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International Course in Plastic Surgery

ECPS Enhancing Competence in Plastic Surgery

Multidisciplinary between Aesthetics and Reconstruction

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The scientific rationale behind this upcoming CME course lies in the growing need for interdisciplinary collaboration and up-to-date knowledge in the fields of reconstructive, functional, and aesthetic surgery, particularly in relation to the complex anatomical and functional regions of the head and neck, skin cancer management, breast reconstruction, and limb surgery.

Modern surgical practice increasingly requires a comprehensive approach that integrates oncological radicality with the highest standards of reconstructive and aesthetic outcomes. In the management of head and neck tumors, the challenges posed by both the oncological burden and the delicate functional and aesthetic structures demand a meticulous surgical strategy. The course will explore innovative reconstructive techniques that aim not only to restore anatomical continuity but also to preserve speech, swallowing, and facial expressiveness. Similarly, in the treatment of skin cancers, particularly in high-risk or aesthetically sensitive areas, the synergy between dermatological diagnosis, oncological control, and plastic surgical reconstruction is essential to ensure both curative intent and patient quality of life.

Breast reconstruction, whether autologous or implant-based, remains a cornerstone of post-oncological care and an area of constant evolution. The course will offer an in-depth analysis of current trends, surgical planning, and the management of complications, reflecting the shift toward more personalized and integrated therapeutic pathways. Aesthetic breast surgery, while distinct in its goals, shares common techniques and principles with reconstructive procedures and will be discussed within the broader context of surgical harmony and patient-centered outcomes.

The program also addresses upper and lower limb surgery, with a focus on functional reconstruction following trauma, tumor resection, or congenital anomalies. These procedures often involve a delicate balance between biomechanics, tissue viability, and aesthetic restoration, and represent a crucial field in both reconstructive and reparative surgery.

What sets this course apart is the outstanding quality of its faculty, composed of leading Italian experts with extensive clinical and academic experience, as well as internationally renowned guest speakers who will bring a global perspective to the discussions. Their contributions will ensure a high-level scientific exchange, enriching the participants' understanding of current best practices and future directions in surgery.

By fostering dialogue among different specialties and offering a platform for the presentation of cutting-edge techniques, this CME course aims to enhance the clinical skills of participants and promote a multidisciplinary culture in the management of complex surgical cases. The setting of Cagliari, with its vibrant scientific and cultural environment, further contributes to the value of this initiative, making it not only an educational event but also an opportunity for professional networking and growth.

COURSE PROGRAMME

Friday 13 June

08.30 Participants registration

09.00 Welcome address and presentation of training objectives

A. Figus

Session I

Head & Neck: reconstruction

Chairpersons: A. Cardia, G. De Santis, L. Vaienti

09.20 **KEY LECTURE**

Aesthetics & Quality of life in Head & Neck
Reconstructive Surgery . The 3rd tier

J.J. Vranckx

09.35 Head & Neck paediatric reconstructive surgery

S. Podda

09.45 Head & Neck Non-Melanoma skin cancers:
the ORL Surgeon's involvement

F. Carta

09.55 Head & Neck Non-Melanoma skin cancers:
the Plastic Surgeon's involvement

C. Tiengo

10.05 Soft tissues in the Head & Neck: indications and results

M. Pignatti

10.15 The role of Medical Oncology within the
Head & Neck Multidisciplinary Team

R. Depenni

10.25 Tongue reconstruction: successes and frustrations

A. Cordova

10.35 How to reach the best aesthetic result in mandible and
maxilla reconstruction

G. De Santis

10.45 Questions & Answers

Discussants: A. Cardia, G. De Santis, L. Vaienti

11.00 *Coffee Break*




Friday 13 June

Session II

Head & Neck: function and aesthetics

Chairpersons: [C. Alfano](#), [F. Stagno d'Alcontres](#), [E. Trignano](#)

