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Date: 21 May 2026

## ORGANISING CHAIRMAN

### PERSATUAN PAKAR BEDAH ENDOSKOPI DAN LAPAROSKOPI MALAYSIA

G3A, Incubator 1,  
Technology Park Malaysia,  
Bukit Jalil,  
57000 Kuala Lumpur  
**(ATTN: DR. PAUL SELVINDOSS)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

### HRD CORP CLAIMABLE FOR REGISTERED EMPLOYERS UNDER KUMPULAN WANG PEMBANGUNAN SUMBER MANUSIA (KWPSM)

The above subject refers.

2. We are pleased to inform you that Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad (PSMB) has agreed with your request for training conducted as below to be **CLAIMABLE**.

Program Name : **The 33<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Congress of International Society of University Colon & Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS 2026)**  
Date : **23 – 25 July 2026**  
Location : **Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia**

3. Therefore, registered employers under Kumpulan Wang Pembangunan Sumber Manusia (KWPSM) can apply training grant through the e-TRiS system by selecting '**Non-Registered Training Provider Details – Association**' under the Skim Bantuan Latihan (SBL) and attach this letter as one of the supporting documents. The approval of the training grant is subject to the conditions set by PSMB.

4. PSMB also gives permission to you to use the **HRD CORP CLAIMABLE** logo for promotional purposes. Approval starts from the date of this letter until **July 25, 2026**. Enclosed with this letter is the logo link (<https://hrdcorp.gov.my/usage-of-hrd-corp-logo/>) for your reference.

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5. Should you need further information, please contact the Trainer and Provider Quality Assurance Department through email: [vm-support@hrdcorp.gov.my](mailto:vm-support@hrdcorp.gov.my).

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Yours Faithfully,



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**(SURAINDRAN BIN VISUVANATHAN)**

Trainer and Provider Quality Assurance Department  
Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad

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**Persatuan Pakar Bedah Endoskopi, Laparoskopi, dan Robotik Malaysia**  
**Society of Endoscopic, Laparoscopic, and Robotic Surgeons of Malaysia**  
**(SELSMAR)**  
**(PPM-014-14-26102021)**

Wisma HRD Corp,  
Jalan Beringin, Bukit Damansara,  
50490 Kuala Lumpur,  
Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur.

Attention to: Mr. Elaiyaraj A/L Retnam

20 May 2026

**Subject: One-off Application to Conduct Training SBL Scheme for ISUCRS 2026**

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the organising committee of the 33rd Biennial Congress of International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS 2026), we would like to apply HRDCorp Claimable Scheme for our upcoming conference, the 33rd Biennial Congress of International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS 2026) in conjunction with the 6th Biennial Congress of the Society of Endoscopic, Laparoscopic, and Robotic Surgeons Malaysia 2026 (SELSMAR Congress 2026). This conference will be held for 3 days from 23rd July to 25th July 2026 with the theme "Innovations and Collaborations in Colorectal Surgery: Bridging Tradition and Technology in a Global Village".

The congress will present a comprehensive program that bridges time-honored surgical principles with cutting-edge technologies in colorectal surgery. Through keynote speeches, plenary lectures, panel discussions, hands-on workshops, and research presentations, attendees will explore the latest advancements, tools, and evidence-based practices shaping the field today. By bringing together leading surgeons, researchers, and healthcare professionals from around the world, the event will foster meaningful collaboration, inspire innovation, and strengthen the integration of tradition and technology to enhance patient care and improve surgical outcomes globally.

Kindly find attached the following documents for your perusal.

1. Registrar of Societies (ROS)
2. ISUCRS Second Announcement
3. Programme Agenda
4. Speaker Profile

Kindly be informed that the available payment methods are as follows:

1. Credit/Debit Card
2. Online Transfer/Wire Transfer

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact our secretariat at [contact@isucrs2026.com](mailto:contact@isucrs2026.com).

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

**Dr. Paul Selvindoss**  
Organising Chairman  
ISUCRS-SELSMAR 2026



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**AKTA PERTUBUHAN 1966  
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**PERSATUAN PAKAR BEDAH ENDOSKOPI DAN LAPAROSKOPI MALAYSIA (SOCIETY OF ENDOSCOPIC  
AND LAPAROSCOPIC SURGEONS OF MALAYSIA)(SELSMA)  
G-3A, INCUBATOR 1, TECHNOLOGY PARK MALAYSIA, BUKIT JALIL  
57000 KUALA LUMPUR  
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**ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker At-a-glance**



Dr. Fidel Touma



Prof Dr. Maria Cristina Sartor



Dr. Francisco Abarca JR



Dr. Yogesh Palshetkar



Dr. Samrat Jankar



Dr. Yutaka Saito



Dr. Kei Kimura



Dr. Shunjin Ryu



Dr. Shigenobu Emoto



Prof. Tomas Poskus



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Audrius Dulskas



Prof. Dr. Gonzalo Hagerman



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Prof. Dr. Rakesh Gupta



Dr. Joaquim Costa Pereira



Prof. Dr. Goran Stanojevic



Prof. Francis Seow-Choen



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Julio Del Castillo



Dr. Kemal Deen



Dr. Mina Shen



Prof. Dr. Emre Balık



Prof. Dr. Dursun Bugra



Dr. Joseph Nunoo-Mensah



Dr. Richard Fortunato



Prof. Liliana Bordeianou



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Dr. Bethany Malone



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Dr. Marylise Boutros



Prof. Dr. Andreas Kaiser



Dr. Cristopher Varela



Dr. Ji Won Park



Prof. Jung Wook Huh



Dr. Eun Jung Park



Assoc. Prof. Kyung-Ha Lee



Prof. Dr. Woo Yong Lee



Dr. Pradeep Sharma



Dr. Parvez Sheikh



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Prof. Dr. Niranjan Agarwal



Dr. Kotaro Maeda



Dr. Lucia Oliveria



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Dr. Masayoshi Monno



Dr. Narimantas Samalavicius

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Fidel Touma**

Institution: Northern Health

Country: Australia

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr Fidel Touma is an experienced General and Laparoscopic Consultant Surgeon with a special interest in colorectal surgery and complex abdominal wall hernia repair and reconstruction. In recognition of his advanced training and expertise, Dr. Touma was awarded the Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS) in 2015 and held the position of a consultant general and laparoscopic surgeon at Northern Health (Public), John Fawcner Private Hospital, Northpark Private Hospital, and Northern Private Hospital. Throughout his career, Dr. Touma has consistently demonstrated an unwavering commitment to education and mentorship, imparting invaluable knowledge, skills, and guidance to numerous surgical residents, registrars, and fellows. He maintains active membership in several professional organizations, including, the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS), General Surgeons Australia (GSA), ANZ Hernia Society, and Gastroenterological Society of Australia (GESA).

