



Davos Course 2025

Emergency & Acute Care Surgery

Preliminary Scientific Program

05.04. - 10.04.2025

Information on new pilot project module: Emergency Surgery

In 2025 for the first time, we will start a pilot project with a module **Emergency & Acute Care Surgery**, focusing on abdominal emergencies. This course addresses general and visceral surgeons going for UEMS certification as well as emergency surgeons in training.

The pilot module will offer lectures, interactive session and open as well as laparoscopic exercises focused on emergency and acute care surgery.

The Pediatric Surgery Module Faculty 2025:

Peter Svenningsen	Module Director	Copenhagen, DK
Otmar Buyne	Module Co-Director	Nijmegen, NL
Tobias Zingg		Lausanne, CH
Dimitrios Damaskos		Edinburgh, UK
Luke Evans		Norwich, UK
Johan Lock		Würzburg, G
Romain Seppey		Biel, CH
Matti Tolonen		Helsinki, FI
Anders Peter Skovsen		Copenhagen, DK

Furthermore other Faculty Members from the GI Foundation will contribute.

Participants within the Emergency & Acute Care Surgery module will furthermore be offered the chance to join Virtual Reality as well as Robotic Surgery Training in their free time.

REGISTER EARLY

As places are limited be aware that reservation of your place is only given after payment!

We hope to motivate you and your colleagues from all surgery departments to join this new module and wish you a great course!

Walter Brunner, Peter Svenningsen, Otmar Buyne

SATURDAY, 05.04.2025

	ONLY for Faculty & Instructors, Industry Hall Davos
09.00	<i>Industry Briefing</i> Light Welcome Breakfast
10.00	Faculty meeting & Instructors briefing (all modules) Get to know & Teach the teacher
From 10.45	Module core Meetings

Advanced Course Emergency & Acute Care Surgery

10.00 **Opening of the Course Secretariat and Registration**

11.00	Start Advanced Course Emergency & Acute Care Surgery Module Room Studio - P. Svenningsen
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Welcome & Introduction of Faculty and Participants

11.15 – 12.45	Lecture I Moderation: P. Svenningsen, T. Zingg	
	Emergency surgery in a European perspective - P. Svenningsen	20 min
	Overview of common emergency abdominal surgical conditions - R. Seppey	20 min
	Principles of triage and prioritization in emergency surgery - T. Zingg	20 min
	Role of teamwork and non-technical skills for improving emergency surgical outcomes - D. Damaskos	20 min
12.45 – 13.45	Lunch break	

13.45	DAVOS COURSE OPENING Hall Davos (all Course Levels) - W. Brunner, St. Gallen, CH - L. Fourie, Luzern, CH	
14.15 – 16.15	Practical exercises (see individual schedule) Hall Davos 1/3	
16.15 – 16.45	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
16.45 – 18.30	Small group work I Room Studio	
	Damage control surgery, bleeding, ischemia and VAC	
	Moderation: O. Buyne, D. Damaskos	
	Case 1 M. Tolonen	20 min
	Case 2 J. Lock	20 min
	Case 3 T. Zingg	20 min
	Stoma formation Dieter Hahnloser	20 min
	Instruction of models for Sunday P. Svenningsen	10 min
18.45	Special Lecture & Welcome Reception Hall Davos & Foyer	

SUNDAY, 06.04.2025

08.00 – 09.30	Practical exercises (see individual schedule) Hall Davos 1/3	
09.30 – 10.00	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
10.00 – 12.00	Lecture II Room Studio	
	Moderators: M. Tolonen, J. Lock	
	Initial Assessment and Management - R. Seppey	30 + 10 min
	Preoperative care - AP. Skovsen	30 + 10 min
	Definitive Treatment - L. Evans	30 + 10 min
12.00 – 14.30	Lunch break Virtual Reality Training available (Room Sertig) Robotic Training available (Room Wisshorn)	
14.00	Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
14.30 – 16.00	Practical exercises (see individual schedule) Hall Davos 1/3	
16.15 – 17.15	Interactive Panel discussion Hall Davos	
	Clinical scenarios I: decision making Acute situations in abdominal surgery:	
	- Moderator:	O. Buyne, Nijmegen
	- Panelists:	C. Bruns, Köln V. Sallinen, Helsinki D. Kjaer, Aarhus
	Case Presenters:	S. Staubli, London A. Shamiyeh, Linz

17.30 – 18.30

Small group work II

Room Studio

Moderation: T. Zingg, R. Seppey

Case 1 20 min
P. Svenningsen

Case 2 20 min
D. Damaskos

Case 3 20 min
O. Buyne

MONDAY, 07.04.2025

08.00 – 09.30	Practical exercises (see individual schedule) Hall Davos 1/3	
09.30 – 10.00	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
10.00 – 12.00	Lecture IV Room Studio	
	Moderators: L. Evans, D. Damaskos	
	Postoperative management - R. Seppey	30 + 10 min
	Care Bundles - AP Skovsen	30 + 10 min
	Visceral Trauma - T. Zingg	30 + 10 min
12.00 – 14.00	Lunch break	
	Virtual Reality Training available (Room Sertig) Robotic Training available (Room Wisshorn)	
14.00 – 15.30	Practical exercises (see individual schedule) Hall Davos 1/3	
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
16:00 -17:30	Interactive joint session Hall Davos	
	Moderation: W. Brunner, St. Gallen D. Christoforidis; Lugano	
	Children are same, but different - what every general surgeon should know about pediatric surgery! - S. Holland-Cunz, Basel	
	Management of surgical complication and its evidence	
	Case Presenters: Ch. Toso, Genf St. Breitenstein, Winterthur	

17.45 – 18.45

Small group work III

Room Studio

Moderation: J. Lock, M. Tolonen

Case 1

L. Evans

20 min

Case 2

AP. Skovsen

20 min

Case 3

R. Seppey

20 min

Wednesday, 09.04.2025

08.00 – 09.30	Lecture VI Room Studio	
	Moderation: L. Evans, R. Seppey	
	Acute proctology - Dieter Hahnloser	20 + 10 min
	Small bowel obstructions AP. Skovsen	20 + 10 min
	Acute Colon obstructions D. Damaskos	20 + 10 min
09.30 – 10.00	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
10.00 – 12.00	Practical exercises emergency laparoscopy Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
12.00 – 16.00	Lunch break <i>Virtual Reality Training available (Room Sertig)</i> <i>Robotic Training available (Room Wisshorn)</i>	
15.30	Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
16.00 – 17.00	Acute situations in abdominal surgery: clinical scenarios Hall Davos	
	Moderation: F. Herbst, Wien	
	- Panelists:	B. Müller, Basel C. Williamsson, Lund P. Svehnigsen, Copenhagen
	Case Presenters:	B. Weixler, Winterthur K. Horisberger, Mainz
17.15 – 19.15	Practical exercises Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	

Thursday, 10.04.2025

08.00 – 10.00	Practical exercises emergency laparoscopy Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
10.15 – 12.45	Lecture VII – Meet the experts Brunch session Room Studio	
	Moderators: T. Zingg, AP. Skovsen	
	Acute IBD management - J. Lock	20 min
	Ischemia - R. Seppey	20 min
	Pancreatitis - M. Tolonen	20 min
	Open abdomen – how to close it - D. Damaskos	20 min
	Complications - how to deal with them - L. Evans	20 min
13.00 – 14.30	Practical exercises emergency laparoscopy Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
14.30	End of course Distribution of certificates / Feedback round Room Seehorn P. Svenningsen, O. Buyne	