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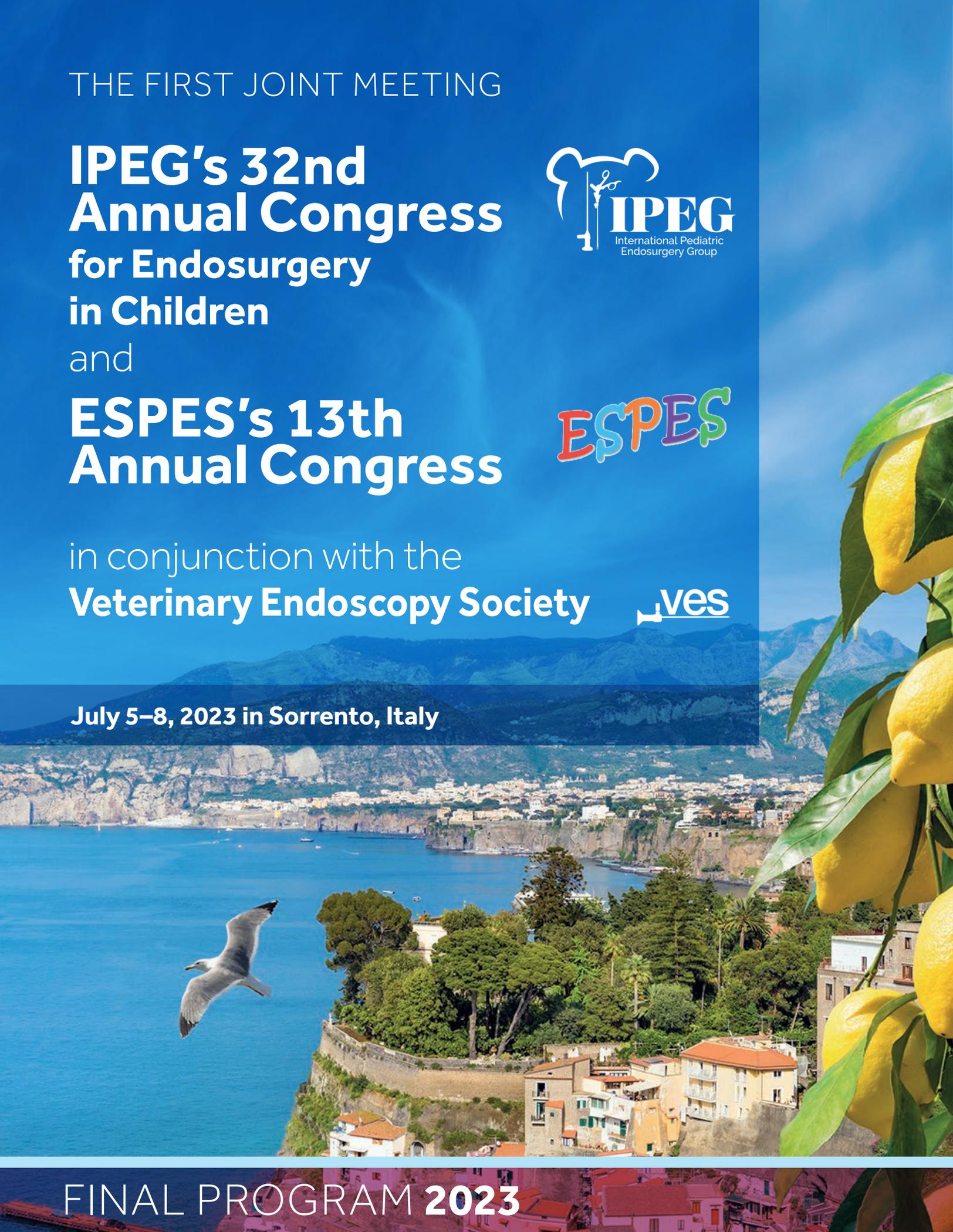
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PRESIDENTS' WELCOME MESSAGE

Dear Members of IPEG and ESPES,
Dear Colleagues,
Dear Friends,

Welcome to IPEG's 32nd and ESPES' 13th Annual Congress – the first Joint Congress of both our societies.

For those joining us for the first time and our new members, warmly welcome to our family.

Our picturesque host city, Sorrento, eagerly awaits your arrival. The joint international program committee has meticulously crafted an impressive lineup covering all aspects of pediatric minimally invasive surgery, complemented by various pre-congress courses.

This groundbreaking Joint Congress will showcase the latest in hands-on simulation courses and offer expert panels on ICG, fetoscopy, and minimally invasive oncological surgery. Expect riveting video sessions and enlightening scientific discussions.