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Maria Cristina Sartor**

Institution: Federal University of Parana

Country: Brazil

### **Speaker Bio**

Graduated in Medicine in the Federal University of Paraná. Postgraduate student in the Digestive System Surgery Service of the Hospital das Clínicas of the University of São Paulo under the leadership of Prof. Angelita Habr Gama. PhD in Digestive Tract Surgery from the University of São Paulo. Former President of the Brazilian Society of Coloproctology, where is the currently Coordinator of the Colorectal Cancer Prevention Committee. Professor in the Department of Surgery at the Hospital de Clínicas of the Federal University of Paraná. Head of the Coloproctology Service at the Hospital de Clínicas of the same University. Research activities focus on colorectal cancer, inflammatory bowel diseases, colorectal surgery, diagnostic and therapeutic colonoscopy, quality in colonoscopy, and medical education. Coordinator of the Research Ethics Committee on Human Beings at the Hospital de Clínicas Complex of the Federal University of Paraná.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Francisco Abarca jr**

Institution: Hospital de Especialidades Alfredo Paulson, Omni Hospital

Country: Ecuador

### **Speaker Bio**

General Surgery and Colon and Rectal Surgery, Guayaquil – Ecuador o Coloproctology Fellowship, Universidad de Guadalajara, Hospital Juan I. Menchaca, Guadalajara – Mexico o Colon and Rectal Surgery Fellowship, Mayo Clinic, Rochester – Minnesota, USA o Member of the Asociación Ecuatoriana de Coloproctología o Member of the Asociación Latinoamericana de Coloproctología o ASCRS (American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons), International Fellow o ACS (American College of Surgeons) International Fellow o Contributing Abstract Translator Committee for Disease of the Colon and Rectum (DCR) Journal, 2021 – Present day o Editor member for Revista Mexicana de Coloproctología. Enfermedades del Ano, Recto y Colon. 2022 – Present day o Chair of the Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery at Hospital de Especialidades Alfredo Paulson, Guayaquil – Ecuador

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Yogesh Palshetkar**

Institution: Gastrocare Hospital

Country: India

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Yogesh Palshetkar MS (General Surgery), Mumbai Fellow of Association of Colon and Rectal Surgeons of India Laparoscopic Surgeon and G I Endoscopist MBBS from Grant Medical College, Sir J J Hospital, Mumbai MS from Topiwala National Medical College and B Y L Nair Hospital, Mumbai More than 27 years experience in private practice Special interest in: Laparoscopic Surgery and G I Endoscopy Advanced Colorectal Surgery Minimal invasive Hernia surgery Pelvic floor surgery Consultant in: Fortis Hospital, Kalyan Gastrocare Hospital, Kalyan V Care, Kalyan Manav Kalyan Kendra, Dombivli Visiting faculty for Institute of Medical and Minimal Access Surgery Training IMMAST, Mumbai in the field of Laparoscopic, Endoscopic and Colorectal Surgery Trustee and former secretary of The Gastro-Intestinal Foundation, Thane

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Samrat Jankar**

Institution: Kaizen Gastro Care Pune

Country: India

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Samrat Jankar is an actively practicing colorectal surgeon from India with a focused interest in anal fistula, particularly complex fistula-in-ano. He is an Executive Committee member of the Association of Colorectal Surgeons of India (ACRSI) and the Association of Minimal Access Surgeons of India (AMASI). Dr. Jankar is deeply involved in surgical teaching and training, regularly conducting workshops and academic sessions. He has several publications and is committed to advancing anatomy-based, sphincter-preserving, and evidence-driven approaches in colorectal surgery.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Yutaka Saito**

Institution: National Cancer Center Hospital

Country: Japan

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Yutaka Saito is the Director of the Endoscopy Division at the National Cancer Center Hospital, Tokyo, Japan. He has also served as an attending Professor of Gastroenterology at Tokyo Medical University since April 2017. He has been invited to perform as a faculty member and live demonstrator in numerous countries. He was honored as an invited professor at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, and Jacksonville, Florida, in 2010, and at Arizona in 2016. He was also commended for the Basil Hirschowitz Master Endoscopist Award for advancing the art and science of endoscopy throughout the world in 2013 and the Certificate of Appreciation of Outstanding Reviewer for GIE: Gastrointestinal Endoscopy 2015-2017. He has a wide spectrum of research exposure and interests, including 1. Chromo-magnification Colonoscopy 2. Endoscopic Mucosal Resection and Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection for early gastrointestinal cancer 3. Colon capsule endoscopy and artificial intelligence diagnosis for colorectal neoplasia 4. Full-thickness resection and closure technique and device developments 5. He has published more than 500 peer-reviewed English papers and textbooks

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Kei Kimura**

Institution: Hyogo Medical University

Country: Japan

### **Speaker Bio**

I graduated from Hyogo Medical University and completed my surgical residency at Kansai Rosai Hospital. I am currently practicing at Hyogo Medical University, specializing in conventional colorectal surgery and minimally invasive procedures. With over 16 years of experience, I now focus on multidisciplinary management and advanced surgical techniques for high-complexity pelvic exenteration. I am actively involved in the Japan Pelvic Exenteration Network (J-PEN), aiming to standardize definitions and classifications in pelvic exenteration surgery. My academic interests include optimizing perfusion assessment using indocyanine green fluorescence to reduce anastomotic leakage in rectal cancer surgery, investigating the concept of disseminated locally recurrent rectal cancer, and developing curative strategies that combine carbon-ion radiotherapy and surgery for unresectable rectal cancer.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Shunjin Ryu**

Institution: Kawaguchi Municipal Medical Center

Country: Japan

### **Speaker Bio**

Shunjin Ryu, MD, is Deputy Director in the Department of Digestive Surgery at Kawaguchi Municipal Medical Center, Japan, and a member of the Department of Surgery, The Jikei University School of Medicine. He is a colorectal surgeon with a focus on minimally invasive and robotic surgery. His academic interests include image-guided and fluorescence-guided surgery, surgical education, and the clinical implementation of AI- and immersive technology-based navigation (AR/MR) to improve operative safety and team performance.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Shigenobu Emoto**

