

# ALSGBI Scientific Programme

Monday 3 November 2025  
8 CPD Points

**07:45–19:00**     **REGISTRATION DESK OPEN**  
Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor

## REFRESHMENT TIMES

07:45–09:00     Tea & Coffee, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor  
10:55–11:25     Tea & Coffee, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor  
13:15–14:15     Lunch, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor  
15:35–16:00     Tea & Coffee, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor  
18:30–19:15     President's Drinks Reception, Wine Tower, Ground Floor  
19:15–22:00     Conference Soirée, Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor

**08:00–08:30**     **BREAKFAST MEETING / Pre-Book**  
**Chairs:** Mr Anil Reddy (Middlesbrough), Professor Chelliah Selvasekar (Manchester)  
**IAGES Consultant Corner** Auditorium, Essex Suite, Ground Floor

08:00–08:10     **SURGERY FROM BARBERS TO ROBOTS – WHERE DO WE STAND TODAY**  
Dr Satish Midha (President, IAGES)

08:10–08:20     **MIS PERSPECTIVE IN MANAGEMENT OF CONCOMITANT CBD & GALL STONES**  
Dr Kanagaraj Govindaraj (President Elect, IAGES)

08:20–08:30     **PANEL DISCUSSION: COMPLICATIONS OF HERNIA / VENTRAL HERNIA**  
**Moderators:** Dr A Zameer Pasha (Trustee, IAGES), Dr Venugopal Venkatesh (Past President & Advisor, IAGES)  
**Panellists:** Dr Jaya Maheswari (EC Member, IAGES), Dr Vinayakam Kalaivani (Board Chairman, IAGES)

**08:30–18:30**     **INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT**  
Industry Exhibition, Hall 3, Ground Floor

**08:30–17:00**     **LapPass® PRACTICE WITH TIPS & TRICKS**  
Private Area, Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor

**08:45–12:45 & 14:15–18:15**     **LapPass® ASSESSMENTS**  
Private Area, Essex Suite Foyer, Ground Floor

## THE ALSGBI MISSION

- Advance education in surgery and in particular to raise and maintain standards in minimally invasive surgery.
- Promotion, carrying out and encouragement of medical research particularly in the disciplines of laparoscopy and minimally invasive surgery.
- Provide a structure for training, to promote educational and academic objectives and advancing technologies.

TIMETABLE	THE PROGRAMME SPEAKERS/PANELS MAYBE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT SHORT NOTICE
09:00–09:15	<b>ALSGBI SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME – WELCOME</b> 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	<b>PLATINUM PARTNERS' PRESENTATION</b> <b>Chair:</b> Professor Tan Arulampalam (President)  <b>SMALL BITES; LETS TALK INCISIONAL HERNIAS &amp; REGIONAL WORKSHOPS</b> Mr Brian McCann, National Lead for B. Braun Suture, UK
09:20–10:20	<b>SESSION ONE</b> <b>Chairs:</b> Mr Altaf Awan (Derby), Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester), Ms Vivien Ngo (Liverpool)
09:20–09:40	<b>ROBOTIC GROIN SURGERY – FOCUS ON BENEFITS AND LIMITATIONS OF ROBOTIC GROIN HERNIA SURGERY WITH INTERACTIVE VIDEO</b> Ms Oroog Ali (Education Secretary, BHS)
09:40–10:00	<b>BHS REGISTRY DEMONSTRATION</b> Mr Liam Horgan (Database and Registries Lead, BHS)
10:00–10:20	<b>PATIENT REPORTED OUTCOMES IN HERNIA SURGERY</b> Mr Asim Abbas (Director of Communications, BHS)
10:20–10:50 	<b>Sponsored by INTUITIVE</b> <b>THE ROLE OF TELECOLLABORATION IN ROBOTIC TRAINING</b> Mr Stuart Mercer (Portsmouth) <b>Chair:</b> Mr Altaf Awan (Derby)
10:50–11:20	<b>INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT &amp; REFRESHMENTS</b> Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
11:20–11:25 	<b>DA VINCI ROBOTIC–ASSISTED SURGERY: WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES</b> Mr Daniel Musker, Marketing Director, Intuitive UK & Ireland <b>Chair:</b> Professor Tan Arulampalam (President)
11:25–12:25	<b>SESSION TWO</b> <b>Learning Objectives:</b> 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.  <b>Tips and Tricks for Robotic Surgery</b> <b>Panel:</b> Professor Chelliah Selvasekar (Manchester), Mr Matthew Boal (Plymouth) <b>Chair:</b> Ms Sharmila Gupta (Colchester)