In addition to the academic offerings, look forward to a padel tournament, a serene gathering in a lemon tree-adorned garden, and the much-anticipated main event on Friday evening. This promises to be the grandest pediatric surgery congress ever held in Europe.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Sabine Zundel, Rebecca Rentea, Maria Escolino, Jason Fraser, Maxi Maricic, and countless others. Their tireless efforts have resulted in this exceptional program designed for you.

Excitingly, for the first time, this congress will run parallel with the Veterinary Endoscopy Society (VES). Take the chance to explore their pioneering work in minimally invasive animal surgery. It's truly remarkable!

We can't wait to see you in Sorrento.

Sincerely,
Yours

Philipp Szavay, MD
IPEG President

Ciro Esposito, MD
Local Chairman

Juan de Agustin, MD
ESPES President



PROGRAM CHAIRS' WELCOME

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It has been an honor to serve as program chairs for the first joint meeting of IPEG & ESPES. This will be one of the biggest pediatric MIS meetings Europe has ever seen. Out of 754 submitted abstracts, we accepted 473 presentations for the scientific program (63%). Presenters come from all over the world and there will be over 800 attendees from 78 countries, making this a truly international meeting.

The pre-congress courses are designed to target specific needs of pediatric surgeons and urologists. Depending on specialization and level of training, we offer a joint IPEG & ESPES MIS essentials skills course, two IPEG tissue model courses, ESPES seminars on urology and robotic surgery, and an ESPES hands-on robotic training course.

The scientific program encompasses two and a half days with many concurrent sessions. Together with the program committee, we created a varied program including panel discussions, video sessions, and expert lectures. As a special feature, we were able to assort scientific abstracts into topic specific sessions. This will facilitate very thorough discussions and allow for contextual learning, thus enhancing the educational benefit for the delegates. IPEG and ESPES have always focused on advancement in the field of pediatric MIS, and we are proud to include three innovation sessions in the program. A final highlight will be the worst nightmare session. As it will be a very busy program, we encourage attendees to view the scientific program and plan their attendance in advance.

In addition to the scientific program, the beautiful city of Sorrento with its long, warm evenings will enhance reunions with colleagues and friends, small group exchanges, and expansion of one's professional pediatric surgery network.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Sorrento.

Sabine Zundel
Ciro Esposito





Who Should Attend?

The first joint congress of IPEG&ESPES is specifically designed to meet the needs of practicing pediatric surgeons, pediatric urologists, and other related specialties, physicians-in-training, GI assistants, and nurses who are interested in minimally invasive surgery in children and adolescents. The joint IPEG & ESPES Program Committee recommends that participants design their own attendance schedule based on their own personal educational objectives.

Meeting Objectives

The objectives of the activity are to educate pediatric surgeons and pediatric urologists about developing techniques in minimal invasive surgery, to discuss the evidence supporting these techniques, and to provide a forum for discussions at a scientific level. Topics will reveal scientific developments that will affect the participants' patient population.

Specific Objectives include

- Presentation of new and developing minimally invasive surgical techniques in a scientific environment.
- Debates about controversial issues regarding indications, techniques and outcomes of minimally invasive surgery in infants and children.
- Interaction with experts in the fields of minimally invasive pediatric surgery and urology during panels on Fetoscopy, ICG Fluorescence imaging, and pediatric surgical oncology.
- Encourage and establish international networking in the management of minimally invasive surgical interventions for infants and children.

Registration

	Early bird By March 14th	Late bird After March 15th	On-site From July 5th
IPEG/ESPES Members	520 €	650 €	750 €
IPEG/ESPES Non-Members	620 €	750 €	850 €
Trainees, Medical Students, Nurses	270 €	370 €	450 €
Low-income Countries	270 €	370 €	450 €
Accompanying Persons	270 €	370 €	450 €

Meeting Hours:

Opening hours of Registration desk and Speaker ready room:

June 5th: 07:30
June 6th: 07:00
June 7th: 07:30
June 8th: 08:30

Scientific program, concordant in three rooms

June 5th: 08:00 – 18:00 Courses
June 6th: 07:30 – 17.15
June 7th: 08:00 – 17.15
June 8th: 09:00 – 13.40

FURTHER INFORMATION



Transportation to Hilton Sorrento Palace Hotel

There will be an information desk at Naples-Capodichino International Airport to assist you in your travels to Sorrento. You can choose between an

- affiliated bus transfer (prior registration required)
- car rental with AVIS IPEG&ESPES discount rates
- shuttle services with mini-buses or cars, taxi
- public transport.