Institution: The University of Tokyo

Country: Japan

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Shigenobu Emoto graduated from the Faculty of Medicine of The University of Tokyo in 2004 and received his PhD in 2014. He was appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgical Oncology at The University of Tokyo in 2017 and has served as Lecturer since 2026. His clinical expertise includes colorectal surgery, minimally invasive and robotic surgery, multimodal treatment for rectal cancer—particularly preoperative chemoradiotherapy—and the medical and surgical management of inflammatory bowel disease.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Tomas Poskus**

Institution: Vilnius University

Country: Lithuania

### **Speaker Bio**

Head of Abdominal and oncosurgery centre, Vilnius University Hospital Santara Clinics  
Director of Translational Health Research Institute, Faculty of Medicine, Vilnius University  
Professor of surgery, Vilnius University Examiner of the European Board of Surgery, Coloproctology, since 2023  
Medical school: Faculty of Medicine, Vilnius University 1999  
General surgical and colorectal training: General Surgery Residency, Faculty of Medicine, Vilnius University 2004  
PhD, Vilnius University, 2008  
Clinical fellow, Mayo Clinic, USA 2010  
Fellow of European Board of Surgery Coloproctology, 2018  
Societies: European Association of Coloproctology, Membership committee, Eastern region representative, 2023-2026  
Lithuanian Association of Surgeons, President (2025-2028)  
Lithuanian Society of Coloproctologists, Vice President  
International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons, Regional Vice-president  
Mayo Clinic Alumni Association  
Main clinical and research interests: Colorectal cancer, anorectal disorders, Improving outcomes of surgery

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Audrius Dulskas**

Institution: National Cancer Center (Lithuania)

Country: Lithuania

### **Speaker Bio**

• 2014: Completed residency in surgery at Vilnius University Faculty of Medicine (VU MF). • 2016-11-18: Defended his PhD thesis in medicine on the topic "Functional changes in urinary, sexual, and anorectal systems after radical surgical treatment of rectal cancer." • Since 2020: Associate professor at Vilnius University. • Since 2022: Expert at the Cyprus Research Council, later in Latvia and Poland. • Since 2025: Head of Surgical Oncology department • Has trained at leading medical institutions in the USA, South Korea, Japan, Germany, France, the Netherlands, Denmark, and other countries. • Co-author of more than 200 ISI-indexed scientific articles (H-index: 31) and 3 scientific chapters. • Author of over 30 invited presentations at international conferences abroad. • Co-author of the scientific monograph "Oncological Diseases of the Anal Canal: Diagnosis and Treatment." Active member of Lithuanian and international organizations, including: • Cohort Studies (Deputy Chair), Guidelines, and Communication committees of the European Society of Coloproctology (ESCP). • Member of the EORTC Gastrointestinal Tract Committee. • Member of the European Association for Endoscopic Surgery Clinical Research Committee. • Member of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons. • Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. • Chair of Technology Committee of the International Association of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons. • Board Member of the Lithuanian Society of Minimally Invasive Surgeons. • President of the Lithuanian Society of Oncologists. • Secretary of the Lithuanian Society of Coloproctologists. • Member of the European Commission's Colorectal Cancer Working Group. Special interest areas: colorectal cancer, early diagnosis and screening, quality of life, Low Anterior Resection Syndrome, minimal invasive surgery, variable devices

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Gonzalo Hagerman**

Institution: Hospital ABC

Country: Mexico

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Gonzalo Hagerman Attending Surgeon at the Department of Surgery, ABC Medical Center (Centro Médico ABC), Mexico City. Associate Professor in the Graduate Program in Health Sciences at Universidad Panamericana. Master's degree in Bioethics and currently a Doctoral Candidate in Bioethics at Universidad Panamericana. Former President of the Mexican Board of Coloproctology and Associate Professor of the Colorectal Surgery Fellowship affiliated with the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), ABC Medical Center site. He has delivered more than 135 invited lectures at national and international scientific forums (United States, Latin America, Europe, Asia, and Africa) and has presented over 65 scientific research works. He has led multiple projects focused on improving the quality of life of patients with pelvic floor disorders and is currently working on the bioethical analysis of surgical practice. Author of book chapters and numerous national and international publications, he has received several academic distinctions and awards. His professional and humanitarian interests have also led to the creation of Fundación Sandra Súcar, an initiative dedicated to promoting medical humanitarian missions in Africa, particularly in Madagascar and Mozambique.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Rakesh Gupta**

Institution: B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences

Country: Nepal

### **Speaker Bio**

Rakesh Kumar Gupta, MS Prof. Gupta completed his undergraduate and postgraduate medical school in BPKIHS University. He then completed fellowship training, in Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS) at Vilnius university oncology institute (VOIU) at Vilnius, colorectal division Mayo clinic, Rochester, USA, MIS & Abdominal Wall Reconstruction at National university hospital Singapore. Currently heading the MIS & General Surgery as a unit chief at BPKIHS. He has a special interest in Minimally Invasive Surgery, laparoscopic digestive and hepatobiliary - pancreatic surgery and abdominal wall reconstruction and mesh-related complications. Additionally, he is training Colorectal & hernia surgery all over the Nepal and involved in surgical education within the general surgery residency program. He is founding member and president of Nepal Hernia Society (NHS), Board of governor Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgeon of Asia (ELSA) and Asia Pacific Hernia Society (APHS). He has more than 60 publications in international peer-reviewed surgical journals. He serves as member editorial board of World Journal of Surgical Procedures. Email: rakesh154@yahoo.co.in Contact: MIS & GS unit, Dept. of Surgery B.P.Koirala Institute of Health Science Dharan- 18 Nepal www.bpkihs.edu www.nepalherniasociety.com

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Joaquim Costa Pereira**

Institution: Hospital de Braga, ULSB, Braga Portugal

Country: Portugal

### **Speaker Bio**

Director of department of General Surgery at Braga Hospital, Coordinator of reference center of rectal cancer at Braga Hospital, Director of the colorectal surgery at Braga Hospital

