

Main Congress

Monday, 30 November – Wednesday, 2 December 2026

MONDAY

30 NOVEMBER 2026

8:45 Opening & Welcome

Walter Brunner, Switzerland
Bruno Schmied, Switzerland
Dieter Hahnloser, Switzerland

EARLY RECTAL CANCER

9:15

Strategies for early rectal cancer

Roel Hompes, The Netherlands

9:45

Resection after neoadjuvant therapy?

Simon Bach, United Kingdom

10:15

What's new in endoscopic surgery?

10:45 – 11:15 BREAK

COLON CANCER

11:15

Implementing CME and CVL nationwide: what is the new standard?

Jurriaan Tuynman, The Netherlands

11:45

Strategies for flexure cancers: extended or limited resection?

Patricia Tejedor, Spain

12:15

Neoadjuvant therapy for colon cancer: is it worthwhile?

Michael Montemurro, Switzerland

12:45

Satelite Symposium

13:15 – 14:15 LUNCH BREAK

RECTAL CANCER & TNT

14:15

Which TNT strategy to choose for which cancer?

Rodrigo Perez, Brazil

14:40

Brachytherapy: what are the benefits?

15:00

Can we convert CRC-MSS tumors to be responsive to immunotherapy?

Michael Bergmann, Austria

15:20

Near complete response: what to do now?

Geerard Beets, The Netherlands

15:45

Satelite Symposium

16:15 – 16:45 BREAK

CHALLENGING CASES & SOLUTIONS

16:45

Low anterior resection syndrome and trajectories

Therese Juul, Denmark

17:15

Case Discussions

18:15

ESCP Presidential Lecture: The Anatomy of Successful Mesocolic Excision — Embryological Planes and Vascular Variations

Introduction: Dieter Hahnloser, Switzerland
Speaker: Mehmet Ayhan Kuzu, Türkiye

18:45 Get Together

TUESDAY

1 DECEMBER 2026

9:00 Welcome Day 2

Bruno Schmied, Switzerland

RECTAL CANCER (CONTINUED)

9:00

Strategies for lateral pelvic lymph nodes

Gyu-Seog Choi, South Korea

9:30

Abdomino-perineal resection: how I do it?

Geerard Beets, The Netherlands

10:00

Watch & Wait: are we ready for all rectal cancers?

Rodrigo Perez, Brazil

10:30

Satelite Symposium

11:00 – 11:30 BREAK

ATYPICAL COLORECTAL CANCER

11:30

Early-onset colorectal cancer: current views and prospects for the future

Caterina Foppa, Italy

12:00

Colorectal cancer & genetics – what should we know, what's new?

Gabriele Möslein, Germany

12:30

Strategies for obstructed cancers in the emergency setting

Fabian Grass, Switzerland

13:00 LUNCH BREAK

PERINEAL HERNIA

14:00

Prevention after APR

14:30

Therapeutic options

15:00

Satelite Symposium

15:30

ECC Poster, Case Report & Springer Award Session

5 prizes to be awarded

16:00 BREAK

JOINT SESSION - STOMA

16:30

Lessons learned from the Norwegian stoma trial

Lars Grønvold, Norway

16:50

How to avoid a stoma?

Jérémie Lefevre, France

17:10

How to avoid and treat skin-related complications

Jacqueline Metzger, Switzerland

17:40

Prevention & repair of parastomal hernia

Salvador Morales Conde, Spain

18:10

EAES Lecture: Advanced imaging and AI in colorectal surgery

Introduction: Walter Brunner, Switzerland
Speaker: Luigi Boni, Italy

18:45 End Day 2

19:00 Festive Evening

WEDNESDAY

2 DECEMBER 2026

8:30 Welcome Day 3

LIVE SURGERY & VIDEO SESSION

9:00

Live Surgery & Video Session I

Open Surgery · Laparoscopic Surgery · Robotic Surgery

11:00 BREAK

11:30

Live Surgery & Video Session II

Open Surgery · Laparoscopic Surgery · Robotic Surgery

12:30 LUNCH BREAK

14:00

Live Surgery & Video Session III

Open Surgery · Laparoscopic Surgery · Robotic Surgery

15:30 Farewell & Invitation ECC 2027