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| 11.30 | KEY LECTURE
Lifting: tips and tricks from 20 years of experience | A. Sterodimas |
| 11.45 | Migraine Surgery | E. Raposio |
| 11.55 | Functional rhinoplasty | F. Klinger |
| 12.05 | Rhinoplasty: closed vs open approach | V. Cervelli |
| 12.15 | Oculoplasty: the role of the Ophtalmologist | A. Cuccu |
| 12.25 | The eyelids between aesthetic and reconstruction | P.C. Parodi |
| 12.35 | The eyelids ptosis: diagnosis, indications and treatments | F.W. Baruffaldi Preis |
| 12.45 | Management of ectropion and entropion | C. Rubino |
| 12.55 | Questions & Answers
Discussants: C. Alfano , F. Stagno d'Alcontres , E. Trignano | |
| 13.10 | <i>Lunch Break</i> | |
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Friday 13 June

Session III Skin Cancers

Chairpersons: [G.M. Di Benedetto](#), [L. Grimaldi](#), [C. Rubino](#)

14.30 **KEY LECTURE**

The Skin Multidisciplinary Team and the evolution of skin cancer treatment

[J. Smith](#)

14.45 Melanoma and Non-Melanoma Skin Cancers:
ther role of the Skin Surgeon

[F. Picciotto](#)

14.55 Melanoma and Non-Melanoma Skin Cancers:
ther role of the Plastic Surgeon

[F. Bassetto](#)

15.05 Melanoma and Non-Melanoma Skin Cancers:
ther role of the Medical Oncologist

[G. Palmieri](#)

15.15 Sarcoma: is there a need for a sub-specialty
Multidisciplinary Team?

[B. Brunetti](#)

15.25 Wound healing: the no men's land

[V. Vindigni](#)

15.35 Questions & Answers

Discussants: [G.M. Di Benedetto](#), [L. Grimaldi](#), [C. Rubino](#)

15.50 *Tea Break*





Friday 13 June

Session IV Autologous Breast Reconstruction

Chairpersons: [M. Atzeni](#), [C. Garusi](#), [M. Salgarello](#)

- 16.20 **KEY LECTURE**
Microsurgical Breast Reconstruction:
a 30 year-long journey [V. Ramakrishnan](#)
- 16.35 Preoperative imaging in autologous breast reconstruction [A. Cina](#)
- 16.45 Breast Reconstruction with PAP flap:
efficiency and results [A. Figus](#)
- 16.55 Flaps and lipofilling: evolution of the autologous
combined techniques [B. Longo](#)
- 17.05 Total breast reconstruction with lipofilling [M. Sorotos](#)
- 17.15 **KEY LECTURE**
The DIEP flap: the gold standard in autologous
breast reconstruction [M. Hamdi](#)
- 17.30 Questions & Answers
Discussants: [M. Atzeni](#), [C. Garusi](#), [M. Salgarello](#)
- 17.45 Closing of the first day of the Course
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Saturday 14 June

08.20 Follow-up of the first day of the course

A. Figus

Session V

Implant-based Breast Reconstruction

Chairpersons: M. Greco, P.G. Calò, L. Valdatta

08.30 **KEY LECTURE**

Recent innovations in lymphedema surgery

J.P. Hong

08.45 The role of the Oncoplastic Surgeon

M. Dessena

08.55 Implant-based Breast Reconstruction:
sub- or pre-pectoral?

M. Salgarello

09.05 Contralateral breast surgery

M.E. Klinger

09.15 Implants and lipofilling

P. Berrino

09.25 Reverse expansion

L. Fabiocchi

09.35 Nipple Reconstruction using an hypodermic implant

E. Trignano

09.45 Questions & Answers

Discussants: M. Greco, P.G. Calò, L. Valdatta






Saturday 14 June

Session VI Upper Limb

Chairpersons: [F. Bassetto](#), [F. Boriani](#), [P. Sassu](#)


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| 10.00 | KEY LECTURE
Paradigm shift for treatment of chronic osteomyelitis | J.P. Hong |
| 10.15 | Hand Surgery: why the Plastic surgeon? | R.E. Perrotta |
| 10.25 | How to find a common place for Orthopedics and Plastic Surgeons | B. Battiston |
| 10.35 | Microsurgery in the hand: indications and results | C. Tiengo |
| 10.45 | Chimeric SCIP flaps for hand reconstruction | T. Giesen |
| 10.55 | Hand transplant vs bionic hand prosthesis: which future? | P. Sassu |
| 11.05 | Questions & Answers
Discussants: F. Bassetto , F. Boriani , P. Sassu | |
| 11.20 | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |
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Saturday 14 June

