UNIVERSITÀ CATTOLICA del Sacro Cuore



GIPEx School

Gemelli International Pancreatic Excellence School

Advanced Course in Robotic Resection and Transplantation

A comprehensive educational experience in advanced robotic pancreatic surgery and transplantation

2-3 December 2026

Course Directors

Sergio Alfieri, Ugo Boggi

VENUE: **Policlinico Agostino Gemelli – IRCCS**
Aula Castiglioni – Aula Crucitti
Rome – Italy

This advanced course is designed for 20 general surgeons and surgical trainees aiming to refine their expertise in robotic pancreatic surgery, with a strong focus on both technical execution and conceptual surgical strategies.

The program integrates:

- High-level scientific lectures
- Live and relive surgical procedures
- Structured hands-on training session

Participants may attend in person or online (Euro 2500).

Hands-on training

Twenty selected participants enrolled in the Gold Participation Model will take part in a structured hands-on training program focusing on:

- Vascular resection and reconstruction (Pulsating Organ Perfusions)

Hands-on sessions will be organized in 10 small groups (2 participants per group) and will run in parallel with selected scientific sessions.

Missed lectures will be available on-demand for registered participants.



DAY 1

Session 1 – Plenary Session

Chairmen: ***Sergio Alfieri*** *(Rome)*, ***Ugo Boggi*** *(Rome)*

10:00 **Welcome and Introduction**
- ***Ludovico Docimo*** *– Presidente, SIC*
- ***Ugo Boggi*** *– President, AICEP*

10:15 **Pancreatic cancer: what is considered unresectable?**
Markus Wolfgang Büchler *(Lisbon)*
10:45 Discussion

10:55 **Evidence in minimally invasive pancreatic surgery**
Marc Besselink *(Amsterdam)*
11:15 Discussion

11:25 **Tips and tricks for pancreatectomy with vascular resection and recontruction – *Sergio Alfieri*** *(Rome)*, ***Ugo Boggi*** *(Rome)*
11:55 Discussion

12:30 – 13:30 • **Lunch Break**

Hands-on parallel lab sessions (1-5)

(Pulsating Organ Perfusions)

13:30 – 18:30

- 13:30-14:30 | **Group 1**
- 14:30-15:30 | **Group 2**
- 15:30-16:30 | **Group 3**
- 16:30-17:30 | **Group 4**
- 17:30-18:30 | **Group 5**

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Session 2 – Parallel Session

Chairmen: ***Marc Besselink*** *(Amsterdam),* ***Ugo Boggi*** *(Rome)*

13:30 **Robotic pancreatic surgery: from intuition to standard of care**
Pier Cristoforo Giulianotti *(Chicago)* – ONLINE
13:50 Discussion

14:00 **Evolution of minimally invasive pancreatic surgery in the IGOMIPS registry – *Ugo Boggi*** *(Rome)*
14:20 Discussion

14:30 **Minimally invasive pancreatic resection: laparoscopic or robotic? – *Michele Mazzola*** *(Milan)*
14:50 Discussion

Learning Curve Session
15:00 • Pancreatoduodenectomy – ***Niccolò Napoli*** *(Pisa)*
15:15 • RAMPS – ***Linda Barbarello*** *(Rome)*
15:30 • Spleen-preserving distal pancreatectomy – ***Giuseppe Quero*** *(Rome)*
15:45 Panel Discussion

16:00 – 16:30 • **Coffee Break**

Session 3 – Parallel Session

Chairmen: ***Ugo Boggi*** *(Rome),* ***Markus Wolfgang Büchler*** *(Lisbon)*

16:30 **Transition from open to robotic pancreatoduodenectomy**
Sergio Alfieri *(Rome)*
16:50 Discussion

17:00 **Strategies for safe learning and implementation of robotic pancreatic surgery – *Marc Besselink*** *(Amsterdam)*
17:20 Discussion

17:30 **Competency, proficiency and mastery in pancreatic surgery**
Ugo Boggi *(Rome)*
17:50 Discussion

18:00 **Total pancreatectomy – *Vincenzo Tondolo*** *(Rome)*
18:20 Discussion

18:30 **End of Day 1**

DAY 2

Session 4 – Plenary Session

Chairmen: ***Marc Besselink*** *(Amsterdam),* ***Safi Dokmak*** *(Paris)*

Live or Relive Minimally Invasive Pancreatic Resections

(2 parallel Operating Rooms)

Open breakfast, coffee breaks and lunch available throughout the session

07:30 – 15:00

Hands-on parallel lab sessions (6-7)

15:00 – 17:00

- 15:00-16:00 | **Group 6**
- 16:00-17:00 | **Group 7**

Session 5 – Parallel Session

Chairmen: ***Sergio Alfieri*** *(Rome),* ***Ugo Boggi*** *(Rome)*

15:00 **New perspectives on KRAS inhibitors – *Giampaolo Tortora*** *(Rome)*
15:20 Discussion

15:30 **Minimally invasive RAMPS – *Emanuele Federico Kauffmann*** *(Pisa)*
15:50 Discussion

16:00 **Minimally invasive spleen-preserving distal pancreatectomy for pancreatic cancer – *Safi Dokmak*** *(Paris)*
16:20 Discussion

16:30 **Robotic duodeno-pancreatectomy step by step**
Sergio Alfieri *(Rome)*
16:50 Discussion

17:00 **Robotic pancreas transplantation: indications and technique**
Ugo Boggi *(Rome)*
17:20 Discussion

17:30 **Pancreatic anastomosis**
Vincenzo Tondolo *(Rome),* ***Emanuele Federico Kauffmann*** *(Pisa)*
17:50 Discussion

18:00 **End of the Course**

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INFORMATION

VENUE INFO

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REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Participants may attend in person or online (Euro 2500)

A Certificate of Attendance will be issued to all registered participants.
To register, please complete the registration form available on the event page: ***https://cecongressi.it/eventi/gipex-school/***

Scan the QR Code to register →

**Participants who already have login credentials for their personal area should sign in before proceeding with registration, using their existing credentials.*

Upon completion of the Congress, the **certificate of attendance** will be available for download directly from the participant's personal area on the website, using the same credentials created or used during the registration process.

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