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### Goran Stanojevic

Institution: University Clinical Center Nis, Medical Faculty University of Nis

Country: Serbia

### Speaker Bio

Head of Clinic For Digestive Surgery, Vice Head of University Clinical Center for Surgical Affairs  
 Name and address of Institution: Clinic for Digestive Surgery, University Clinical Center Niš Bul.Zorana Djindjića 48 18000 Niš  
 Education and training Dates: 1996 General Surgeon  
 Dates:2000 PHD Medical School University of Niš Serbia  
 Dates: 2013 Full Time Professor of Surgery Medical School University of Niš, Serbia  
 Dates: 2003 Associate Professor of Surgery Medical School University of Niš, Serbia  
 Dates: 1998 Assistan Professor of Surgery  
 Dates: 1997, 2000, 2002, 2005, 2007, several months surgical education Rotez Kreutz Hospital Kassel, Germany  
 prof. dr Hesterberg University Clinic Gottingen 2000, 2002, prof dr H Becker  
 Dates: 2007 Specialization in minimally invasive surgery Laparoscopic Colorectal Resections Dr.UweWidmaier, Hamburg Germany  
 Dr.StevenWexner Clinic Clinic Weston Florida  
 Prof.dr.Nicolo de Manzini University Hospital of Trieste Italy  
 Prof Antonino Spinelli Humanitas University Milan  
 Dates :2009 Subspecialization in digestive surgery Medical School University of Niš, Serbia  
 Dates 1992 BS, MSc, Medical School University of Niš, Serrbia  
 Dates: 1989 Graduate Medical School Univiersity of Niš, Serbia  
 Mother tongue: Serbian  
 Honors/Awards 2010,2014 Special award for the best poster ( as coauthor) International Symposium of Coloproctology Belgrade , Serbia  
 Dates: 2011-2014 National Representative of Serbia in ESCP  
 Dates: 2019 Member of Medical Academy Serbian Medical Society  
 Dates: 2025 Reginal Vice President for Europe of ISUCRS  
 Author or coauthor in many papers, 71 published in SCI and Current Contents,



## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Francis Seow-Choen**

Institution: Seow-Choen Colorectal Surgery

Country: Singapore

### **Speaker Bio**

Francis Seow-Choen studied at St Andrew's School, starting in 1964 in Primary 1 and leaving the school after his GCE A in 1975. He graduated MBBS from NUS in 1981, and obtained his higher surgical degree in 1987. He became head of the Department of Colorectal Surgery in Singapore General Hospital in 1994. During his time in SGH, he became the head of Surgical Oncology at the Singapore National Cancer Centre, amongst many other appointments. For his services to Singapore in Colorectal Surgery, Francis was awarded the Excellence for Singapore Award in 2000. He moved to private practice in Singapore in 2003, where he is still busy managing, operating and helping people with all sorts of intestinal and anal problems. Francis is still in demand internationally as a teacher and mentor in colorectal surgery. Francis travels often to many countries all around the world to teach and demonstrate the fine art of colorectal surgery. He had been honored as an honorary fellow of several national and international colorectal societies in China, India, Philippines, Chile, Israel, Great Britain and Ireland, Australia and New Zealand and the USA. Francis Seow-Choen has been interested in nature since his youth. In his school days at St Andrew's he would often visit the Kallang River, as well as the farms in Potong Pasir to look for fishes, turtles and snakes. He also kept many pets including stick insects in his youth, Francis published his first book "A Guide to The Stick & Leaf Insects of Singapore" in 1997. Since then, he has continued to research stick and leaf insects and has published exhaustive accounts of these creatures, not just from Singapore, but also from Borneo, Peninsular Malaysia, Sumatra and Java. So far, Francis had published 11 books on the taxonomy of stick insects. During this process he has described many new genera as well as more than 250 new species of stick insects. Francis was one of four authors who received the JO Westwood Medal for Excellence in Insect Taxonomy, given by the Royal Entomology Society and European Congress of Entomology in 2018. Francis has recently published; in Dec 2024; the full-coloured "A Guide to Land Snakes of Singapore, with interesting related species". Francis intends to continue to research both stick insects and snakes, as well as to help others appreciate and understand them more.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Julio Del Castillo**

Institution: Hospital Universitario Marqués de Valdecilla

Country: Spain

### **Speaker Bio**

MD, PhD. Head, Colorectal Surgery Unit. Hospital Universitario M de Valdecilla. Associate professor of surgery, Universidad de Cantabria. EBSQ colon.

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Mina Shen**

Institution: China Medical University Hsinchu Hospital

Country: Taiwan

### **Speaker Bio**

Prof. Mina Ming-yin Shen is serving as the Vice Superintendent at China Medical University Hsinchu Hospital in Taiwan, alongside her role as an Assistant Professor at National Tsing Hua University and China Medical University, Taiwan. Prof. Shen's expertise lies in the field of minimally invasive colorectal surgery and the treatment for anal disease. She has served as a proctor of da Vinci Robotic Colorectal Surgery in Taiwan and was designated as a da Vinci Case Observation Epicenter. She has conducted over two thousand laparoscopic colorectal surgeries and typically performs around 700 hemorrhoidectomies annually. Since the launch of the da Vinci Xi system in her hospital in late 2021, she has gained experience from over 500 cases. International fellows or surgeons are welcome to arrive at her hospital to observe minimally invasive colorectal surgery, conducted either by laparoscopy or the da Vinci robotic system. In recognition of her contributions to the field, Prof. Shen has been elected or appointed as a board member of Taiwan Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons, ELSA (Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgeons of Asia), ISUCRS (International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons), and APELS (Asia Pacific Endo-Lap Surgery Group).

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Emre Balık**

Institution: Koç University School of Medicine

Country: Turkey

### **Speaker Bio**

Emre Balık, MD is Professor of Surgery and Chair of the Department of General Surgery at Koç University School of Medicine, Istanbul, Turkey. He completed his surgical training at Istanbul University and a clinical research fellowship in colorectal surgery at Columbia University, New York. His clinical and research interests include colorectal cancer, minimally invasive and robotic surgery, gastrointestinal endoscopy, and anorectal physiology and inflammatory bowel disease. He has published extensively in peer-reviewed international journals and is actively involved in multicenter collaborative studies. Dr. Balık is an International Fellow of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS) and board-certified by the European Society of Coloproctology (ESCP). He serves on the Board of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS) as Vice Treasurer and is the current President of the Turkish Society of Colon and Rectal Surgery (2026–2028).

