

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE - HPBASA 2025

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Friday, 14 November 2025		Saturday, 15 November 2025		Sunday, 16 November 2025	
TBC		TBC		TBC	
7:00 REGISTRATION		7:00 REGISTRATION		7:00 REGISTRATION	
8:30 Hands-on Pre-congress Workshop		7:50 Congress opening - Plenary Session 1 - LIVER (Chairs Prof C Noel & Dr S Hofmeyr)		7:30 Plenary Session 5 - HPB ADVANCED ENDOSCOPY / INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY (Chairs Prof C Kloppers & C Noel)	
25-min Rotation between stations (+5 min change-over)		08:00 - 08:20 Management of HCC		07:30 - 07:50 The role of Interventional Radiologist in HPB	
Biliary Drainage		08:20 - 08:40 Ablation of liver tumors - Adjunct or definitive treatment		07:50 - 08:00 Q&A session	
Cholangioscopy		08:40 - 09:00 Molecular subtyping: How it influences decision making in CRLM		08:00 - 08:20 Approach to a difficult papilla	
Advanced Energy in the HPB's hand		09:00 - 09:20 Liver volume measurement and manipulation		08:20 - 08:40 Update on EUS biliary drainage - Where does it stand	
Use of Biodegradable Stents in the HPB World		09:20 - 09:40 Hepatic arterial infusion for CRLM		08:40 - 09:00 Therapeutic EUS for the HPB surgeon - (beyond biliary & cyst drainage)	
New Frontiers in EUS		09:40 - 10:00 The Role of Palliative Care in HPB Surgery		09:00 - 09:20 Endoscopic NFA for cholangiocarcinoma and pancreatic cancer	
Advances in Hepatic Ultrasound		10:00 - 10:05 Q&A session		09:20 - 09:40 EUS Detective Flow Imaging (DFI-EUS)	
4 rotations between 09:30 & 10:30		10:05 - 10:25 Debate: Ablation vs Resection for a single <3cm CRLM lesion		09:40 - 09:50 Q&A session	
		10:25 - 10:30 Post debate Q&A session		09:50 - 10:10 Debate: Biliary drainage for resectable PDAC: EUS versus ERCP	
				10:10 - 10:15 Post debate Q&A session	
10:30 REFRESHMENTS		10:30 REFRESHMENTS AND TRADE EXHIBITION		10:30 REFRESHMENTS AND TRADE EXHIBITION	
11:00 Hands-on Pre-congress Workshop continues		11:00 Plenary Session 2 - PANCREAS (Chairs Prof J Devar & Prof M Brand)		10:40 Plenary Session 6 - TRANSPLANT (Dr L Prodehl & Prof J Devar)	
2 rotations between 11:00 & 12:00		11:00 - 11:15 Robotic Surgery in HPB		10:40 - 11:00 Panel discussion: The role of the HPB surgeon in liver transplantation in SSA (Panel: Prof Eduard Jonas, Prof Marc BERNON, Prof Jose Ramos, Dr Sanju Sobnack)	
12:00 Adjourn		11:15 - 11:30 Vascular resections in managing Locally Advanced PDAC		11:00 - 11:20 Peri-operative management in liver resections	
12:10 Shuttle to venue		11:30 - 11:45 Operative options for PDAC in the neck involving the Coeliac axis		11:20 - 11:40 Bridge to liver transplant	
		11:45 - 12:00 Update on management of NF pNET's		11:40 - 12:00 Liver transplant for CRLM	
		12:00 - 12:05 Sessions Q&A		12:00 - 12:05 Sessions Q&A	
		12:05 - 12:25 Debate: Upfront resectable PDAC: NACT versus Upfront resection		12:05 - 12:10 Congress Closing Ceremony	
		12:25 - 12:30 Post debate Q&A session		12:10 CONGRESS CLOSURE	
12:30 LUNCH		12:30 LUNCH AND TRADE EXHIBITION		TBC	
13:30 Specialist / Fellows Course (Parallel) - Chair Dr T Marumo		13:10 Veritice Trade symposium 1		Shuttle departure	
13:30 - 13:45 Management of CRLM		13:10 Medhold Trade symposium 2			
13:45 - 13:50 Topic Q&A		14:00 Plenary Session 3 - PANCREAS (Chairs Prof J Ramos & Prof M BERNON)			
13:50 - 14:05 Locoregional options for HCC		14:00 - 14:20 When and what in the management of chronic pancreatitis			
14:05 - 14:10 Topic Q&A		14:20 - 14:40 Management of IPMN (when to surveil and when to resect)			
14:10 - 14:25 Right Hepatectomy technique		14:40 - 15:00 Proteogenomics and Genomics on pancreatic cyst fluid			
14:25 - 14:30 Topic Q&A		15:00 - 15:20 Extent of Surgery for Solid Pseudopapillary Neoplasms of the pancreas			
14:30 - 14:45 Isolated Caudate lobe resection technique		15:20 - 15:25 Sessions Q&A			
14:45 - 14:50 Topic Q&A		15:25 - 15:45 Debate: Endoscopy or Surgery first approach for chronic pancreatitis			
14:50 - 15:05 Approach to Gall bladder polyps		15:45 - 15:50 Session Q&A			
15:05 - 15:10 Topic Q&A		15:45 - 15:50 Session Q&A			
15:10 REFRESHMENTS		15:45 REFRESHMENTS AND TRADE EXHIBITION			
15:30 Specialist / Fellows Course (Parallel) Continues - Chair Dr O Chihaka		16:15 Plenary Session 4 - BILIARY (Chairs Dr S Bumeister & Prof C Sanyika)			
15:30 - 15:45 Biliary tract cancer chemotherapy		16:15 - 16:35 Management of pre-malignant biliary lesions			
15:45 - 15:50 Topic Q&A		16:35 - 16:55 Gallbladder cancer in South Africa. The changing landscape			
15:50 - 16:05 Lymphadenectomy extent for biliary tract cancers		16:55 - 17:15 Molecular targets in Cholangiocarcinoma			
16:05 - 16:10 Topic Q&A		17:15 - 17:35 Contemporary management of Gall Bladder Cancer - Extent of surgery for each stage			
16:10 - 16:25 Perioperative management of pancreatic surgery		17:35 - 17:40 Sessions Q&A			
16:25 - 16:30 Topic Q&A		17:40 - 18:00 Debate: Pre-operative biliary drainage for hilar cholangiocarcinoma - ERCP or PTBD			
16:30 - 16:45 PDAC chemotherapy		18:00 - 18:05 Post debate Q&A session			
16:45 - 16:50 Topic Q&A		18:05 - 18:45 AGM			
16:50 - 17:05 Management of non IPMN pancreatic cystic lesions		18:45 Session closed			
17:05 - 17:10 Topic Q&A					
17:10 Session closed.					
17:15 - 18:00 HPBASA Council meeting					
18:00 WELCOMING FUNCTION		19:00 CONGRESS DINNER			
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