Session VII Lower Limb

Chairpersons: [A. Capone](#), [G. Delia](#), [A. Scotti](#)


- 11.50 **KEY LECTURE**
Updates for diabetic foot reconstruction [J.P. Hong](#)
- 12.05 Ortoplasty: the role of the Orthopaedic Surgeon [F. Bove](#)
- 12.15 Ortoplasty: the role of the Plastic Surgeon [D. Ribuffo](#)
- 12.25 Revisiting sub-scapular axis for lower limb reconstruction [R. Haywood](#)
- 12.35 Local flaps: indications and results [M. Cherubino](#)
- 12.45 **KEY LECTURE**
Managing bone infection and bone loss [U. Khan](#)
- 13.00 Questions & Answers
Discussants: [A. Capone](#), [G. Delia](#), [A. Scotti](#)
- 13.15 *Lunch Break*
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Saturday 14 June

Session VIII Aesthetic Breast Surgery

Chairpersons: [A. Figus](#), [C. Rubino](#), [E. Trignano](#)

- 14.15 **KEY LECTURE**
Navigating through breast implants: my three decades [V. Ramakrishnan](#)
- 14.30 Polyurethane implants in breast augmentation [M. Hamdi](#)
- 14.40 Shaped implants in breast augmentation [A. Innocenti](#)
- 14.50 Round implants in breast augmentation [P. Persichetti](#)
- 15.00 Ergonomic implants in breast augmentation [F. Santanelli di Pompeo](#)
- 15.10 Mastopexy and implants: tips and tricks [M. Hamdi](#)
- 15.20 Breast Reduction: how to reduce complications [A. Portincasa](#)
- 15.30 Questions & Answers
Discussants: [A. Figus](#), [C. Rubino](#), [E. Trignano](#)
- 15.45 Take Home Messages [A. Figus](#)
- 16.00 Closing of the Course [A. Figus](#)
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GENERAL INFORMATION

INFORMATIONS FOR CONGRESS REGISTRATION

Attendance

Attendance is guaranteed until all available spots are filled.

Pre-registration is mandatory and it can only be completed online at the following link:

www.clustersrl.it by June 9, 2025.

Access instructions

If you are already registered on the Cluster platform, personal credentials can be used to log in.

If you are not registered, a new account must be created by selecting the “Create a New Individual User” option. This will generate a username and password, which can also be used for any future event registrations on Cluster.

REGISTRATION FEES

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| • Consultant Surgeons over 35 years old | € 250,00 + VAT 22% |
| • Consultant Surgeons under 35 years old | € 150,00 + VAT 22% |
| • Residents Surgeons
(Attach the certificate of attendance of your University) | € 100,00 + VAT 22% |
| • Nurses | € 100,00 + VAT 22% |

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The registration fee must be paid only by credit card (VISA or MASTERCARD) online at the end of the registration process.

Upon receipt of the payment, Cluster will issue and send the electronic invoice.

Please ensure all billing information is filled out accurately.

PLEASE NOTE

Registration requests submitted through other channels (email, phone, fax, etc.) or without the completed payment will not be accepted.

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES

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| • Congress session | • 3 coffee breaks |
| • Certificate of attendance | • 2 buffet lunch |

REGISTRATION FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Travel and accommodation expenses
- Catering services other than those mentioned in “Registration Fee Includes”
- Any other expenses not specified in the “Registration Fee Includes”

CME INFORMATION

ITALIAN CME (CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION) COURSE DETAILS

The course is limited to a maximum of **150 Attendees Surgeons** (specialized in General Surgery, Gynecology and Obstetrics, Maxillo-facial Surgery, Otorhinolaryngology, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Oncology, Orthopedics and Traumatology, Pathological Anatomy) and **Nurses**.

CME Provider: Cluster S.r.l. - ID 345

CME training objective: Training Objective (Technical-professional training objective - N° 18) Technical-professional content (knowledge and skills) specific to each profession, each specialization, and each ultra-specialized activity.

CME project n. 345 - 451998 Assigned CME credits: 8,4

PLEASE NOTE

CME credits will be awarded only if the following conditions are met:

- Full participation in the entire training program
- Successful completion of the learning assessment
(a passing score requires 75% correct answers)

Please ensure you meet both requirements to receive your credits.

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