

LAPAROSCOPIC GENERAL SURGERY

PROGRAMME

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DATE
SEPTEMBER 21 - 25

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Laparoscopic General Surgery Intensive Course

Monday, September 21 – 2026

MORNING

08.45 Registration

09.00 Welcome to participants

J. Marescaux

THEORETICAL SESSION

Chairman : *A. d'Urso*

EQUIPMENT

- 09.10 – 10.10
- Operating theatre / choice of equipment / the laparoscopy unit
 - Conventional laparoscopic instrumentation and micro-instruments
 - Electrosurgery and ultrasonic dissections
 - An integrated concept: “intelligent” OP room

M. Vix

10.15 – 10.45 **BREAK** – Registration for University Diploma at reception desk

BASIC PRINCIPLES

- 10.45 – 12.00
- Conventional access
 - Positioning of trocars:
 - transperitoneal access
 - retroperitoneal access
 - Knots
 - Operating room organization

A. Forgione

LAPAROSCOPY FOR ABDOMINAL EMERGENCIES

- 12.00 – 13.15
- Laparoscopy in peritonitis
 - Appendicitis
 - Gastric perforation
 - Diverticulitis: radical and conservative management

B. Navez

13.15 - 14.00 LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE

AFTERNOON

14.00 Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done *A. Forgione*

EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY

Hands on session on Live Tissue

14.15 - 18.45

All faculty

Objectives: Basic principles and techniques

- ❖ Accesses, insufflation, positioning of trocars,
- ❖ Exposure - dissection - stitching, tissue approximation, knot tying and stapling

Training procedures

- Small bowel resection and anastomoses
- Gastrojejunostomy
- Cholecystectomy

18.45 **END OF SESSION**
Free Evening

Laparoscopic General Surgery Intensive Course

Tuesday, September 22 – 2026

MORNING

07.50 Evaluation of the previous day

LAPAROSCOPIC HERNIA REPAIR

Chairmen: A. d'Urso – A. Forgione

08.00 – 08.30 **INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR**

A. Forgione

Rationale of the laparoscopic approach and surgical techniques: TAPP vs TEP

LIVE OR PRE-RECORDED OPERATIVE DEMONSTRATIONS from Europe

INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR

08.30 – 09.15

• **TEP**

A. Tudor

09.15 – 10.00

• **TAPP**

U. Bracale

10.00 – 10.30 **BREAK** – Registration for University Diploma at reception desk

DIDACTIC SESSION

10.30 – 11.00

LAPAROSCOPIC INCISIONAL HERNIA REPAIR

A. d'Urso

- Minimally invasive innovative approach to ventral hernia repair: state-of-the-art

DIDACTIC SESSION & PRE-RECORDED OPERATIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

LAPAROSCOPIC BILIARY SURGERY

11.10 – 12.30

CHOLECYSTECTOMY

B. Navez

- Basic principles of laparoscopic cholecystectomy
- How to deal with CBD stones
- How to prevent bile duct injuries
- Tips and tricks for acute cholecystitis

IMAGE-GUIDED SURGERY

12.30 – 12.45

SURGICAL LAPAROSCOPIC ULTRASOUND FOR GENERAL SURGEONS

M. Gimenez
(videoconference)

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AFTERNOON

14.00 Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done *A. Forgione*

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Training procedures

- TAPP Inguinal hernia repair
- Stapled gastrojejunostomy
- Dissection of the common bile duct: T-tube
- Roux-en-Y choledocojejunostomy
- Splenectomy

18.45

END OF SESSION
Free Evening

Laparoscopic General Surgery Intensive Course

Wednesday, September 23 - 2026

MORNING

07.50 Evaluation of the previous day

LIVE SURGERY

LIVE & PRERECORDED OPERATIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

*Chairmen:
A. Forgione-M. Gualtierotti*

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| 08.00 | • Sleeve gastrectomy | <i>M. Vix</i> |
| 08.30 | • Giant hiatal hernia | <i>R. Rosati</i> |
| | • Sigmoid resection for complicated diverticulitis | <i>F. Corcione</i> |
| | • Partial splenectomy for post traumatic hematoma | <i>F. Corcione</i> |
| | • Gastric Bypass | <i>M. Vix</i> |

