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PRE-CONGRESS COURSES

12-13 October 2026

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CONGRESS

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WELCOME MESSAGE PRESENTATION

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Welcome to the 12th Mediterranean Endo-Gynecological Surgery Congress 2026, a premier event that brings together leading experts, researchers, and practitioners from around the globe. We are thrilled to welcome you to Catania (Italy), where we will explore the latest advancements, share groundbreaking research, and engage in meaningful discussions about the future of gynecological health. This congress is a unique opportunity for us to collaborate, innovate, and inspire each other as we address our field's most pressing challenges and opportunities. Over the next few days, you will have the chance to attend a wide range of sessions, including pre-congress courses, live surgical sessions, keynote lectures, and sponsor exhibitions led by some of the foremost thought leaders in gynecology.

The Congress offers an intensive scientific program, which includes:

Pre-Congress Courses

- Anatomical landmarks and decision-making on complex benign surgery
- Vulvodynia: critical issue and therapeutic perspectives
- Master Class Suturing Program
- Imaging in Endometriosis and Gynecologic Oncology
- Hysteroscopy Course

Live Surgical Sessions

- Hysteroscopy
- Endometriosis
- Gynecologic Oncology

Scientific Sessions

- Hysteroscopy Day: Emerging Technologies and Expanding Clinical Frontier
- Urogynecology: precision surgery and functional outcomes - *Video Surgical Challenge*
- Endometriosis Day
- Gynecologic oncology day

Keynote Lecture

- HPV Vaccine Update: efficacy and potential population impact
- Anatomical Variations in the Endometriosis: is it possible a standardization of retroperitoneal anatomy dissections?
- New frontiers in uterus transplantation

Symposium

- Beyond myomectomy: the role of transvaginal radiofrequency ablation in fibroid treatment
- Fertility-sparing and clinical management of benign uterine disorders. What's New?
- Before hysterectomy: restoring women's quality of life
- Electrosurgery evolution in gynecology: innovation and future of technology
- Endometriosis and fertility
- The surgical training: present and future perspectives
- Robotic surgery: precision, personalization and innovations

This year's theme, minimally invasive surgery, reflects our commitment to advancing women's health through cutting-edge science, compassionate care, and interdisciplinary collaboration. We encourage you to take full advantage of the networking opportunities, educational sessions, and hands-on experiences designed to enrich your knowledge and practice.

This year, eminent gynecological oncological surgeons and experts in radical surgery of endometriosis and hysteroscopy will participate. This Congress represents a great starting point, assuming an important role in returning to training, education, and the continuous updating of future gynecological surgery. Finally, we extend our heartfelt thanks to our sponsors, partners, and the organising committee for their invaluable contributions to making this congress a success. Your dedication and support foster a vibrant and dynamic community of gynecological professionals. A special thanks to Armando Romeo for his huge support in the organisation of the scientific program.

I am sure that Catania, through its history, weather, scents, lights and flavours, will be able to guarantee to all the participants an amazing hospitality.

I am looking forward to welcoming you to Catania.

Giuseppe Ettore



12th MEDITERRANEAN ENDO-GYNECOLOGICAL SURGERY CONGRESS

Innovation in MIS:

oncology, urogynecology, endometriosis, and fertility care

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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

PRE-CONGRESS TRAINING COURSES ARNAS - GARIBALDI NESIMA HOSPITAL CATANIA

October 12th, 2026 – Monday

A - Vulvodynia: critical issue and therapeutic perspectives

Chairs: G. Ettore, F. Murina

40 participants

October 13th, 2026 – Tuesday

B - Anatomical landmark and decision making on complex benign surgery

Chairs: W. Kondo, M. Zomer, F. Osorio, C. Trippia, M. D'Asta, F. Cannone

6 participants

Active participation in operating room

C - Masterclass Suturing Program

Romeo's gladiator rule technique course performing safe knots and final test with dynamometer