More details and the registration form for the bus transfer can be found here →



Event Dress Code:

Please note that the dress code for the entire conference is summer casual.

Language

Please note that the official language of the meeting is English.

EVENT APP



Name: IPEGESPEVES
Password: SORRENTO

It will provide

- General information
- The scientific program

You will be able to

- Highlight your favorite sessions
- Plan which session to attend
- Find direct links to text abstracts

Please participate actively by

- Posting photos and comments on the social wall
- Answering polls
- Voting

Use the opportunity to network

- Chat with colleagues
- Organize meetings
- Exchange contact data

ACCREDITATION



This activity has been granted **18** European CME credits (ECMEC®s) by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®).



SABINE ZUNDEL, Department of Pediatric Surgery, Lucerne Children's Hospital, Switzerland

Dr. Sabine Zundel started her medical training at the Humboldt-University in Berlin and completed it at the Eberhard-Karls University in Tübingen in southern Germany. She stayed in Tübingen for her surgical training at the Department of Pediatric Surgery and Pediatric Urology of the University Hospital. Being passionate about teaching, Dr. Zundel subsequently completed a Master program in medical education in Bern, Switzerland. Dr. Zundel was then recruited to join the faculty at Children's Hospital Lucerne, Switzerland. Clinically, she focuses on pediatric urology and minimal invasive procedures. Additionally, she continued her academic career and was appointed Associate Professor at the University of Zürich, Switzerland for her thesis titled "Medical Education in Surgery". Dr. Zundel has been intricately involved on several committees in IPEG, program planning and the hands-on courses. Additionally, she is the CME chair for the Swiss Society of Pediatric Surgery and is also responsible for the accreditation of residency programs. Sabine has three adult sons and goes mountain biking, white water kayaking or back country skiing as often as possible.



CIRO ESPOSITO, Pediatric Surgery, Federico II University of Naples, Italy

Professor Esposito is Full Professor of Pediatric Surgery as well as the Chief of Pediatric Surgery Unit in Federico II University Hospital, Naples, Italy. He is also the Chief of Federico II University Training Program. He completed his surgical training in France (Marseille, Nice and Paris). For the French IRCAD institute, he has been the expert for Pediatric Surgery, Pediatric Urology and Robotic Courses since 1996. Among his professional and institutional positions, he is C.E.O. of ESPES (European Society of Pediatric Endoscopic Surgery) and Director of the Regional Reference Center for Pediatric Minimally Invasive Surgery and Pediatric Robotics. In addition, he was awarded honorary member of the French Academy of Surgery in Paris and Honorary President of the Romanian Association of Pediatric Laparoscopic Surgery. In 2022, he obtained the Laurea at Honoris Causa in Medicine and Surgery at the University of Athens, Greece. Professor Esposito actively participates in scientific research. He has published 451 papers in international journals, is editor of 13 books on Pediatric Surgery and Urology and has written 115 book chapters, altogether reaching an Impact Factor of 654 and a H-Index of 51.

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To register for them please visit <https://www.ipeg.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/IPEG-ESPES-2023-courses-.pdf>

■ Mastery Learning Advanced – Thorax (IPEG) | 08:00-14:00

LOCATION: Rooms Nettuno 2 and 3 (Floor C)

CHAIR: Fraser

COST: Members 1000 €, Non-Members 1100 €

The Mastery Learning Advanced Course is designed for practicing pediatric surgeons seeking exposure to and training in advanced minimally invasive skills needed to perform thoracoscopic lobectomy and thoracoscopic esophageal atresia and tracheoesophageal fistula repair.

■ Mastery Learning Advanced – Urology (IPEG) | 15:00-18:00

LOCATION: Room Nettuno 6 (Floor C)

CHAIR: Szavay

COST: Members 600 €, Non-members 700 €

This course is designed for pediatric surgeons and pediatric urologists seeking advanced minimally invasive skills for a complex reconstructive procedure as it is laparoscopic dismembered pyeloplasty in infants and children.

■ Mastery Learning Essentials – (IPEG/ESPES) | 08:00-12:00

LOCATION: Room Nettuno 1 (Floor C)

CHAIR: Lindeboom, Maricic

COST: Members 350 €, Non-members 450 €

The Mastery Learning Essentials Hands-On course provides a solid and essential basis for minimally invasive surgery skills to pediatric surgeons and urologists at all levels by teaching fundamental tools to move forward efficiently towards safe and quality MIS in pediatrics and neonates.

