VB SPINE

Complex Spine Summit AGENDA 2026

Stay: Kameda Grand Zurich

Zurich, Switzerland
Balgrist University Hospital
Arrivals Tuesday 24th
Wednesday, 25th, November 08:30 – 16:15
Thursday, 26th, November 08:30 – 14:15

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Wednesday 25 November

Time	Session and Topic	Presenter	Location
08:30 – 09:00	Welcome and introductions	VB Spine	
09:00 – 09:45	Combined session: Transitional patients – What adult and paediatric surgeons need to know to better treat the missed AIS patient	Prof. Martin Gehrchen, DK	ALL Main Room
10:00 – 10:45	Paediatric group: Paediatric MIS correction	Dr. Georgios Bakaloudis, IT	
10:00 – 10:45	Adult group: Antero-lateral approaches in multi-level revision deformity	Mr Robert Lee, UK	
10:45 – 11:30	Paediatric case presentations	Delegates	
10:45 – 11:30	Adult case presentations	Delegates	
11:30 – 12:30	**LUNCH**		
12:30 – 13:15	Paediatric group: Are osteotomies really necessary in AIS?	Prof. Sebastien Pesenti, FR	
12:30 – 13:15	Adult group: Treatment for spinal infectious disease	Dr Martin Potgieter, ZA	
13:15 – 14:00	Paediatric case presentations	Delegates	
13:15 – 14:00	Adult case presentations	Delegates	
14:15 – 15:00	Combined session: Implant development, research and engineering (topic TBC)	Prof Mazda Farshad, CH	ALL main room
15:00 – 15:30	**BREAK and aperitivo**		
15:30 – 16:30	Guided tour at Balgrist	Prof Farshad's staff	
16:45	Transport to the hotel		
19:30	Group dinner		Hotel Kameda

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Thursday 26 November

Time	Session and Topic	Presenter	Location
08:30 – 08:45	Welcome, day 2	VB Spine	
08:45 – 09:30	Leveraging technology for complication prevention and management	Dr Alejandro Peiro, ES	ALL Main Room
09:30 – 10:15	Paediatric group: Case presentations – Avoiding complications in neuromuscular patients – and dealing with them!	Dr. Rosa Egea, ES	
09:30 – 10:15	Adult group: Topic TBC	Prof Dominique Rothenfluh, CH	
10:15 – 11:00	Paediatric case presentations	Delegates	
10:15 – 11:00	Adult case presentations	Delegates	
11:00 – 11:30	**BREAK**		
11:30 – 12:15	Paediatric group: Patient-specific rod templating	Mr Anant Tambe, UAE	
11:30 – 12:15	Adult group: Techniques and considerations in adult degenerative deformity corrections	Dr. Thilo Khakzad, DE	
12:15 – 13:00	Paediatric case presentations	Delegates	
12:15 – 13:00	Adult case presentations	Delegates	
13:00 – 13:15	Closing words, post-course survey	VB Spine	
13:15 – 14:00	**LUNCH**		
14:15	Transportation to the airport		

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PRESENTERS and TOPICS

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Presenter	Topic	
Dr. Bakaloudis, Italy	Paediatric MIS correction	Paediatric Presenter
Dr. Egea, Spain	Case presentations – Avoiding complications in neuromuscular patients – and dealing with them!	Paediatric Presenter
Prof Pesenti, France	Are osteotomies really necessary in AIS?	Paediatric Presenter
Mr Tambe, United Arab Emirates	Patient-specific rod templating	Paediatric Presenter
Dr. Khakzad, Germany	Techniques and considerations in adult degenerative deformity corrections	Adult Presenter
Mr Lee, United Kingdom	Antero-lateral approaches in multi-level revision deformity	Adult Presenter
Dr. Potgieter, South Africa	Treatment for spinal infectious disease	Adult Presenter
Prof. Rothenfluh, Switzerland	Topic TBC	Adult Presenter
Prof. Farshad, Switzerland	Topic TBC: Implant development, research and engineering	Combined Presenter
Prof. Gehrchen, Denmark	Transitional patients – What adult and paediatric surgeons need to know to better treat the missed AIS patient	Combined Presenter
Dr. Alejandro Peiro, Spain	Leveraging technology for complication prevention and management	Combined Presenter

The programme is subject to change, including the order of speakers and presentation titles.

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