Chair: A. Romeo

10 participants

Multidisciplinary suturing course (general surgery, gynecologist, urologist)

D - Imaging in Endometriosis and Gynecologic Oncology

Chairs: G. Ettore, M.C. Blanco, S. Guerriero

40 participants

Interactive course with live and pre-recorded demonstration

E - Hysteroscopy Course

Chair: C. Ettore, E. Russo, A. Siscaro

20 participants

Instruments, indications, contraindications, complications and treatment of the main intrauterine disorders

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October 14th, 2026 – Wednesday

Pegasus Room 3

HYSTEROSCOPY DAY: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES AND EXPANDING CLINICAL FRONTIERS

08.00 - 08.30	Open Session
08.30 - 11.30	Live Surgical Session
11.00 - 11.50	Symposium Lina
11.50 - 13.30	Symposium Management of Benign Uterine Disorders
13.00 - 14.00	Open Lunch
13.30 - 14.50	Symposium Hologic
15.00 - 17.40	Scientific Session
18.00 - 18.30	Keynote Lecture

Pegasus Room 2

UROGYNECOLOGY: PRECISION SURGERY AND FUNCTIONAL OUTCOMES

14.30 - 16.40	Scientific Session I
16.50 - 19.00	Scientific Session II

October 15th, 2026 – Thursday

Pegasus Room 2 - 3

ENDOMETRIOSIS DAY

08.00 - 08.30	Open Session
08.30 - 13.00	Live Surgical Session
10.30 - 11.00	Keynote Lecture
11.00 - 12.00	Symposium Erbe
12.00 - 13.40	Symposium Endometriosis and Fertility
12.30 - 13.30	Open Lunch
13.50 - 14.30	Keynote Lecture
14.30 - 16.30	Scientific Session I
16.30 - 18.00	Scientific Session II
18.30 - 20.30	Opening Ceremony

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

October 16th, 2026 – Friday

Pegasus Room 2 - 3

GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY DAY

08.00 - 08.30	Open Session
08.30 - 13.00	Live Surgical Session
11.00 - 12.20	Symposium Surgical Training
12.30 - 13.30	Open Lunch
12.30 - 14.20	Symposium Robotic Surgery
14.30 - 16.20	Scientific Session I
16.30 - 18.30	Scientific Session II
18.30 - 19.00	Closing Ceremony

October 17th, 2026 – Saturday

Pegasus Room 2-3

Assessorato Regionale della Salute

R.E.S. Rete Endometriosi Sicilia

09.00 - 13.00

Riunione Regionale dei Centri di I, II, III livello della Rete Endometriosi Sicilia

PDTA - Registro Regionale - Formazione - Osservatorio

Gynecological Auditorium Garibaldi Nesima Hospital - Tower A

A

Vulvodynia: challenges and updates

Interactive course with live and pre-recorded demonstration

40 participants

14.00

Registration open**Welcome and Introduction***G. Ettore, F. Murina***SESSION I****Chairs:** *F. Murina, C. Stigliano***Discussants:** *M. Caruso, C. Ferrara, N. Pace*

14.10

Vulvar pathophysiological changes across the different stages of a woman's life

F. Murina

14.30

Diagnostic approach in vulvar pathology

D. Recalcati

14.50

Vulvodynia: pathophysiology and etiopathogenetic mechanisms

G. De Francesco

15.10

Discussion

SESSION II**Chairs:** *M.T. Bruno, M. G. Castiglione, E. Lomeo***Discussants:** *M.G. Campo, M. Ferrara, E. Sampugnaro*

16.00

Vulvodynia: topical and systemic pharmacological therapy

F. Murina

16.20

Vulvodynia: regenerative therapy

I. Fonti

16.40

Vulvodynia: physical and rehabilitative therapy

F. Giordano

17.00

Discussion

17.30

Closing remarks

Surgery Training Center – Gynecological Operating Room, Garibaldi Hospital

B | Anatomical landmark and decision making on complex benign surgery

Chairs: W. Kondo, M. Zomer, F. Osorio, C. Trippia, M. D'Asta, F. Cannone

Faculty: N. Cinardi, N. La Ferrera, B. Pecorino, E. Russo, V. Vinci

Active participation in operating room

6 participants

The aim of our course is to improve knowledge and skills in laparoscopy applied to gynaecological benign diseases and Endometriosis and will enable you to make a big step forwards in your laparoscopic training.