■ Masterclass Urology – Pediatric Vesicoureteral Reflux – (ESPES) | 08:00-13:30

LOCATION: Room Capri (Floor A)

CHAIR: Chiarenza, Escolino, Montupet

COST: Members 100 €, Non-members 150 €

This theoretical Masterclass provides an overview of the current clinical practice guidelines on diagnosis, surgical management, and follow-up of pediatric vesicoureteral reflux.

■ Robotic Masterclass and Asensus® Hands on Course – (ESPES) | Masterclass 08:00-13:30 Hands-on 14:00-18:00

LOCATION: Rooms Nettuno 4 and 5 (Floor C)

CHAIR: Esposito, Mendoza

COST: Members 100 €, Non-members 150 €

COST INCLUDING HANDS-ON: members 400 €, Non-members 500 €

The theoretical Masterclass provides an overview of pediatric robotic surgery and discuss the benefits, limitations, and strategies for successful implementation of robotics within pediatric surgical practice.

The hands-on course will provide the essential tools to start and further improve the robotic skills.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

JULY 6th

	AUDITORIUM	ULISSE	TRITONE
07:30 – 07:40	PROGRAM CHAIR WELCOME ESPOSITO, ZUNDEL		
07:40 – 08:40	SESSION 1 BEST GASTROINTESTINAL VIDEOS BARSNESS, MENDOZA LO	SESSION 2 – THORAX: DIAPHRAGMATIC HERNIA AND MORE SCUDERI, SLATER QS	SESSION 3 – UROLOGY: PYELOPLASTY, VARICOCECTOMY AND MORE LEUTNER, TOKAR QS
08:40 – 09:00	PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME DE AGUSTIN, SZAVAY		
09:00 – 10:00	SESSION 4 – ROBOTIC UROLOGY FOURCADE, JACOBS LO and SO	SESSION 5 – VIDEOS: GASTROINTESTINAL 1 GUELFAND, MUENSTERER VIDEO	SESSION 6 – THORAX: CPAM AND LOBE FRASER, LINDEBOOM LO and SO
10:00 – 10:30	SESSION 7 – IPEG SYBILL STORZ LECTURE BY S. ROTHENBERG SZAVAY LECTURE		
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK		
11:00 – 12:00	SESSION 8 – GASTROINTESTINAL 1 LACHER, RENTEA LO	SESSION 9 – ONCOLOGY: WILMS AND MISCELLANEOUS GUNNARSDOTTIR, PHILIPPE-CHOMETTE LO and SO	SESSION 10 – INNOVATION: EDUCATION AND MORE GUSEV, SHIROTA QS
12:00 – 13:00	SESSION 11 – PANEL: FETOSCOPY LOPEZ M, PELIZZO PANEL	SESSION 12 – COLORECTAL AMERSTORFER, DRAGHICI SO	SESSION 13 – HERNIA ASHOK, PEPPER QS
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH		
14:00 – 15:00	SESSION 14 – THORAX: PECTUS EXCAVATUM, PNEUMOTHORAX AND EMPYEMA PANDYA, TILL LO and SO	SESSION 15 – INNOVATION IN SIMULATION AND EDUCATION DE LUCA, MARICIC LO and SO	SESSION 16 VIDEOS: MISCELLANEOUS DOKUMCU, KSIA VIDEO
15:00 – 15:30	SESSION 17.1 – JPS LECTURE BY K. BARSNESS LECTURE	SESSION 18 APPENDIX AND GASTROINTESTINAL BABALA, CLIFTON SO	SESSION 19 – ONCOLOGY: INNOVATIONS; ADRENALECTOMY BLANC, IEIRI LO and SO
15:30 – 16:00	SESSION 17.2 – EUROPEAN LECTURE BY A. NAJMALDIN LECTURE		
16:00 – 16:15	COFFEE BREAK		
16:15 – 17:15	SESSION 20 – COOLEST TRICK ESCOLINO, LEYS SO	SESSION 21 – HEPATOBILIARY: CHOLECYSTOLITHIASIS FASCETTI LEON, MEEHAN LO and SO	SESSION 22 – ROBOTICS ALIZAI, RIDEOUT QS
17:15 – 18:00	IPEG GENERAL ASSEMBLY	ESPEs GENERAL ASSEMBLY	