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Dursun Bugra**

Institution: American Hospital

Country: Turkey

### **Speaker Bio**

DURSUN BUGRA, M.D. Professor of Surgery Private practice: American Hospital, Department of General Surgery, Istanbul-Türkiye Visiting Professor: Koç University School of Medicine, Department of General Surgery, Istanbul-Türkiye Tel: +90.212.444 37 77 GSM:+90.532. 281 86 39 E-mail: dursunbugra@yahoo.com; dbugra@ku.edu.tr; dursunb@amerikanhastanesi.org; Web page: <http://dursunbugra.com/> Born in Turkey, November 27, 1954 - Graduation: Istanbul University, Cerrahpasa Faculty of Medicine, 1979 - General surgery residency: Istanbul University, Faculty of Medicine, 1979-1983 - General Surgeon: SSK Istanbul Hospital, 1985-1987 - Attending Surgeon, Associate Professor, Professor: Istanbul University, Faculty of Medicine, Department of General Surgery, 1987-2011 - Professor: Koç University, School of Medicine, Department of General Surgery, Istanbul 2012-2025, continue as visiting professor - Private practice: American Hospital, Istanbul 2010- Fields of interest: Colorectal surgery, gastrointestinal surgery, laparoscopic surgery Memberships, national: Turkish Surgical Association, Member Turkish Society of Colon and Rectal Surgery, Former President Turkish Society of Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgery, Member Memberships, international: International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS), Board Member European Society of Coloproctology (ESCP), Member European Association of Endoscopic Surgery (EAES), Member PubMed: 112 articles Google Scholar: 134 articles, 2941 citations 25.01.2026

## ISUCRS /SELSMAR Congress 2026 Speaker's Profile



### **Richard Fortunato**

Institution: INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF UNIVERSITY COLON AND RECTAL SURGEONS

Country: United States

### **Speaker Bio**

Doctor Fortunato is the Program Director for the Colon and Rectal Surgery Fellowship and the Associate Program Director for the General Surgery Residency Program at the Allegheny Health Network, in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, USA. He is also the President-Elect of the International Society of University of Colon and Rectal Surgeons.

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### **Liliana Bordeianou**

Institution: Harvard Medical School, Mass General Brigham

Country: United States

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Liliana Bordeianou MD, MPH is a Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School. She leads as Academic Director of the integrated Mass General Brigham (MGB) Colorectal Surgery Division, and as Surgical Director of the Colorectal and Pelvic Floor Centers at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Bordeianou is the founding chair (emeritus) of the USA Pelvic Floor Disorders Consortium and serves as Secretary General of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons. She advocates for multidisciplinary collaboration to improve colorectal patient outcomes. Her research focuses on pelvic floor disorders and patient-perceived outcomes after surgery, including quality of life, restoration of bowel function, and preservation of dignity after colorectal surgery. She also studies complications, oncological outcomes, and the long-term impact of treatment decisions.

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### **Jasneet Bhullar**

Institution: Henry Ford- Michigan State University

Country: United States

### **Speaker Bio**

Clinical Asso professor of Surgery - Michigan State University/ College of Human Medicine Program Director, Henry Ford - Michigan State University, Colorectal Surgery Fellowship, MI, USA Has published over 80 peer reviewed research manuscripts in leading scientific journals. Author of over 15 book chapters and editor of 4 books. Editor of Colorectal Chapter of 'Gray's Anatomy' 42ed textbook.

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### **Andreas Kaiser**

Institution: City of Hope National Cancer Center

Country: United States

### **Speaker Bio**

Andreas M. Kaiser, M.D., is professor and chief of the Division of Colorectal Surgery in the Department of Surgery at City of Hope, a National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive cancer center). He graduated in 1988 from the University of Zurich in Switzerland followed by an internship in surgical pathology and a residency in general surgery at the University of Zurich Hospital from 1990 to 1998. In addition, Dr. Kaiser completed a research fellowship at Harvard Medical School, a fellowship in Visceral Surgery at the University Hospital in Zurich, and a fellowship in colorectal surgery at Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California (USC). Before joining City of Hope, Dr. Kaiser was faculty at USC in surgery (for the last 8 years in the rank of a professor) from 2000 to 2019, and he served as interim chairman of the Department of Colorectal Surgery from 2008-2009. He is board-certified by the Swiss Board of Surgery in General Surgery (1998) and in Visceral Surgery (2006), and by the European Surgery Qualification Board in Coloproctology (2002). He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS), the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (FASCRS) and most recently was inducted as a fellow of the most prestigious American Surgical Association (ASA). He is a member of several national and international professional associations and committees. He is a member of the NIH Advisory Board for the Pelvic Floor Dysfunction Network of the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Kaiser has extensive experience in every aspect of even the most complex colorectal diseases and has become a referral center for challenging cases. He provides comprehensive interdisciplinary management for all stages of colorectal and anal cancer, hereditary colorectal cancer, inflammatory bowel disease, acute/chronic diverticulitis, functional disorders of the colon and rectum, and benign disorders of the anus. Dr. Kaiser has written numerous articles and book chapters, including his own book "McGraw-Hill Manual of Colorectal Surgery," and he was an editor of the "SAGES Manual Colorectal Surgery" (2019), as well as "Chassin's Surgical Strategies in General Surgery" (5th edition, 2022). He serves as Editor-in-Chief for the 6th edition of Chassin's Surgical Strategies in General Surgery (2026). Dr. Kaiser also serves as editor-in-chief of Clinical and Experimental Gastroenterology, Co-Editor for the Journal of Robotic Surgery, associate editor of Diseases of the Colon and Rectum, the official journal of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons, and section editor of Journal of Surgical Oncology. He served as guest editor on "Hereditary Colorectal Cancer" for "Seminars in Colon and Rectal Surgery" and was the lead author on an ASCRS Task Force for "New Technologies for Fecal Incontinence."

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### **Christopher Varela**

Institution: Universidad Central de Venezuela

Country: Venezuela

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Christopher Varela is a Venezuelan general surgeon and coloproctologist with extensive experience in clinical practice, academic teaching, and research. He is a faculty member in postgraduate surgical training programs and an internationally trained colorectal surgeon, having completed advanced fellowships in laparoscopic and robotic colorectal surgery at Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea. Dr. Varela is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons and serves on the ASCRS Video-Based Education Committee. His professional interests include minimally invasive colorectal surgery, trauma care, surgical education, and global collaborative research, with multiple peer-reviewed publications and international recognitions.

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### **Ji Won Park**

Institution: Seoul National University Hospital

Country: South Korea

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Ji Won Park is a Professor at Seoul National University Hospital, Korea, specializing in colorectal surgery. He completed his medical degree at Seoul National University College of Medicine, Korea, followed by a Masters and Doctoral degree from Chungbuk National University, Korea. His career includes residencies at Seoul National University Hospital, Korea and fellowships at the National Cancer Center Korea. He served as an Attending Surgeon at the National Cancer Center Korea, and Assistant Professor, and Associate Professor at Seoul National University Hospital. He was a Visiting Scholar at the University of Pennsylvania. He participated in a randomized clinical trial for laparoscopic surgery for rectal cancer (COREAN trial).