Learning objectives are:

- Acquire basic and advanced coordination and perception in surgical procedures
- Excisional techniques and endometriosis management
- Better understand how to avoid and manage complications

The participant will have the opportunity to scrub during several surgical procedures in our operating rooms with the faculty surgeons.

PROGRAMME

08.00	Registration
08.15	Welcome, introductions and Course overview
08.30	Surgery in the operating rooms
10.30	Coffee Break
11.00	Surgery in the operating rooms
14.00	Light Lunch
15.00	Didactic session with focus on

Learning objectives are:

- Principles of pelvic anatomy
- Know the energy in laparoscopic surgery
- Tips and tricks of endometriosis excisional techniques
- How to avoid and manage surgical complications

Surgery Training Center Garibaldi Hospital

C | Master Class Suturing Course

Pre Congress “full immersion” 1 day suturing course

What's the best surgeon knots? Romeo's gladiator rule:

Master in Knot-tying and Loading of the needle

Multidisciplinary suturing course (general surgery, gynecologist, urologist)

10 participants

Chair: A. Romeo

Faculty: A. Bilhar, K. Lustosa, C. Rubino, E. Russo

Course Description

Suturing is a turning point towards Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery. Combination of the correct stitch and knot tying can be responsible for the success of a complex surgery. Appropriate rules make difficult things easy. The Romeo's Gladiator Rule put suturing at the hands of all laparoscopists. The knowledge acquired by Romeo's Gladiator School explain which knots are safe and unsafe or dangerous and how to perform them. This course provides a broad comprehension about the art of laparoscopic suturing, mixing theory and practice.

Course Objectives

At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

- 1) identify safe, unsafe and dangerous knots;
- 2) perform bimanual knot tying following the Romeo's Gladiator Rule;
- 3) Loading the needle and stitching with both hands and supra pubic route;
- 4) From 4/0 to 1 size: does it exist one safe combination/knot for all types of sutures and relative sizes?

PROGRAMME

08.00	Registration
08.15	Welcome, introductions and Course overview
08.30	Safe, Unsafe and Dangerous knots in laparoscopy Romeo's Gladiator Rule: The universal knot tying technique The Theory of the perfect stitch
10.30	Coffee Break
11.00	HANDS-ON - LAB
14.00	Light Lunch
15.00	LAB: Romeo's Gladiator Knot Tying Technique with right hand dominant in supra pubic port and the assistant in left hand port LAB: Knot Tying with left dominant hand and right assistant hand in supra pubic trocar
17.00	Certificate

Gynecological Auditorium Garibaldi Nesima Hospital - Tower A

D | Imaging in Endometriosis and Gynecologic Oncology

Interactive course with live and pre-recorded demonstration

40 participants

08.00 **Registration**

08.30 **Welcome and Introduction**

G. Ettore, M.C. Blanco, S. Guerriero

SESSION I

DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF ADNEXAL MASSES

Chairs: *F. Bonaffini, G. Cavallo, A. Tarascio*

Discussants: *G. Bartoloni, E. Pappalardo, L. Salvia*

09.00 Borderline tumors: pattern recognition at ultrasound

I. De Blasis

09.15 Epithelial ovarian tumors: can we recognize the different histotypes at US?

D. Franchi

09.30 Rare ovarian tumors: pattern recognition and biomarkers

F. Mascilini

09.45 Metastatic tumors: how ultrasound can help to guide management

V. Chiappa

10.00 Discussion

10.30 Coffee break

SESSION II

ENDOMETRIOSIS & TUBAL PATHOLOGY

Chairs: *S. Incandela, A. Mercurio, A. Vallone***Discussants:** *D. Catarella, S. Di Leo, A. Pediliggieri*