	AUDITORIUM	ULISSE	TRITONE
08:00 – 09:00	SESSION 23 BARIATRICS AND PANCREAS ROMEO, WULKAN SO	SESSION 24 – BEST ONCOLOGY AND UROLOGY VIDEOS CHIARENZA, YAGMURLU LO	SESSION 25 – THORAX: CPAM, LUNG AND TEENAGERS CERULO, NOVOTNY QS
09:00 – 10:00	SESSION 26 UROLOGY: UPJO PATKOWSKI, PEREZ-BERTELEZ LO and SO	SESSION 27 VIDEOS: GASTROINTESTINAL 2 DI BENEDETTO, ELFIKY VIDEO	SESSION 28 INNOVATION IN THE OR LACHKAR, MILLAN QS
10:00 – 10:30	SESSION 29 – ESPES KEYNOTE LECTURE BY P. MONTUPET ESPOSITO, MENDOZA LECTURE		
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK		
11:00 – 12:00	SESSION 30 UROLOGY: REFLUX AND POM CASTAGNETTI, ZUNDEL LO and SO	SESSION 31 THORAX: TEF AND ESOPHAGUS BONNARD, OOMEN QS	SESSION 32 UPPER GI ALEMAYEHU, PAPPARELLA QS
12:00 – 13:00	SESSION 33 PANEL: ICG FLUORESCENCE GOLDSTEIN, RATHOD LO	SESSION 34 – THORAX: MISCELLANEOUS CHEN, LEVA LO and SO	SESSION 35 APPENDIX METZELDER, SYED QS
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH		
14:00 – 14:15	IPEG PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS PHILIPP SZAVAY		
14:15 – 15:45	SESSION 36 – HEPATOBILIARY: BILIARY ATRESIA AND CHOLEDOCHAL CYST PRINCE, SHEHATA LO and SO	SESSION 37 ROBOTIC VISCERAL SURGERY SAXENA, SCHOLZ LO and SO	SESSION 38 UROLOGY: STONES, TESTIS GEROCARNI-NAPPO, JHALA LO and SO
15:45 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK		
16:00 – 16:15	ESPES PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS JUAN C. DE AGUSTIN		
16:15 – 17:15	SESSION 39 SURGICAL INNOVATIONS DE COPPI, WALL LO	SESSION 40 – GASTROINTESTINAL 2 BALTOGIANNIS, KNOD SO	SESSION 41 UROLOGY: VUR, POM AND MORE PIO, ZAMFIR QS

	AUDITORIUM	ULISSE	TRITONE
09:00 – 10:30	SESSION 42 – THORAX: TEF AND CDH INSERRA, PEREZ LO and SO	SESSION 43 – VIDEO: URO-GYNECOLOGY BAILEZ, DEL CONTE VIDEO	SESSION 44 – GASTROINTESTINAL DUCI, FALCIONI QS
10:30 – 11:30	SESSION 45 – PANEL: ONCOLOGY GAMBA, ST. PETER PANEL	SESSION 46 THORAX AND MISCELLANEOUS CONFORTI, GFROERER QS	SESSION 47 – MISCELLANEOUS: SPLEEN, EDUCATION, ... NASHER, SABHARWAL QS
11:30 – 12:00	SESSION 48 – WORST NIGHTMARE HADDAD, SZAVAY LO	SESSION 49 – URO-GYNECOLOGY ABDUL, CASCIO QS	
12:00 – 13:00			
13:00 – 13:15	AWARDS PERGER, STEYAERT		
13:15 – 13:30	IPEG HANDOVER		
13:30 – 13:40	CLOSING REMARKS		

LO – Long oral presentation: 5 min presentation + 2 min discussion
SO – Short oral presentation: 3 min presentation + 1 min discussion
QS – Quickshot presentation: 2 min presentation + 1 min discussion

SOCIAL PROGRAM



■ Padel tournament

Compete with colleagues, friends, and guests in the IPEG&ESPES Padel Tournament.

DATE: July 6th – 8th

FEE: 10 € per person

REGISTRATION AT: ipegesperes.padel@gmail.com or on site

■ Friday Night Main Event

Celebrate and make new friends at the notorious main event.

DATE: July 7th

Dinner at Hilton Sorrento Palace Ristorante l'Alba | 21:00–23:30

IPEG & ESPES Party | 23:45–05:00

FEE: dinner is included in the registration for the meeting, all attendees will receive two drink vouchers for the party

REGISTRATION: not required for attendees, accompanying persons can be registered at ipeg.espes2023@gmail.com or on site

■ Saturday evening boat-trip to Capri and dinner

Enjoy the local sights with a dinner cruise to the island of Capri.

DATE: July 8th.

DEPARTURE FROM SORRENTO PORT: 19.00

RETURN TO SORRENTO PORT: 24.00

FEE: 100 € per person

REGISTRATION AT: ipeg.espes2023@gmail.com or on site.

Please register as early as possible as there are limited places available.

2023 FACULTY



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