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### **Jung Wook Huh**

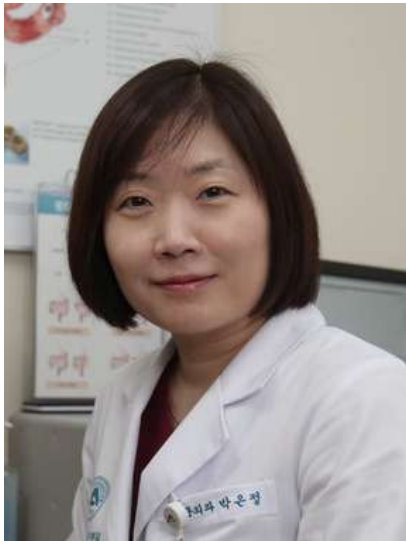
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### **Eun Jung Park**

Institution: Asan Medical Center

Country: South Korea

### **Speaker Bio**

Clinical assistant professor, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery, Asan Medical Center, University of Ulsan College of Medicine, Seoul, Republic of Korea

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### **Kyung-Ha Lee**

Institution: Chungnam National University Hospital & College of Medicine

Country: South Korea

### **Speaker Bio**

Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Chungnam National University Hospital, Daejeon, Korea (2015.3.1-2021.2.28) Visiting scholarship, Department of Surgery, UCSD, San Diego, USA (2023.9.1-2024.8.31) Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Chungnam National University Hospital, Daejeon, Korea (2021.3.1-present)

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### **Woo Yong Lee**

Institution: Samsung Medical Center

Country: South Korea

### **Speaker Bio**

Professor of surgery, Samsung medical center President ISUCRS

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### **Parvez Sheikh**

Institution: Saifee Hospital, Mumbai

Country: India

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Parvez Sheikh is consultant colorectal surgeon practicing in Mumbai, India. He is the Head of the Department of Colorectal Surgery at Saifee Hospital Mumbai & he runs a University fellowship program in colorectal surgery. He is the Past President of the "Asia Pacific Federation of Coloproctology" & "The Association of Colon & Rectal Surgeons of India". His area of special interest is complex fistula in ano & anal sphincter repair. His practice involves high volume complex fistula surgery & he has done some pioneer work in that. He has published several video books on ano-rectal surgery. He has innumerable National & International presentations & publications. He is the co-editor of the ACRSI textbook of Coloproctology. He is also the board member of ISUCRS

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### **Niranjan Agarwal**

Institution: Bombay Hospital

Country: India

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Niranjan Agarwal is a Consultant Colorectal and Laparoscopic Surgeon with extensive experience in the field. He previously served as President of The Association of Colon & Rectal Surgeons of India and Mumbai Surgical Society. He is currently the Chairman of the FACRSI Board and a Trustee of the Colorectal Foundation Trust Mumbai. He is also the Editor of the ACRSI Textbook of Colorectal Surgery and a member of the Practice Parameters Consensus Committee, contributing to ACRSI Practice Parameters on Anal Fistula. In addition, he serves as a member of the Board of Examiners of FACRSI, President of the Federation of Association of Medical Consultants of India, and Chairman of the Medico-Legal Cell of Association of Medical Consultants Mumbai. He has delivered numerous orations and lectures at national and international conferences and has authored many scientific papers and textbook chapters.

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### **Kotaro Maeda**

Institution: Medical Cooperation Himawariseishinkai Oumeimai Hospital

Country: Japan

### **Speaker Bio**

Dr. Kotaro Maeda, MD, PhD, is the Vice-President of Medical Cooperation at Himawariseishinkai Oumeimai Hospital and Honorary President of the International Medical Center at Fujita Health University Hospital. He graduated from Keio University, Tokyo, Japan, in 1979 and obtained his medical license the same year. Dr. Maeda served as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Fujita Health University from 2004 to 2017. He was a Board of Directors member of the Japan Surgical Society (2010–2016) and is an honorary member of several professional societies including JSS, JSCP, JSA, JSSCR, and ESCP. He has also served as a Board Member and Congress President (2020) of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons, Director General of the Asian Society of Stoma Rehabilitation, and Secretary General of the Asia Pacific Federation of Coloproctology. In addition, he was the President of the 81st Annual Congress of the Japan Surgical Association in 2013.



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## PROGRAMME-AT-A-GLANCE (MAIN CONGRESS)

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	<b>Symposium 2A</b> Colon Cancer in 2026: Redefining Standards Through Evidence and Experience	<b>Symposium 2B</b> The Intersection of Sexual Transmitted Disease, Anal Dysplasia, and HRA in Modern Proctology	<b>Symposium 2C</b> MIS Training	<b>Symposium 2D</b> Meet the CEO's	
	<b>Symposium 3A</b> Lectures Form Impact & Renowned Surgeons in Colorectal Surgery				
	<b>Plenary 1</b> Phil C Award - Educational Award How to Become a Colorectal Surgeon - Pathways, Challenges, and Opportunities				
	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>				
	<b>Welcome Reception</b>				

<b>24 JULY</b>	<b>Breakfast Session: Watch-and-Wait in 2026 - Implementing, Predicting, and Managing Failure</b>				<b>AM</b>
	<b>Symposium 4A</b> Rectal Cancer 2026: What's Here, What's Next, and What's Coming?	<b>Symposium 4B</b> Functional Disorders I - The Colorectal Surgeon's Role	<b>Plenary 1: Bariatric</b> The rise of Robotic Bariatric Surgery in Malaysia : Current Status., Challenges and Future Directions	<b>Symposium 4D</b> Allied Health Professional	
	<b>Symposium 5A</b> Proctology Fistula <i>Joint INDIA Session</i>	<b>Symposium 5B</b> Predicting the Next Decade of Pioneering or Disruptive Change in Colorectal Surgery <i>Joint JAPAN Session</i>	<b>Symposium 4C</b> Bariatric	<b>Symposium 5D</b> Allied Health Professional	
	<b>Symposium 6A</b> Proctology Video Tips & Tricks	<b>Symposium 6B</b> Strategies for Early Colorectal Lesions	<b>Keynote Lecture 1</b>		
	<b>Symposium 7A</b> Controlling Chaos in Colorectal Emergencies: Rapid Decisions, Lasting Impact	<b>Symposium 7B</b> Stoma Potpuri	<b>Symposium 5C</b> Recent Advances (AI)		
	<b>Symposium 8A</b> CRC - Building a World Without Preventable Colorectal Cancer	<b>Symposium 8B</b> Shaping the Future of IBD Surgery	<b>Symposium 6C</b> Endoscopy	<b>Symposium 7D</b> Joint IAGES Session	
	<b>Symposium 9A</b> Debates & Dilemmas in Minimally Invasive Colorectal Surgery	<b>Symposium 9B</b> Impact Papers in CRC since Korea 2024! A reviewer of committee	<b>Symposium 6D</b> Joint KAROS Session		
	<b>Symposium 10A</b> Haemorrhoid session <i>Joint MSCRS Session</i>	<b>Symposium 10B</b> Metastatic Colorectal Cancer: Shifting from Palliative to Curative Intent <i>Joint KOREA Session</i>	<b>Symposium 7C</b> Hernia		
	<b>Symposium 11A</b> Diverticular & Diverticulitis <i>Joint SAUDI Session</i>	<b>Symposium 11B</b> Obstructive Defecation Disorders	<b>Plenary 2</b> The Bacon Oration		
	<b>Symposium 12A</b> Complications and Intraoperative Challenges	<b>Symposium 12B</b> Obstructive Defecation Disorders	<b>Symposium 8C</b> Breast Surgery / Thoracic		
	<b>Symposium 12C</b> MIS Complications	<b>Symposium 8D</b> Joint APELS Session			
	<b>Evening Break / SELSMAR AGM</b>				
<b>Faculty Dinner</b>					