- 11.00 Atypical endometriosis: tips & tricks for differential diagnosis
C. Trippia
- 11.15 The lateral parametrium: a new territory for ultrasound exploration
M. Rolla
- 11.30 The Enzian Classification: how to stage endometriosis
C. Zorzi
- 11.45 Beyond ultrasound: what can the radiologist add to endometriosis staging?
K. Menni
- 12.00 Inflammatory tubal pathology
D. Sturla
- 12.15 Tubal cancer
D. Franchi
- 12.30 Discussion
- 13.00 *Live scans and pre-recorded clinical cases*
- 13.30 Lunch

SESSION III

MYOMETRIAL PATHOLOGY

Chairs: *L. Giambanco, R. Granese, V. Vinci***Discussants:** *E. Giurato, A. Molino, C. Rubino*

- 14.30 Adenomyosis: how to use MUSA terminology in clinical practice
S. Guerriero
- 14.45 Myometrial pathology: can we distinguish benign from malignant tumors?
V. Chiappa
- 15.00 Myometrial pathology: the radiologist's perspective
A. Vallone
- 15.15 Discussion
- 15.35 *Live scans and pre-recorded clinical cases*

SESSION IV

ENDOMETRIAL PATHOLOGY

Chairs: *M.C. Blanco, G. Canzone, B. Pecorino***Discussants:** *F. Forlani, M. Li Destri, F. Rapisarda*

- 16.00 IETA terminology: describing endometrial pathology with a common language
E. Casella
- 16.15 Benign endometrial pathology: when to reassure and when to investigate further
F. Fascilla
- 16.30 Ultrasound meets hysteroscopy: type and tricks for diagnosis and management
C. Ettore
- 16.45 Ultrasound diagnosis and staging of endometrial malignancy
M. Ludovisi
- 17.00 Discussion
- 17.30 *Live scans and pre-recorded clinical cases*
- 18.00 **Closing remarks**

Endocrinological Auditorium Garibaldi Nesima Hospital - Tower C

E | Hysteroscopy Course

Chairs: C. Ettore, E. Russo, A. Siscaro

Instruments, indications, contraindications, complications and treatment of the main intrauterine disorders

20 participants

In the Hysteroscopy session, thanks to the presence of the pioneers of this discipline, the hysteroscopic world will be traversed from its origins to the present day, through the most advanced, miniaturised and state-of-the-art techniques.

In particular, with the pre-congress course first, and in the conference and related live surgery afterwards, an attempt will be made to derive good procedures for a suitable hysteroscopic examination in the light of endouterine pathology that is different each time. Of fundamental importance is the connection between ultrasound and hysteroscopy, also intraoperatively.

Topics related to diagnosis and therapeutic choice, whether medical or surgical, in relation to the woman's history will be covered.

PROGRAMME

08.00 **Registration open**

08.30 **Welcome and Introduction**

C. Ettore, E. Russo, A. Siscaro

SESSION I

Chairs: S. Giammona, V. Palmara, A. Siscaro

Discussants: M.G. Arena, R. Ferraro

09.00 Ultrasound diagnostic work-up for endometrial pathologies

F. Fascilla

09.20 Office hysteroscopy: from diagnosis to treatment

A. Favilli

09.40 Hysteroscopy and myomas: from diagnosis to the therapeutic decision

S. G. Vitale

10.00 Cervical Pathology: What is Hysteroscopy Used For?

G. Gubbini

10.20 Discussion

10.40 Coffee break

SESSION II

Chairs: A. D'Alessandro, A. Favilli, F. Rapisarda**Discussant:** F. Sieni Miceli, A. Sipione