11:25–11:45	<b>ROBOTIC GI FEV</b> Mr Matthew Tutton (Colchester)
11:45–12:05	<b>LOWER GI FEV</b> Mr Subash Vasudevan (Colchester)
12:05–12:25	<b>OPERATIVE TECHNIQUE – HOW I DO IT</b> Mr Barry Whitlow (Colchester)
12:25–12:40	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
12:40–13:15	<b>FOCUSED EDITED VIDEO SESSION</b> <b>Panel:</b> Mr Imran Bhatti (Derby), Mr Graham Whiteley (Bangor), Ms Anna Palepa (Colchester), Mr Greg Wynn (Colchester) <b>Chair:</b> Professor Tim Rockall (Guildford)
12:45–12:55	<b>VIDEO 1: MANAGEMENT OF CBD STONES IN PATIENTS WITH PREVIOUS ROUX EN Y GASTRIC BYPASS</b> Mr Hywel Room (Colchester)
12:55–13:05	<b>VIDEO 2: CHOLOCYSTO–ENTERIC FISTULAE TIPS AND TRICKS</b> Mr Ajit Abraham (London)
13:05–13:15	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
13:15–14:15	<b>INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT &amp; LUNCH</b> Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
14:15–14:35	<b>RETHINKING AND REDESIGNING TRAINING CURRICULA FOR TODAY’S SURGEONS</b> Ms Charlotte El-Sayed (Dukes Club Past President) Presenting virtually <b>Chairs:</b> Mr Matthew Boal (Plymouth), Ms Marina Yiasemidou (London), Mr Greg Wynn (Colchester)
14:35–14:40	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
14:40–15:30	<b>ALSGBI ACADEMY SECTION</b> <b>Chair:</b> Miss Tamsin Morrison (Academy Chair) <b>Moderators:</b> Mr Matthew Boal (Academy Deputy Chair), Miss Nayaab Abdul-Kader (Academy Research Lead)
14:40–14:50	<b>UPDATE FROM THE ACADEMY DEPUTY CHAIR</b> Mr Matthew Boal (Academy Deputy Chair)
14:50–15:10	<b>TRAINING BEYOND ROBOTIC SURGERY</b> Professor Deena Harji (Manchester)
15:10–15:15	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone



15:15–15:25	<b>ALSGBI ACADEMY PROJECT – 10 YEARS OF LAPPASS</b> Miss Grace Bennett (Academy LapPass® Lead)
15:25–15:35	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
15:35–16:00	<b>INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT &amp; REFRESHMENTS</b> Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor
16:00–17:35	<b>SESSION THREE</b> <b>Learning Objectives:</b> Understanding the role of MIS management of complex UGI, LGI and hernia emergencies.  <b>MINIMALLY INVASIVE EMERGENCY GENERAL SURGERY – TIME FOR CHANGE</b> <b>Panel:</b> Mr Hamzah Choudhry (Chelmsford), Ms Roberto Marino (Chelmsford), Miss Emelia Gagasa (London), Mr Chandima Halahakoon (Colchester) <b>Chair:</b> Mr Stuart Mercer (Portsmouth)
16:00–16:20	<b>VIDEO 1: LAPAROSCOPY TO THE RESCUE... AGAIN</b> Mr Altaf Awan (Derby)
16:20–16:40	<b>VIDEO 2: MANAGING BLEEDING COMPLICATIONS IN ROBOTIC SURGERY</b> Professor Barry McGuire (RCS Ireland)
16:40–17:00	<b>VIDEO 3: TECHNIQUES TO REDUCE THE SAC AND EXTENT OF MEDIASTINAL OESOPHAGEAL DISSECTION IN GIANT HIATAL HERNIAS</b> Mr Krishna Moorthy (London)
17:00–17:20	<b>ALSGBI OBSERVERSHIP PROGRAMME</b> Mr Stuart Mercer (Portsmouth)
17:20–17:35	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone
17:35–18:05	<b>FOCUSED EDITED VIDEO SESSION / RELEVANT TO SECTION THREE</b> <b>Panel:</b> Mr Carmine Civilli (Manchester), Mr Neil Keeling (Bury St Edmunds), Mr Andrew McCanny (Antrim), Mr Chandima Halahakoon (Colchester), Professor Bijen Patel (London) <b>Chair:</b> Mr Andrew Day (Redhill)
17:35–17:45	<b>VIDEO 1: LAPAROSCOPIC EMERGENCY COLORECTAL SURGERY</b> Professor Timothy Rockall (Guildford)
17:45–17:55	<b>VIDEO 2: LEARNING FROM LAPAROSCOPY TO THORASCOPY FOR HARVEST OF LIMA PEDICLED GRAFT</b> Professor Ranjit Deshpande (London)
17:55–18:05	<b>QUESTION TIME</b> / Please line-up by static auditorium microphone

<b>18:05–18:25</b>	<b>FROM CINDERELLA SPECIALTY TO ROBOTICS – THE EVOLUTION OF EMERGENCY SURGERY</b> Mr Stuart Mercer (Portsmouth) <b>Chair:</b> Professor Tan Arulampalam (Colchester)
<b>18:25–18:30</b>	<b>ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE TOP 2 POSTERS FOR PRESENTATION &amp; PRESIDENT’S ROUND-UP OF THE DAY</b> <b>Chair:</b> Professor Tan Arulampalam (President)
<b>18:30–19:30</b>	<b>PRESIDENT’S DRINKS RECEPTION</b> Wine Tower, Ground Floor
<b>19:30–22:00</b>	<b>CONFERENCE SOIRÉE</b> Industry Exhibition, Essex Suite, Ground Floor