<b>25 JULY</b>	<b>Colorectal Run - KLCC Park</b>				<b>AM</b>
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	<b>Symposium 9C</b> Endocrine Surgery				
	<b>Plenary 3</b> The Jae Gab Park for Outstanding Contribution to Colon and Rectal Surgery Award				
	Morning Break / Poster Presentation				
	<b>Symposium 10A</b> Haemorrhoid session <i>Joint MSCRS Session</i>	<b>Symposium 10B</b> Metastatic Colorectal Cancer: Shifting from Palliative to Curative Intent <i>Joint KOREA Session</i>	<b>Plenary 3:</b> Hepatobiliary	<b>Symposium 10D</b> Allied Health Professional	
	<b>Symposium 10C</b> Hepatobiliary				
	<b>Plenary 4</b> Angelita Habr-Gamma Pioneer in Colorectal Surgery Award				
	Lunch Symposium 4	Lunch Symposium 5	Lunch Symposium 6		
	Lunch Break				
	<b>Symposium 11A</b> Diverticular & Diverticulitis <i>Joint SAUDI Session</i>	<b>Symposium 11B</b> Obstructive Defecation Disorders	<b>Symposium 11C</b> MIS Daycare / Emergency	<b>Symposium 11D</b> Robotic Surgery	
	<b>Plenary 5</b> The Fumio Konishi Excellence in Clinical or Research Award				
Break					
<b>Symposium 12A</b> Complications and Intraoperative Challenges	<b>Symposium 12B</b> Obstructive Defecation Disorders	<b>Symposium 12C</b> MIS Complications	<b>Symposium 12D</b> Video Session: Complications		
<b>ISUCRS Presidential Lecture</b>					
<b>Closing Ceremony + Hand-over Flag</b>					

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## ABOUT MALAYSIA

Malaysia is a dynamic and culturally diverse nation located in Southeast Asia, known for its vibrant mix of Malay, Chinese, Indian, and indigenous cultures. This multiculturalism is reflected in Malaysia's colourful festivals, world-renowned cuisine, and warm hospitality. From tropical rainforests and pristine beaches to modern cities and historical landmarks, Malaysia offers a rich tapestry of experiences for travellers. Whether exploring the tranquil islands of Langkawi, the tea plantations of the Cameron Highlands, or the wildlife of Borneo, Malaysia is a paradise for nature lovers and adventure seekers alike.

At the heart of Malaysia lies its capital, Kuala Lumpur—a bustling, cosmopolitan city that perfectly blends tradition and modernity. Famous for its stunning skyline, highlighted by the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, Kuala Lumpur is a hub of innovation, commerce, and culture. The city offers world-class shopping, fine dining, and a vibrant nightlife scene, alongside a wealth of cultural attractions such as the historic Merdeka Square, the Sultan Abdul Samad Building, and the beautiful Batu Caves.

Kuala Lumpur's diverse neighbourhoods showcase Malaysia's multicultural heritage, from the colourful streets of Chinatown to the bustling markets of Little India. Whether you're indulging in the local street food or exploring the lush greenery of the city's parks, Kuala Lumpur offers a unique blend of urban sophistication and cultural richness.

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## Welcome Address From the President of ISUCRS



On behalf of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS), it is my great honour and pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all participants, faculty, and esteemed guests to this exceptional event.

ISUCRS has a long and proud tradition of uniting leaders in colorectal surgery from across the globe to share knowledge, advance clinical practice, and foster collaboration in education and research. Our Society thrives on the diverse expertise, innovation, and dedicated spirit of its members – clinicians, researchers, trainees and allied health professionals who together seek to improve patient care in all aspects of colon and rectal disease.

In today's rapidly evolving surgical landscape, international dialogue and interdisciplinary cooperation are more important than ever. This meeting embodies that spirit, bringing together world-renowned educators and emerging leaders to discuss the latest evidence, refine surgical techniques, and explore future directions in colorectal practice.

I encourage you to engage fully with the scientific programme, to challenge established thinking, and to build meaningful connections that will endure beyond this meeting. It is through shared learning and collective passion that we will continue to elevate the standards of care for patients worldwide.

Thank you for your commitment to excellence in colorectal surgery, and I welcome you to what promises to be an inspiring and rewarding experience in Malaysia in July 2026.

Warm regards,  
**Prof. Woo Yong Lee, MD, PhD President, ISUCRS**

## Welcome Address From the President of ISUCRS-SELSMAR 2026 Congress



Dear Colleagues and Friends, It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 33rd Biennial Congress of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS 2026), which will take place from 23 to 25 July 2026 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia.

This year's theme, "Innovations and Collaborations in Colorectal Surgery: Bridging Tradition and Technology in a Global Village," reflects the exciting progress in colorectal surgery that is transforming how we approach patient care. The congress will feature a comprehensive scientific program with highlights such as interactive workshops, cutting-edge surgical demonstrations, and expert panels discussing the latest innovations in minimally invasive surgery.

Renowned speakers from across the globe will share insights on emerging technologies and treatment approaches that are shaping the future of colorectal surgery. We are also pleased to announce that ISUCRS Congress 2026 will be held in conjunction with the 6th Biennial Congress of the Society of Endoscopic, Laparoscopic and Robotic Surgeons of Malaysia (SELSMAR Congress 2026), enhancing the multidisciplinary focus and expanding the opportunities for collaboration. I look forward to welcoming you to Kuala Lumpur and to an inspiring congress filled with learning, innovation, and meaningful connections.

