



Dear Colleagues

**WE ARE DELIGHTED TO INVITE YOU TO ESCP 21<sup>ST</sup> SCIENTIFIC AND ANNUAL MEETING IN THE WONDERFUL CITY OF PRAGUE**



**ESCP**  
**21<sup>ST</sup> SCIENTIFIC MEETING**  
23-25 September 2026  
Prague, Czech Republic

Often described as one of Europe's most enchanting capitals, Prague blends medieval charm and vibrant culture. Prague is an exceptionally accessible destination for delegates, offering excellent transport links and a central position in the heart of Europe. Well-connected by an international airport, extensive rail networks, and major motorways, the city is easy to reach from across Europe and beyond. Its compact layout and efficient public transport also make navigating the city simple once you arrive.

We will be gathering at the Prague Congress Centre, one of Central Europe's leading conference venues. Ideally located just minutes from the historic centre and surrounded by excellent hotels, the venue offers sweeping views of the city and state-of-the-art facilities perfectly suited for a dynamic scientific programme.

This year's conference will feature keynotes from distinguished surgeons, cutting-edge research sessions and opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration in an inspiring setting.

We warmly invite you to mark 23 – 25 September 2026 in your calendar, and look forward to welcoming you to Prague for an exciting and informative event that will shape the future of colorectal care.

## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### WORKSHOPS & HANDS-ON TRAINING

Enhance your skills with practical workshops led by experts, focusing on the latest techniques and technologies, including: Watch and Wait, Fistula and OASIS courses.

A Training Village with hands-on experience will be available throughout the Conference, supported by our Industry partners. The goal of the Training Village is to provide a short and structured training experience for colorectal trainees.

### KEYNOTE LECTURES

Keynote lectures by globally recognised leaders in coloproctology, presenting cutting-edge science and visionary perspectives for the future of the specialty.

# SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

Participate in comprehensive sessions covering a wide range of topics

- > Three parallel tracks a day with a Plenary session for Best Paper and Keynote Lectures
- > Three x 6 Best Papers focused on Cancer/IBD/ Pelvic Floor-proctology

## Tuesday 22 September

- > Pre-Congress workshops

## Wednesday 23 September

- > Ultrasound Course
- > Official Opening Ceremony
- > Symposia, keynote lectures, surgical videos
- > International Research Collaborations
- > Interactive Trainee Workshop
- > My Most Challenging Case
- > Free papers & Elevator Pitches
- > Welcome drinks in the exhibition area (included in the registration fee)

## Thursday 24 – Friday 25 September

- > Plenary and parallel symposia
- > Keynote lectures
- > Free papers & Elevator Pitches
- > New Trials Forum
- > Global Reach Symposia
- > Y-ESCP
- > Humanitarian Lecture
- > Joint session with European Crohn's and Colitis Organisation (ECCO)

# RESEARCH SESSIONS

## Practise-Changing results from global cohort studies

- > Interactive Session: Applying findings from Global Cohort Studies - explore practical approaches for translating results from large global cohort studies.
- > Rapid-Fire Research Pitches: Research concept presentations or emerging idea in a concise, elevator-pitch format.
- > International Trials Forum: Clinical studies currently open for global recruitment.
- > Late-Breaking Abstracts.



**Miguel Pera**  
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# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION OPEN

22 January 2026

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION CLOSES

14 April 2026

Present your research and gain valuable feedback from peers. We encourage submissions of abstracts on all aspects of colorectal care.

We invite you to submit your abstracts for Oral (Six of the Best, Elevator Pitch and Free papers) and Poster Presentations.

This is an excellent opportunity to showcase your research and contribute to the scientific discourse.

**Randomized Trials Results Category-Late Breaking Trials Submission:** *There will be a short, late-breaking abstracts' submission window in June 2026; this is only intended for additional major RCTs found to be ready for presentation at this late stage. The number of available slots for presentations will be very limited at this point, and authors should aim to submit their work within the main abstract call.*

# NETWORKING

Connect with fellow professionals, share experiences, and collaborate on advancing the field of colorectal surgery.

# REGISTRATION

## REGISTRATION OPENS 2 February 2026

Please follow us on social media to receive updates regarding reduced early bird rates and deadlines.

# EDUCATION SESSIONS

## WILL INCLUDE:

- > My most Challenging Case
- > The Big Debate
- > Complications Management

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