

ALSGBI Scientific Programme 2025

Monday 3 November 2025 – 8 CPD Points

07:45-19:00	REGISTRATION DESK OPEN Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor
07:45-09:00 10:55-11:25 13:15-14:15 15:35-16:00 18:30-19:30 19:30-22:30	REFRESHMENT TIMES Tea & Coffee, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor Tea & Coffee, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor Lunch, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor Tea & Coffee, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor President's Drinks Reception, Wine Tower, Ground Floor Conference Soirée, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
08:00-08:30	BREAKFAST MEETING / Pre-Book Chairs: Mr Anil Reddy Middlesbrough, Professor Chelliah Selvasakar (Manchester) IAGES Consultant Corner Auditorium, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
08:30-18:30	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
08:30-17:00	LapPass® PRACTICE WITH TIPS & TRICKS Private Area, Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor
08:45-13:15 & 14:15-18:15	LapPass® ASSESSMENTS Private Area, Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor
<div> <div> THE ALSGBI MISSION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advance education in surgery and in particular to raise and maintain standards in minimally invasive surgery. • Provide a structure for training, to promote educational and academic objectives and advancing technologies. </div> <div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion, carrying out and encouragement of medical research particularly in the disciplines of laparoscopy and minimally invasive surgery. </div> </div>	
TIMETABLE	THE PROGRAMME SPEAKERS/PANELS SUBJECT TO CHANGE PENDING FURTHER REVIEW
09:00-09:15	ALSGBI SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME – WELCOME Auditorium, Essex Suite, Ground Floor Professor Tan Arulampalam (President); Professor Bijen Patel (Congress President); Opening by Mr Graham Gooch (former English cricketer)
09:15-09:20	PLATINUM PARTNER'S PRESENTATION x 1 Chair: Professor Tan Arulampalam (President)

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09:20-10:55	SESSION ONE Chairs: Mr Altaf Awan (Derby), Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester), Ms Vivien Ngo (Liverpool) 09:20-09:40 ROBOTIC GROIN SURGERY - focus on benefits and limitations of robotic groin hernia surgery with interactive video. Ms Oroog Ali (Education Secretary, BHS) 09:40-10:00 ROBOTIC VENTRAL HERNIA SURGERY - focus on benefits and limitations of robotic ventral hernia surgery (smaller defects rather than full blown AWR so applicable to non-AWR surgeons). When to use it and when not to. Video presentation. Mr Greg Simpson (BHS) 10:00-10:20 BHS REGISTRY DEMONSTRATION Mr Liam Horgan (Database and Registries Lead, BHS) 10:20-10:55 COMPLEX CASE DISCUSSION Ms Oroog Ali (BHS), Mr Greg Simpson (BHS), Mr Liam Horgan (BHS)
10:55-11:25	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & REFRESHMENTS Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
11:25-11:30	PLATINUM PARTNER'S PRESENTATION x 1 Chair: Professor Tan Arulampalam (President) INTUITIVE
11:30-13:15	SESSION TWO Learning Objectives: This session will cover principles of surgery and showcase adjunct technologies vital for operative safety. The emphasis will be on technical challenges in robotic surgery Tips and Tricks for Robotic Surgery Panel: Miss Asma Afzal (Colchester), Professor Chelliah Selvasakar (Manchester), Mr Matthew Boal (Bristol) Chair: Ms Sharmila Gupta (Colchester) 11:30-11:50 Robotic GI FEV Mr Matthew Tutton (Colchester) 11:50-12:10 LOWER GI FEV Mr Subash Vasudevan (Colchester) 12:10-12:30 OPERATIVE TECHNIQUE– HOW I DO IT Gynae surgeon? 12:30-12:45 QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone

12:45 – 13:15	FOCUSED EDITED VIDEO SESSION Panel: Mr Imran Bhatti (Derby), Mr Graham Whiteley (Bangor), Ms Anna Palepa (Colchester), Mr Greg Wynn (Colchester) Chair: Professor Tim Rockall (Guildford)
12:45-12:55	VIDEO 1: Mr Hywel Room (Colchester)
12:55-13:05	VIDEO 2: CHOLOCYSTO-ENTERIC FISTULAE TIPS AND TRICKS Mr Ajit Abraham (London)
13:05-13:15	QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
13:15-14:15	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & LUNCH Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
14:15-14:35	RETHINKING AND REDESIGNING TRAINING CURRICULA FOR TODAY'S SURGEONS Ms Charlotte El-Sayed (Dukes Club President) Chairs: Ms Marina Yiasemidou (London), Mr Greg Wynn (Colchester), Tamsin Morrison (Chelmsford)
14:35-14:40	QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
14:40-15:30	ALSGBI ACADEMY SECTION Chair: Miss Tamsin Morrison (Academy Chair) Moderators: Mr Matthew Boal (Academy Deputy), Miss Nayaab Abdul-Kader (Colchester)
14:40-14:50	UPDATE FROM THE ACADEMY DEPUTY Mr Matthew Boal (Bristol)
14:50-15:10	Tbc
15:10-15:15	QUESTION TIME
15:15-15:25	ALSGBI ACADEMY PROJECT – 10 YEARS OF LAPPASS Miss Grace Bennett (Liverpool)
15:25-15:35	QUESTION TIME
15:35-16:00	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & REFRESHMENTS Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
16:00-18:05	SESSION THREE Learning Objectives: Understanding the role of MIS management of complex UGI, LGI and hernia emergencies