- 11.00 Medical therapies before hysteroscopic surgery
E. Russo
- 11.20 Abnormal uterine bleeding: new therapeutic strategies
N. La Ferrera
- 11.40 RPOC (retained products of conception)
C. Ettore
- 12.00 Uterine dysmorphisms: ultrasound diagnosis and hysteroscopic premanagement
B. Zizolfi
- 12.20 Informed consent and adequate reporting of the hysteroscopic examination, how to avoid and manage surgical complications
G. Bonanno, G.G. Incognito, M. La Greca
- 12.40 Discussion
- 13.00 Lunch

SESSION III

TIPS AND TRICKS OF HYSTEROSCOPIC TECHNIQUES

Tutors: C. Ettore, A. Favilli, G. Gubbini, N. La Ferrera, E. Russo, A. Siscaro

- 14.00 WET & DRY LAB
- 17.00 Live Surgery Clinical Case
G.G. Incognito, N. La Ferrera
- 17.30 Closing

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Pegasus Room 3

**HYSTEROSCOPY DAY: EMERGENCY TECHNOLOGIES AND EXPANDING CLINICAL FRONTIERS**08.00
08.30**Open Session****Live Surgical Session****Chairs:** *G. Bigatti, S. Caudullo, A. Favilli, L. Nappi***Provokers:** *M. Farina, F. Gulino, P. Turtulici, S. G. Vitale***Surgeons:** *S. Bettocchi, A. Di Spiezio Sardo, C. Ettore, G. Gubbini, M. Wilczak, N. La Ferrera, E. Russo, A. Siscaro***SYMPOSIUM - LINA****Beyond myomectomy: the role of transvaginal radiofrequency ablation in fibroid treatment****Chairs:** *C. Crescini, M.C. De Angelis***Discussant:** *A. Mercurio, S.G. Vitale*11.00 Surgical technique and clinical experience
*F. Cannone***SYMPOSIUM****Fertility-sparing and clinical management of benign uterine disorders. What's New?****Chairs:** *S. Angioni, L. Muzii, S. Schettini*11.50 The importance the estrogen threshold in the medical treatment of benign uterine diseases and the role of GnRH antagonist +/- ABT
*M. Vignali*12.10 How to cope the "fertility sparing unmet nees with medical treatment of uterine fibroids and its clinical applications
*A. Di Spiezio Sardo*12.30 New Trends in long term medical treatment for endometriosis and adenomyosis: our clinical experience
A. Maiorana

12.50 Discussion

13.30 SYMPOSIUM - HOLOGIC**Before hysterectomy: restoring women's quality of life****Chairs:** *G. Canzone, C. Ettore, M.R. Falco Abramo***Discussants:** *F. Gulino, D. Incandela*

- 13.30 Quality of life, women's expectations, and new therapeutic targets in the management of metrorrhagia
G. Sorrenti
- 13.45 The role of endometrial ablation in reducing the use of more invasive treatments or those with significant side effects
C. Ettore
- 14.00 The most complex patients: oncology, genetics, and quality of life
K.L. Andersson

14.15 Discussion

Chair: *G. Cavallo*

- 14.30 Update on iron supplementation in gynecological surgery
C. Rubino

SCIENTIFIC SESSION**Chairs:** *E. Lomeo, A.S. Laganà, M. Palumbo, B. Zizolfi***Discussants:** *A. Di Stefano, D. Incandela, R. Zarbo*

- 15.00 Hysteroscopy and endometrial cancer: from precancerous lesions to "fertility sparing"
U. Catena
- 15.20 Tissues removal devices: strengths and limitations
G. Bigatti
- 15.40 Hysteroscopic PRP administration: when and how?
A. Di Spiezio Sardo
- 16.00 Pushing the limits of the miniresectoscope
S. Bettocchi
- 16.20 Office hysteroscopy: aid of paracervical anaesthesia. Procedure and indications
M. Wilczak
- 16.40 Laser technology in Hysteroscopy: state of the art and future developments
L. Nappi
- 17.00 Management of myomas FIGO 0-2
P. Casadio
- 17.20 Discussion

