

PROGRAMME:

14:00–14:10

Course opening and introduction

Chairs: Susana Maia / Helder Ferreira / Atanas Aleksandrov/ Sonia Barata

14:10–14:25

Clinical case presentations (all rooms) | Antonio Setubal

Each team presents patient, indication, planned surgical strategy, and key learning points.

14:25–14:30

Technical break/switch to operating rooms

14:30–15:10

Start of live surgeries + Mini-lecture

14:30–14:45

Ergonomics in TLH – Susana Maia

Surgeon position, table height, monitor positioning, and trocar geometry.

14:45–15:10

Continuation of live surgeries focusing on access, trocar placement, exposure.

15:10–15:30

Live surgery: initial steps of TLH

Initial dissection, ureter identification, and uterine vessel control.

15:30–15:50

“10 steps TLH” – Gabriele Centini

Stepwise, protocol-based presentation aligned with standardised TLH techniques.

15:50–16:00

Interactive Q&A on “10 steps TLH”

Panel discussion with operating surgeons from all rooms.

16:00–16:40

Live surgery – “Difficult TLH” session

**Cases with large uteri, adenomyosis, deep endometriosis, previous surgery.
Emphasis on safe dissection strategies and prevention of urological and bowel complications.**

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16:40–16:55

“Difficult TLH: tips & tricks” – Helder Ferreira
Entry strategies, uterine mobilization, bleeding control, and planned conversion.

16:55–17:00

Short technical break

17:00–17:30

Continuation of live surgeries
Focus on colpotomy, specimen removal, and preparation of the vaginal cuff.

17:30–17:45

“Robot versus conventional TLH” – Ramon Rovira Negre
Indications, learning curve, costs, and outcome data in benign and oncologic settings.

17:45–18:00

Q&A robot vs TLH + panel discussion Involvement of Lisbon and Belgium surgical teams.

18:00–18:30

Live surgery | Suturing focus
Demonstration of vaginal cuff suturing with different techniques
(continuous, interrupted, barbed sutures).

18:30–18:45

“Vaginal cuff suture: technique and prevention of dehiscence” – Karolina Afors
Key points to reduce dehiscence, bleeding, and postoperative pain.

18:45–18:55

“Complications in TLH: prevention and management” – Ewa Milnerowicz
Most frequent complications (bladder, bowel, ureteric injury, haemorrhage, cuff dehiscence)
and management algorithms.

18:55–19:15

Finalisation of surgeries / technical wrap-up
Case-by-case recap, key messages, interactive discussion with participants

19:15–19:30

Course evaluation and closure
Online feedback and self-assessment questionnaire; information on further ESGE/GESEA training
opportunities.