	MINIMALLY INVASIVE EMERGENCY GENERAL SURGERY – TIME FOR CHANGE Panel: Ms Shafaque Shaikh (Aberdeen), Mr Hamzah Choudhry (Chelmsford), Ms Roberto Marino (Chelmsford), Miss Emelia Gagasa (London), Ms Joanna Reed (Colchester) Chair: Mr Stuart Mercer (Portsmouth)
16:00-16:20	VIDEO 1: Laparoscopy to the rescue....again Ms Nienke Warnaar (Colchester)
16:20-16:40	VIDEO 2: MANAGING BLEEDING COMPLICATIONS IN ROBOTIC SURGERY Professor Barry McGuire (RCS Ireland)
16:40-17:00	VIDEO 3: TECHNIQUES TO REDUCE THE SAC AND EXTENT OF MEDIASTINAL OESOPHAGEAL DISSECTION IN GIANT HIATAL HERNIAS Mr Krishna Moorthy (London)
17:00-17:20	ALSGBI OBSERVERSHIP PROGRAMME Mr Stuart Mercer (Portsmouth)
17:20-17:35	QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
17:35-18:05	<hr/> FOCUSED EDITED VIDEO SESSION / RELEVANT TO SECTION THREE Panel: Mr Carmine Civilli (Manchester), Neil Keeling (Bury St Edmunds), Andrew McCanny (Belfast), Mr Chandima Halahakoon (Colchester), Professor Bijen Patel (London) Chair: Mr Andrew Day (Redhill)
17:35-17:45	VIDEO 1: Tbc Professor Timothy Rockall (Guildford)
17:45-17:55	VIDEO 2: LEARNING FROM LAPAROSCOPY TO THORASCOPY FOR HARVEST OF LIMA PEDICLED GRAFT Professor Ranjit Deshpande (London)
17:55-18:05	QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
18:05-18:25	INDUSTRY TALK Fisher & Paykel Chair: Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester)
18:25-18:30	ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE TOP 2 POSTERS FOR PRESENTATION & PRESIDENT'S ROUND-UP OF THE DAY Chair: Professor Tan Arulampalam (President)
18:30-19:30	PRESIDENT'S DRINKS RECEPTION Wine Tower, Ground Floor
19:30-22:30	CONFERENCE SOIRÉE

	Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
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Tuesday 4 November 2025 – 8 CPD Points

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08:30-15:45	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
08:30-15:45	LapPass® PRACTICE WITH TIPS & TRICKS Private Area, Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor
08:40-12:40 & 13:40-15:40	LapPass® ASSESSMENTS Private Area, Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor / Pre-Book
09:00-09:05	ALSGBI SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME – INTRODUCTION Auditorium, Essex Suite, Ground Floor Professor Tan Arulampalam (President); Professor Bijen Patel (Congress President)
09:05-09:30	THE ALSGBI LECTURE THE ROLE OF NON TECHNICAL SKILLS IN PREVENTING SURGICAL ERRORS Professor Paul Barach (Philadelphia, North Carolina, USA, and London, UK) Chairs: Professor Bijen Patel (London), Ms Deborah Gooch (Colchester), Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester)
09:30-10:50	SESSION ONE ALTS Session Learning Objectives: Understanding crisis management in the operating room Panel: Mrs Deborah Gooch (Colchester), Professor Paul Barach (Philadelphia, North Carolina, USA, and London, UK), Ms Roberta Marino (Chelmsford), Ms Soraia Gomes (Colchester)
09:30-09:50	HUMAN FACTORS IN SURGERY – TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAMWORK Mrs Deborah Gooch (Colchester)