KEYNOTE LECTURE**Chairs:** *B. Cacopardo, A. Rapisarda*

- 18.00 **HPV Vaccine Update: Efficacy and Potential Population Impact**
G. Giorgianni
- 18.30 Closing

Pegasus Room 2**UROGYNECOLOGY: PRECISION SURGERY
AND FUNCTIONAL OUTCOMES***(video surgical challenge)***SESSION I**

- 14.30 Open Session
G. Ettore
- 14.40 From anatomy to function: redefining success in urogynecology:
anatomical vs functional outcomes
M. Serati

Surgical suspension techniques in pelvic organ prolapse***Vaginal route*****Chairs:** *L. Alio, F. Signore, M. Torella***Discussants:** *A. Cannizzaro, V. Mascellino, A. Iuliano, O. Notaro*

- 15.00 Imaging in Pelvic Floor Disorders: 3D ultrasound
G. Torrisi
- 15.20 TVR - Tricompartmental Vaginal Repair
G. Ettore
- 15.40 Native tissue repair of POP and sacrospinous ligament fixation
A. D'Afiero
- 16.00 The Green hysterectomy, hysterectomy of tomorrow
H. Clavè
- 16.20 Discussion



SESSION II

*Endoscopic route***Chairs:** *S. Arena, L. Mereu, G. Panico***Discussants:** *F. Ciancio, M.R. Falco Abramo, M.G. Matarazzo, B. Pinzello*

- 16.50 Pelvic floor anatomy defects and solutions: promontosacrofixation
A. Bilhar
- 17.10 The vNOTES technique in prolapse surgery
V. Bergamini
- 17.30 The robot for the treatment of complex and recurrent prolapse
T. Simoncini, M. Caretto
- 17.50 Complications and recurrences: the real challenges of pelvic floor surgery
G. Campagna
- 18.10 Discussion
- 19.00 Closing

Pegasus Room 2-3

**ENDOMETRIOSIS DAY**

08.00

Open Session

08.30

Live Surgical Session**Chairs:** *S. Cianci, J. Gilabert, F. Osorio, A. Ussia***Provokers:** *A. Bucolo, C. Cicerone, A. Maiorana, M. Rolla***Surgeons:** *V. Chiantera, M. D'Asta, W. Kondo, M. Malzoni, A. Wattiez,
E. Milnerowicz**KEYNOTE LECTURE**

10.30

Anatomical Variations in the Endometriosis: is it possible a standardization of retroperitoneal anatomy dissections?*M. Mabrouk***Introduces:** *J. Gilabert***SYMPOSIUM - ERBE****Electrosurgery evolution in gynecology: innovation and future of technology****Chairs:** *A. Romeo, A. Tarascio***Discussants:** *A. Di Stefano, S. Giammona*

11.00

From technical fundamentals to the electrosurgical innovations transforming surgical practice
L. Fioravanti

11.10

APC treatment of ovarian endometriosis
S. Ferrari

11.25

Gynecological surgery technique with Tripolar energy device
F. Romano

11.40

Discussion

* (Opole Poland)

SYMPOSIUM

Endometriosis and Fertility

Chairs: A. Allegra, A. S. Laganà, S. Palomba**Discussants:** E. Falcidia, G. Gullo, G. Ruvolo, M. Somma, M.E. Vento

- 12.00 The Impact of Endometriosis on IVF Outcomes: What the Evidence Tells Us
P. Viganò
- 12.20 Endometriosis and ART outcomes: the mismatch between theory and practice
Y. Khalaf
- 12.40 Oocyte freezing and Fertility preservation in Endometriosis: What Every Specialist Should Know
A. Guglielmino
- 13.00 Pregnancy after PMA: induction of labor with prostaglandins
M.C. Blanco
- 13.20 Discussion

