

Scientific programme*

Thursday, 22nd January 2026

HO1 Advanced techniques in image-guided surgery: a hands-on workshop

Location: ICBAS - University of Porto

Course director: Hélder Ferreira (Portugal), Ludovica Baldari (Italy)

HO2 Bariatric hands-on course

Location: ICBAS - University of Porto

Course director: Paulo Soares (Portugal), Miloš Bjelovic (Serbia), Cătălin Copăescu (Romania)

Friday, 23rd January 2026

Location: Centro de Congressos da Alfândega do Porto

08.15 - 08.30 Welcome and introduction by Hans Fuchs (Germany), Nicole Bouvy (The Netherlands), Hélder Ferreira, Jaime Vilaça and Eurico Castro Alves (Portugal)

08:30 - 10:00 Session 1: Technologies for improving OR safety

Chairs: Hans Fuchs (Germany), George Mylonas (UK), Guilherme Tralhão (Portugal)

Speakers: Pietro Mascagni (Italy), Hans Fuchs (Germany), Michele Diana (Switzerland), Martin Wagner (Germany), Luigi Manfredi (UK), Gadi Marom (Israel)

10:30 - 12:30 Session 2: Telementoring to improve patient safety and improve patient outcomes - live demonstrations

Moderators: Hugo Pinto Marques (Portugal), Christiane Bruns (Germany), Luigi Boni (Italy)

Speakers: Silvana Perretta (France), Felix Nickel (Germany), Hélder Ferreira (Portugal), Youness Ahallal (France)

14:00 - 15:30 Session 3: New Tools and Technologies

Chairs: Ivone Silva (Portugal), Benjamin Babic (Germany), Tim Horeman (The Netherlands)

Speakers: Rosa Jiménez-Rodríguez (Spain), Amilcar Alzaga (Germany), Luís Lopes (Portugal), Andrew Gumbs (France), Kiyokazu Nakajim (Japan)

16:00 - 17:30 Session 4: Endometriosis as a multidisciplinary treatment challenge

Chairs: Fátima Faustino (Portugal), Jorge Correia-Pinto (Portugal), Manish Chand (UK)

Speakers: Hélder Ferreira (Portugal), Jaime Vilaça (Portugal), José Reis (Portugal), Juan Gilabert (Spain), Pedro Gouveia (Portugal)

Saturday, 24th January 2026

HO3 Remote access to the neck - hands-on course on human cadavers and porcine models

Location: University of Minho in Braga

Course director: Jaime Vilaça (Portugal)

HO4 Wall surgery - hands-on course on human cadavers and porcine models

Location: University of Minho in Braga

Course director: Ferdinando Agresta (Italy), Fernando Ferreira (Portugal)

Full programme

