



Davos Course 2026

Advanced Course: Hernia Module

Scientific Program

14.04. - 16.04.2026

Information on combination of Advanced Course Modules:

Different modules within the Advanced Course can be combined and a reduced fee is available for combined modules.

The Modules Colorectal, HPB and Bariatric take place from Saturday to Tuesday and can be combined with Modules Hernia or Upper GI taking place from Tuesday to Thursday.

In case of any question please contact the organization.

As places are limited in Advanced Course Modules be aware that reservation of your place is only given after payment! Participants who book combined modules will be preferred in case of waiting lists.

Tuesday, 14.04.2026

ACH

16.15

ONLY for Faculty & Instructors
Instructors briefing Advanced Course
Upper GI Module & Hernia Module
Room Aspen
- W. Brunner

Advanced Course Hernia Module

16.00

Registration for participants only joining hernia module
at Course Secretariat

16.45

Start Advanced Course Hernia Module
Room Aspen
- W. Brunner

17.00 – 19.30

Lecture I - Standard techniques – operative steps

Moderation: R. Kraus, L. Massey

Concepts in inguinal hernia repair W. Brunner

A difficult case – inguinal hernia B. Mück

Concepts in ventral hernia repair H. Hoffmann

A difficult case – ventral hernia D. Eucker

Instruction of models - W. Brunner, U Dietz

Wednesday, 15.04.2026

ACH

08.00 – 09.30	Practical Exercises Room Sanada (see individual schedule)
09.30 – 10.00	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)
10.00 – 12.00	Lecture II Room Aspen Moderation: H. Hoffmann, A. Sayers
	Wound closure and infection R. Fortelny
	Preoperative optimisation L. Massey
	TAR – step by step J. Douissard
	Concepts in parastomal hernia repair W. Brunner
12.00 – 14.45	Lunch break
14.45 – 16.45	Practical exercises Room Sanada (see individual schedule)
16.45 – 17.15	Break Coffe and sweets (trade exhibition)
17.15 – 19.15	Split group theory Room Aspen Treatment of recurrent inguinal hernia H. Hoffmann R. Kraus, A. Sayers, B. Mück, G. Köhler
	Room Studio Approaches to chronic inguinal pain U. Dietz R. Fortelny, L. Massey, J. Douissard, W. Tabarelli

Thursday, 16.04.2026

ACH

08.00 – 10.00	Lecture III Room Aspen	
	Moderation: D. Eucker, M. Willaume	
	What should you know about meshes	A. Sayers
	Robotics in hernia surgery	B. Mück
	Abdominal compartment syndrome: Open abdomen – options for closure	H. Hoffmann
	What's hot, what's new?	G. Köhler
10.00 – 10.30	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
10.30 – 12.15	Practical Exercises Room Sanada (see individual schedule)	
12.15 – 12.30	Break	
12.30 – 14.15	Meet the experts lunch Room Aspen	
	Moderation: H. Hoffmann, B. Mück	
	BTX in ventral hernia repair	H. Hoffmann D. Eucker
	Re – redo ventral hernia – options?	J. Douissard
	Complications in hernia repair - avoidance & treatment	R. Fortelny
14.15 – 14.30	Advanced Course Closure Hernia Module Distribution of certificates	