KEYNOTE LECTURE

- 13.50 **New frontiers in uterus transplantation**
P. Scollo, P. Veroux

SESSION I

STATE OF ART IN ENDOMETRIOSIS

Chairs: V. Chiantera, S. Cianci, A. Mattei, A. Ussia**Discussants:** F. Gulino, A. Maiorana, M. Rolla

- 14.30 Neuroinflammation in gynecology
A. Peritore
- 14.50 AI and Role of imaging in surgical planning
A. Di Giovanni
- 15.10 Referral pathways and patient selection
P. Koninckx

- 15.30 Nerve-Sparing strategy selection: when to preserve, when to resect
N. Lemos
- 15.50 Intraoperative nerve monitoring and AI, how much safer do these technologies make our surgeries?
B. Rabischong
- 16.10 Discussion



SESSION II

MULTIDISCIPLINARY PANEL IN ENDOMETRIOSIS

Chairs: *J. Gilabert, M. Guido, N. Lemos*

Discussants: *M. Falsaperla, L. Piazza, G. Sozzi*

- 16.30 Radical Surgery in Bowel Endometriosis: criteria for surgical Decision-Making
M. Malzoni
- 16.50 Complex Endometriosis of the Urinary Tract: Strategies for Bladder and Ureteral Involvement
W. Kondo
- 17.10 Quality of life and long-term disease management
R. Seracchioli
- 17.30 Discussion

18.00 OPENING CEREMONY

G. Ettore, A. Romeo, A. Wattiez, G. Giammanco, A. Mattei

• **“The Gender Switch: Women changing Women’s Health”**

• **Commento musicale - Omaggio alle donne del Quintetto d’Archi diretto dal Maestro Fabio Raciti**

- 20.30 **Welcome Dinner**

Pegasus Room 2-3

**GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY DAY**08.00
08.30**Open Session****Live Surgical Session****Chairs:** *G. Bifulco, A. Ercoli, K. Lustosa, E. Milnerowicz, G. Vizzielli***Provokers:** *A. Abbate, F. Ciancio, V. Iannone, G. Trojano***Surgeons:** *F. Cannone, F. Fanfani, J. Gilabert, S. Gueli Alletti
P. Scollo, F. Guardalà (Cannizzaro Hospital Catania)
G. Sozzi (Cefalù Giglio Hospital)***SYMPOSIUM****The surgical training: present and future perspectives****Chairs:** *V. Cela, M. Malzoni, A. Romeo***Discussants:** *S. Cianci, S.G. Vitale*

- 11.00 Artificial intelligence: a promising "bridge" between imaging and surgery
A. Mattei
- 11.20 How the Master focus on the Training of new Surgeons Generations
A. Wattiez
- 11.40 GESEA Educational Programme
H. Ferreira
- 12.00 The knowledge acquired by Romeo's Gladiator School
A. Romeo
- 12.20 Discussion

SYMPOSIUM

Robotic Surgery: Precision, Personalization and Innovations

Chairs: *G. Bifulco, V. Cela, A. Ercoli, L. Mereu*

12.30 What's the near future of robotic surgery

B. Rocco

Introduces: *M. Falsaperla*

Robotic Surgery in Gynecology: Are We Moving Beyond Conventional Laparoscopy?