09:50-10:10	INTRAOPERATIVE ERROR – OPENING PANDORA’S BOX Mr Nathan Curtis (Dorchester)
10:10-10:30	INNOVATIONS TO IMPROVE TRAINING IN THE OR Professor Shafi Ahmed (London)
10:30-10:45	QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by auditorium static microphone
10:45-11:20	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & REFRESHMENTS Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
11:20-11:50	SESSION ONE (continued) FOCUSED EDITED VIDEO SESSION Panel: Mr Ahmed Elshaer (Bradford), Ms Minali Perera (Edinburgh), Mr Chandima Halahakoon (Colchester) Chair: Professor Nader Francis (Yeovil)
11:20-11:30	VIDEO 1: WHAT WOULD YOU DO? CASE 1 Professor Tahseen Qureshi (Dorset)
11:30-11:40	VIDEO 2: WHAT WOULD YOU DO? CASE 2 Mr Jawad Ahmed (Coventry)
11:40-11:50	QUESTION TIME / Please line-up by auditorium static microphone
11:50-12:30	FREE PAPERS FROM SUBMITTED ABSTRACTS (4 PAPERS/ 10 minutes each) Chairs: Ms Marina Yiasemidou (London); Mr Andrew McCanny (Belfast)
11:50 – 12:00	GREENING THE OPERATING ROOM: A NARRATIVE REVIEW OF GLOBAL FRAMEWORKS FOR SUSTAINABLE SURGICAL PRACTICE Miss Vivien Ngo (Liverpool)
12:00 – 12:10	ROBOTIC EMERGENCY GENERAL SURGERY, FUTURE OR FALLACY? CASE-MATCHED COHORT STUDY OF OPERATIVE AND CLINICAL OUTCOMES Miss Kirsty Cole (Portsmouth)
12:10 – 12:20	COMPARING QUALITY OF LIFE AFTER ROBOT ASSISTED VERSUS OPEN RADICAL CYSTECTOMY: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW Mr Daniel Hawkins (London)
12:20 – 12:30	SEGMENTAL RESECTION VS. SURVEILLANCE: EVALUATING OUTCOMES IN POLYP CANCERS FROM A SINGLE-CENTER STUDY Miss Rena Al-Zubaidy (Medway)
11:50-12:30	PARALLEL FREE PAPER SESSION (4 PAPERS/ 10 minutes each)

11:50 – 12:00	<p>Mr Rikesh Patel (Chester), Mr Krishna Singh (Brighton) Meeting Room 10, Ground Floor</p> <p>SHOULD AN EARLY COLONIC EVALUATION BE RECOMMENDED FOR PATIENTS WITH CT-PROVEN UNCOMPLICATED ACUTE DIVERTICULITIS WHO ARE MANAGED CONSERVATIVELY?</p> <p>Mr Dhiman Kanti Sikder (Manchester)</p>
12:00 – 12:10	<p>TEN YEARS OF ROBOT-ASSISTED VERSUS LAPAROSCOPIC TOTAL MESORECTAL EXCISION FOR RECTAL CANCER (SHORT-TERM RESOLUTION)</p> <p>Dr Rauand Duhoky (Portsmouth)</p>
12:10 – 12:20	<p>BREAKING THE HABIT: CUTTING ROUTINE BLOODS IN COLORECTAL SURGERY TO ALIGN WITH ERAS, IMPROVE PATIENT EXPERIENCE AND REDUCE WASTE</p> <p>Mr Kapil Agrawal (Wolverhampton)</p>
12:20 – 12:30	<p>INTEGRATING THE DEXTER® ROBOTIC SURGERY SYSTEM IN VISCERAL SURGERY: OUTCOMES OF A “MID-TIER-DRIVEN” TRAINING MODEL AFTER 400 CASES</p> <p>Mr Nico Seeger (Switzerland)</p>
12:30-13:45	<p>INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & LUNCH</p> <p>Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor</p>
13:30-13:55	<p>ALSGBI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies for Absence (Mr Andrew Day) Minutes of the ALSGBI AGM held on 6th November 2024 (Professor Tan Arulampalam) Honorary Secretary’s Report (Mr Andrew Day) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership Report Election Results Announcement of the Travelling Scholarship & Research Fellowship Winners Key Dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 23rd Annual conference of IAGES and 3rd Biennial Spring meeting of EISA 13-15 February 2026, The Westin Powai Lake, Mumbai EAES Winter Meeting, 22-24 January 2026, Porto, Portugal EAES 34th International Congress, 23-26 June 2026, Athens, Greece ALSGBI 2026 Laparoscopic Surgery Training Day Tbc Robotic Surgery Training Day Tbc ALSGBI 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting, 7 & 8 December 2026, Old Trafford Cricket Ground, Manchester Conversion to a Charity Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and name change

