session 3 Workshop	Parallel Session 3 Workshop	Parallel Session 3 Oral	Parallel Session 3 Oral	Parallel Session 3 Symposium	Parallel Session 3 Oral	Parallel Session 3 WIPS	Parallel Session 3 WIPS	Parallel Session 3 Orals	Parallel Session 3 Orals	Parallel Session 3 Workshop
12:00-13:30	Lunch and Networking 2 (subcommittees in concourse area or reserved tables in Assembly Hall)										
12:30-13:30 (over lunch)	Assembly Hall (G) (600 theatre)	Conference Room (entry level) (220 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1 st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1 st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1 st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2 nd) (100 theatre)



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	Debate Session		SIG1 Improv in Health Professions Education	SIG2 Communication in surgical subspecialties	SIG3 Healthcare communication education research	SIG4 Healthcare communication in nursing	SIG5 Language and cultural discordance in healthcare communication	SIG6 Large scale communication Interventions for healthcare professionals	SIG7 Network of sequence analysis (VR-Codes)	SIG8 Conversation Analysis for Communication in Healthcare	SIG9 EACH/ICA Partnership Working Group
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	Parallel Session 4 Workshop	Parallel Session 4 Workshop	Parallel Session 4 Oral	Parallel Session 4 Oral	Parallel Session 4 Symposium	Parallel Session 4 Oral	Parallel Session 4 WIPS	Parallel Session 4 Oral	Parallel Session 4 Oral	Parallel Session 4 Oral	Parallel Session 4 Workshop
15:00-15:30	Afternoon Refreshments										
15:30-16:30	Assembly Hall (G) (600 theatre)	Conference Room (entry level) (220 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 (G) (50 theatre)	Meeting Room 7 (G) (50 theatre)	Boardroom (1st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1st) (44 theatre)	Meeting Room 2 (1st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 4 (1st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 5 (1st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2nd) (100 theatre)
	Roundtable 1	Roundtable 2	Roundtable 3	Roundtable 4	Roundtable 5	Roundtable 6	Roundtable 7	Roundtable 8	Roundtable 9 Early Career EACH	Roundtable 10 pEACH	Creative Communications 1
16:30-18:00	Assembly Hall (G)	Conference Room (entry level)	Meeting Room 6 (G)	Meeting Room 7 (G)	Boardroom (1st) (100 theatre)	Meeting Room 1 (1st) (1 st)	Meeting Room 2 (1st) (30 theatre)	Meeting Room 3 (1st) (1 st)	Meeting Room 4 (1st) (1 st)	Meeting Room 5 (1st) (30 theatre)	Minor Hall (2nd) (100 theatre)



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	Parallel Session 5 Workshop	Parallel Session 5 Workshop	Parallel Session 5 Oral	Parallel Session 5 Oral	Parallel Session 5 Symposium	Parallel Session 5 Oral	Parallel Session 5 WIPS	Parallel Session 5 Oral	Parallel Session 5 Oral	Parallel Session 5 Creative Communications 2	Parallel Session 5 Workshop
19:00–01.00	Cocktail Reception & Conference Dinner at Titanic Museum, Belfast										



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Friday 18 th September 2026											
07:30–08:30	Registration & Arrival Refreshments										
08:30-10:00	Assembly Hall <i>(G)</i> <i>(600 theatre)</i>										
	Plenary 4 and Jozien Bensing and Teaching Awards Paul Barr										
10:00-10:30	Morning Refreshments										
10:30-12:00	Assembly Hall <i>(G)</i> <i>(600 theatre)</i>	Conference Room (entry level) (220 theatre)	Meeting Room 6 <i>(G)</i> <i>(50 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 7 <i>(G)</i> <i>(50 theatre)</i>	Boardroom <i>(1st)</i> <i>(100 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 1 <i>(1st)</i> <i>(44 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 2 <i>(1st)</i> <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 3 <i>(1st)</i> <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 4 <i>(1st)</i> <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Meeting Room 5 <i>(1st)</i> <i>(30 theatre)</i>	Minor Hall <i>(2nd)</i> <i>(100 theatre)</i>
	Parallel Session 6 Workshop	Parallel Session 6 Workshop	Parallel Session 6 Oral	Parallel Session 6 rEACH Symposium	Parallel Session 6 Symposium	Parallel Session 6 Oral	Parallel Session 6 WIPS	Parallel Session 6 Oral	Parallel Session 6 Oral	Parallel Session 6 Oral	Parallel Session 6 Workshop
12:00-13:30	Parallel Session 7 Workshop	Parallel Session 7 Workshop	Parallel Session 7 Oral	Parallel Session 7 Oral	Parallel Session 7 Symposium	Parallel Session 7 Oral	Parallel Session 7 WIPS	Parallel Session 7 WIPS	Parallel Session 7 Oral	Parallel Session 7 Creative Communications 3	Parallel Session 7 Workshop
13:30 – 14:30	Assembly Hall <i>(G)</i> <i>(600 theatre)</i>										
	Closing Session										
14:30-15:30	Bag lunches										



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15:00– 16:00	Meeting Room 4 (1st) (30 theatre)
	Advisory Committee Meeting