12.50 Endometriosis and Benign Pathologies

M. Mabrouk

13.10 **Panel Experts:** *M. D'Asta, G. Gaia, K. Lustosa, F. Osorio*

13.30 Gynecology Oncology

E. Vizza

13.50 **Panel Experts:** *S. Arena, F. Cannone, F. Fanfani, J. Gilabert*

14.10 Discussion

SESSION I

STATE OF THE ART IN GYNECOLOGY ONCOLOGY

Chairs: *R. Bordonaro, G. Scibilia, V. Trojano*

Discussants: *S. Bianca, F. Fraggetta, S. Paratore, G. Scandurra*

14.30 Molecular classification of endometrial cancer and clinical implementation

U. Malapelle

14.50 Limitations of FIGO 2023 classification in endometrial cancer: The Pathologist's vision

G. Zannoni

15.10 ESGO quality indicators and centralization models

A. Fagotti

15.30 Integration of targeted and immunotherapies

D. Lorusso

15.50 Discussion

 SESSION II**DEBATE SESSION - CONTROVERSIES****Chairs:** *F. Cannone, S. Gueli Alletti, G. Trojano***Discussants:** *G. Blanco, S. Cordio, D. Sambataro*

- 16.30 HIPEC in ovarian cancer: evidence, selection criteria, and outcomes
G. Vizzielli
- 16.50 Advanced Ovarian Cancer: Primary Debulking versus Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy
F. Cosentino
- 17.10 Cervical Cancer and Fertility-Sparing Options: Which Minimally Invasive Approach?
F. Fanfani
- 17.30 Fertility-sparing surgery: oncologic safety versus reproductive benefit
G. Corrado
- 17.50 Hormonal and non-hormonal therapies for the management of vulvovaginal
atrophy after gynaecological tumors
L. Sgrò
- 18.10 Discussion
- 18.30 **Closing of the 12th Mediterranean Endo-Gynecological Surgery Congress**

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R.E.S. RETE ENDOMETRIOSI SICILIA

09.00

Presentazione

G. Ettore, A. Maiorana, B. Pecorino

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Dott. Luigi Scalzo - Dirigente Generale DASOE Assessorato della salute Regione Siciliana

Dott.ssa Tatiana Agelao - Dirigente Generale Assessorato della salute Regione Siciliana

09.30

Endometriosi: evidenze scientifiche e diseguaglianze regionali

Presentazione Report GIMBE

N. Cartabellotta

09.50

La Rete Endometriosi Sicilia

A. M. Abbate, G. Ettore, A. Maiorana, B. Pecorino, L. Giambanco, C. Catalano

- II PDTA

- I Centri di I-II-III livello della R.E.S

- Presentazione Piattaforma del Registro Regionale

M. Giacalone

11.30

Tavola Rotonda

Confronto dei Centri della R.E.S.

Moderatori: *A.M. Abbate, G. Ettore, A. Maiorana, B. Pecorino*

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13.00

Conclusioni

Dott. Marcello Caruso - Assessore della Salute Regione Siciliana

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DATES

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October 12-13, 2026

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CONGRESS:

October 14 –16, 2026

VENUE:

Four Points by Sheraton Catania

Hotel & Conference Center

Via Antonello da Messina 45 – Catania

CONGRESS LANGUAGE

The official languages of the Congress will be Italian and English.

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PRE-CONGRESS COURSE A - B - C - D - E, OCTOBER 12-13, 2026

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Physician

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- Refreshments
- Certificate of attendance
- Congress kit
- CME credits in compliance with CME regulations

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For hotel information, please contact: c.segatto@idea-group.it.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE

Application of the principles and procedures of evidence-based practice (EBM - EBN - EBP) in daily practice.

DISCIPLINES FOR PHYSICIANS/SURGEONS:

Endocrinology; Medical Genetics; Oncology; Radiotherapy / Radiation Oncology; General Surgery; Gynecology and Obstetrics; Urology; Anatomical Pathology; Anaesthesia and Intensive Care; Clinical Biochemistry; Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology; Medical Genetics Laboratory; Microbiology and Virology; Clinical Pathology (Laboratory of Chemical-Clinical Analysis and Microbiology); Diagnostic Radiology; General Medicine (General Practitioners / Family Medicine).

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- Event quality evaluation questionnaire

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE

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