	<p>4. Honorary Treasurer's Report (Professor Nader Francis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income & Expenditure • Annual Comparison • Subscription Rates <p>5. Director of Education's Report (Mr Altaf Awan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support of LapPass® Courses • Increase Access to LapPass® • Working with Industry to increase Laparoscopic Training • Development of Robotic Training Programme <p>6. President's Report (Professor Tan Arulampalam)</p> <p>7. Election of Professor Chelliah Selvasekar as President (Professor Tan Arulampalam)</p>
13:55 – 14:05	<p>SUSTAINABILITY LECTURE Dr Siya Lodhia (Guildford) and Dr Rabiya Aseem (Guildford) Chair: Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester)</p>
14:05-14:30	<p>EDI LECTURE HITTING YOUR HEAD AGAINST A BRICK WALL Mr Michael Swinn (Guildford) Chairs: Mr Thomas Mroczek (Blackpool); Miss Anna Palepa (Colchester); Mr Anil Reddy (Middlesbrough)</p>
14:30-15:20	<p>FREE PAPERS FROM SUBMITTED ABSTRACTS (5 PAPERS/ 10 minutes each) Chairs: Mr Imran Bhatti (Derby); Professor Bijen Patel (London)</p>
14:30 – 14:40	<p>DEVELOPMENT OF A ROBOTIC TRAINING CURRICULUM FOR GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY TRAINEES: AN INTERNATIONAL DELPHI STUDY Mr Michael G Fadel (London)</p>
14:40 – 14:50	<p>FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH TIME TO STOMA REVERSAL AFTER ANTERIOR RESECTION ACROSS ENGLAND: AN OBSERVATIONAL STUDY USING ADMINISTRATIVE DATA Mrs Naomi Olagunju (Shrewsbury)</p>
14:50 – 15:00	<p>VAGUS NERVE BLOCK POST-LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS: A RANDOMISED PROSPECTIVE DOUBLE-BLINDED STUDY Mr Mark Portelli (Malta)</p>
15:00 – 15:10	<p>THE IMPACT OF WORKPLACE CULTURE AND CLINICIAN PERSONALITY ON EXPOSURE TO DISRUPTIVE INTRAOPERATIVE BEHAVIOUR Dr Alexander Villafranca (Canada)</p>
15:10 – 15:20	<p>OUTCOMES OF MULTI-VISCERAL ADVANCED (GRADE IV) ENDOMETRIOSIS: IS CONSERVATIVE SURGERY THE BEST OPTION?</p>

	Mr Khurram Siddique (Manchester)
14:30 – 15:20	PARALLEL FREE PAPER SESSION (5 PAPERS/ 10 minutes each) Chairs: Professor Chelliah Selvasakar (Manchester) , Professor Nader Francis (Yeovil) Meeting Room 10, Ground Floor
14:30 – 14:40	FROM EXPERIENCE TO EXPERTISE: AN ANALYSIS OF NATIONAL TRENDS IN GENERAL SURGICAL TRAINEES' OPERATIVE NUMBERS (2013–2022) Ms Lara Rimmer (ALSGBI Academy Research Group)
14:40 – 14:50	ACCREDITATION PROTOCOL FOR ROBOTIC SETUP: AN INTERNATIONAL DELPHI CONSENSUS Mr Taner Shakir (London)
14:50 – 15:00	AN INTERNATIONAL CONSENSUS FOR ENHANCEMENT OF LAPAROSCOPIC SURGICAL TRAINING Dr Andreas Konstantinou (London)
15:00 – 15:10	FUTILITY IN EMERGENCY GERIATRIC SURGERY Ms Isobel Burridge (Leeds)
15:10 – 15:20	REVISITING ACPGBI GUIDELINES: OUTCOMES OF MANAGEMENT FOR MALIGNANT COLORECTAL POLYPS Mr Farhan Akra (Manchester)
15:20-15:30	POSTER PRESENTATIONS: THE TOP 2 (5 minutes each) Chairs: Mr Andrew Day (Redhill); Professor Nader Francis (Yeovil)
15:30-15:45	INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & REFRESHMENTS Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
15:45-16:17	VIDEOS OF DISTINCTION SESSION (4 VIDEOS/ 8 minutes each) Chairs: Mr Andrew Day (Redhill), Mr Jawad Ahmed (Coventry)
16:17-16:30	ALSGBI AWARDS CEREMONY Chairs: Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester); Mr Andrew Day (Redhill) Academy Excellence Award Winner 2025 Winner of the 2025 David Dunn Medal Winner of the 2025 Journal of Surgical Simulation Award Winner of the 2025 ALSGBI Best Laparoscopic/Robotic Video Prize Winner of the 2025 ALSGBI Best Laparoscopic/Robotic Poster Prize Winner of the ALSGBI Industry Challenge Industry Challenge Runner-Up ALSGBI Industry Challenge Free Prize Draw