Warm regards,  
**Dr. Paul Selvindoss, Congress President, ISUCRS-SELSMAR 2026**

## Welcome Address From the President of SELSMAR



It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to this congress organised by SELSMAR together with ISUCRS. We are delighted to bring together surgeons, researchers, trainees, allied health professionals and colleagues from around the world for what promises to be a stimulating and meaningful meeting.

Our theme, "Innovations and Collaborations in Colorectal Surgery: Bridging Tradition and Technology in a Global Village," reflects the spirit of modern surgery. While we continue to respect the strong foundations of surgical tradition, we are also embracing new technologies, innovative techniques, and global collaboration that are shaping the future of colorectal surgery.

This congress aims to provide a platform where ideas can be exchanged openly, experiences shared generously, and new friendships & collaborations formed.

The organizing team has put together an exciting scientific program with outstanding international faculty and many opportunities for discussion and learning. I would also like to extend our sincere appreciation to our industry partners and sponsors for their invaluable support in making this congress possible.

At the same time, we hope you will take time to enjoy Malaysia – a country known for its cultural diversity, wonderful food, and warm hospitality. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing with you not only great science, but also the spirit and friendship that make meetings like this truly special. Terima Kasih.

Warm regards,  
**Dr Vimal K. Vasudevan, SELSMAR President, Congress Advisor ISUCRS-SELSMAR 2026**

# REGISTRATION FEE

International Delegates	Early Bird 1 Jun - 31 Mar 2026	Regular 1 Apr - 20 Jul 2026
ISUCRS Member	USD 300	USD 400
Doctor / Surgeon	USD 450	USD 500
Medical Officer / Trainee / Resident / Technician / Others	USD 250	USD 300
Nurse / Paramedic / Medical Student	USD 200	USD 250

Local Delegates (Malaysian)	Early Bird 1 Jun - 31 Mar 2026	Regular 1 Apr - 20 Jul 2026
SELSMAR Member	MYR 700	MYR 850
Non Member	MYR 850	MYR 1,000
Medical Officer/ Trainee / Resident / Technician / Others	MYR 450	MYR 500
Nurse / Paramedic / Medical Student	MYR 350	MYR 400

## Pre-congress Workshops

- ▶ Live Relay Surgery
- ▶ Robotic Cadaveric Colorectal Workshop
- ▶ Endoanal Ultrasound Workshop
- ▶ MRI for Fistula Workshop
- ▶ Sacral Neuromodulation (SNS) Workshop
- ▶ Suturing Workshop
- ▶ Thyroid Workshop
- ▶ Hernia Workshop



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- ▶ Functional Bowel Disorders
- ▶ Others



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24 JULY	Breakfast Session: Watch-and-Wait in 2026 – Implementing, Predicting, and Managing Failure	Breakfast Session: Proctology (Fistula)		
	Symposium 4A Rectal Cancer 2026: What's Here, What's Next, and What's Coming?	Symposium 4B Functional Disorders – The Colorectal Surgeon's Role	Plenary 1: Bariatric The Rise of Robotic Bariatric Surgery in Malaysia: Current Status, Challenges and Future Directions	Symposium 4D Allied Health Professional
	Symposium 5A Fistula in Ano Joint INDIA Session	Symposium 5B Predicting the Next Decade of Pioneering or Disruptive Change in Colorectal Surgery Joint JAPAN Session	Symposium 4C Advances in Bariatric Surgery and Metabolic Care	Symposium 5D Allied Health Professional
			Keynote Lecture 1 The Latest Advances in Endoluminal Robotics	
			Symposium 5C Recent Advances and Emerging Technologies in MIS	
	Morning Break / Poster Presentation			
	Symposium 6A Proctology Video Tips & Tricks	Symposium 6B Strategies for Early Colorectal Lesions	Symposium 6C Integration of Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Surgery	Symposium 6D Joint KAROS Session
	Lunch Symposium 1	Lunch Symposium 2	Lunch Symposium 3	
	Lunch Break / ISUCRS AGM			
	Symposium 7A Controlling Chaos in Colorectal Emergencies: Rapid Decisions, Lasting Impact	Symposium 7B Stoma Pops!out	Plenary 2: Robotic Hernia	Symposium 7D Joint IAGES Session
			Symposium 7C Contemporary Approaches in Hernia Surgery	
	Plenary 2 The Bacon Creation			
	Break / Poster Presentation			
	Symposium 8A CRC – Building a World Without Preventable Colorectal Cancer	Symposium 8B How I Do It: Benign Colorectal Surgery Video Tips and Tricks	Symposium 8C Multidisciplinary Advances in Breast and Thoracic Surgery	Symposium 8D Video: How I do it?
	Evening Break / SELSMAR AGM			
	Faculty Dinner			

25 JULY	Symposium 9A Debates & Dilemmas in Minimally Invasive Colorectal Surgery	Symposium 9B Impact Papers in CRC since Korea 2024!	Plenary 2: Endocrine Surgery TCTEVA: Journey from Endoscopic to Robotic	Symposium 9D Allied Health Professional
			Symposium 9C Current Concepts in Endocrine Surgery	
	Plenary 3 The Joe Gab Park for Outstanding Contribution to Colon and Rectal Surgery Award			
	Morning Break / Poster Presentation			
	Symposium 10A Haemorrhoid session Joint MSCRS Session	Symposium 10B Metastatic Colorectal Cancer: Shifting from Palliative to Curative Intent Joint KOREA Session	Plenary 3: Hepatobiliary MIS in Pancreas Resection: Evolving from Laparoscopy to Robotic	Symposium 10D Allied Health Professional
			Symposium 10C Advances in Hepatobiliary Surgery	
	Plenary 4 Angelita Habr-Gamra Pioneer in Colorectal Surgery Award			
	Lunch Symposium 4	Lunch Symposium 5	Lunch Symposium 6	
	Lunch Break			
	Symposium 11A Diverticulitis & Diverticulitis Joint SAUDI Session	Symposium 11B Obstructive Defecation Disorders	Symposium 11C Expanding Frontiers in Daycare and Emergency MIS	Symposium 11D Contemporary Applications of Robotic Surgery in Complex Procedures
	Plenary 5 The Fumio Kashi Excellence in Clinical or Research Award			
	Break			
	Symposium 12A Complications and Intraoperative Challenges	Symposium 12B Colorectal Cancer MDT	Symposium 12C Prevention and Management of Complications in MIS	Symposium 12D Video Session: Complications
	ISUCRS Presidential Lecture			
	Closing Ceremony + Hand-over Flag			



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