13.15 - 14.00 LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE

AFTERNOON

14.00 Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done *A. Forgione*

EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY

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14.15 - 18.45

All faculty

Training procedures

- Ileo-caecal dissection and anastomoses
- Fundoplication
- Splenectomy
- Roux-en-Y gastric bypass

18.45 END OF SESSION

20.00 DINNER IN HONOR OF THE PARTICIPANTS
Brasserie LES HARAS, 23 rue des Glacières - Strasbourg

Laparoscopic General Surgery Intensive Course

Thursday, September 24 – 2026

MORNING

07.50 Evaluation of the previous day

DIDACTIC SESSION

Chairmen: A. Forgione – M. Gualtierotti

ESOPHAGO-GASTRIC SURGERY

A. Forgione – M. Gualtierotti

- 08.00 – 09.15
- LIVE Interactive surgery: discussion around interesting cases
 - GIST procedures
 - Achalasia

- 09.15 – 09.45
- MIS gastrectomy for cancer: State of the Art *M. Gualtierotti*

- 09.45 – 10.15
- MIS esophagectomy for cancer: State of the Art *R. Rosati*
(videoconference)

Discussion

10.15 – 10.45 **BREAK**

COLORECTAL SURGERY

Chairmen: A. Forgione–M. Gualtierotti

- 10.45 – 12.15
- Technique – tips and tricks for: *S. Morales-Conde*
(videoconference)
 - right colectomy
 - left colectomy

- 12.30 – 13.00
- How to prevent and manage complications *A. Forgione*

Discussion

13.15 – 14.00 **LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE**

AFTERNOON

14.00 Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done *A. Forgione*

EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY

Hands on session on Live Tissue

14.15 - 18.45

All faculty

PROFICIENCY TEST

(for the surgeons having applied for the University Diploma)

University Diploma validating procedure

Small bowel resection / anastomoses

Training procedures

- Ileo-caecal dissection and anastomoses
- Roux-en-Y gastric bypass
- Partial / total gastrectomy
- Dissection of the hepatic pedicle

18.45

END OF SESSION

Free Evening

Laparoscopic General Surgery Intensive Course

Friday, September 25 - 2026

MORNING

07.45 Evaluation of the previous day

07.55 **PROFICIENCY TEST** *M. Vix*
(only for the surgeons having applied for the University Diploma)
Multiple choice questions for the University
Diploma from the "Strasbourg University UDS"

9.00 - 9.05 BREAK

THEORETICAL SESSION

ENDOCRINE SURGERY

09.05 - 10.15 • Minimally invasive, robotic and transoral
thyroidectomy and parathyroidectomy *P. Miccoli*

10.15 - 10.45 • Right and left adrenalectomy using transperitoneal
approach *M. Vix*

10.45 - 10.50 **GROUP PICTURE** *Participants & faculty*

10.50 - 11.15 BREAK

11.15 - 13.30 **BARIATRIC & METABOLIC SURGERY** *M. Vix*

- Tailored approach: sleeve gastrectomy & gastric bypass
- Management of common and difficult complications
- Bariatric cases and interactive discussion with participants

13.30 - 14.00 LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE

AFTERNOON

THEORETICAL SESSION

Chairman: A. Forgione

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| 14.00 - 14.30 | SPLENIC SURGERY: laparoscopic splenectomy :
indications and technique
Discussion | <i>A. Forgione</i> |
| 14.35 - 14.50 | WEBSURG: the free online university
Discussion | <i>M. Diebold</i> |
| 15.00 - 16.00 | LIVE INTERACTIVE SURGERY
Discussion around interesting clinical cases | <i>A. Forgione</i> |
| 16.00 - 16.30 | CLOSING LECTURE : ROBOTICS
New robots on the horizon: will minimally
invasive surgery go fully robotic?
Discussion | <i>A. Forgione</i> |
- 16.30 **END OF SESSION**
Delivery of the certificates of attendance and provisional
certificate of diploma awards for the successful candidates

Laparoscopic General Surgery Intensive Course

COURSE ENDORSEMENT AND ACCREDITATION



This course is accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME) to provide the following CME activity for medical specialists. The EACCME is an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS). EACCME credits are also recognized by the American Medical Association towards the Physician's Recognition Award (PRA).



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