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Day I: (September 5th 2025)

08:15 - 08:30 AM - Opening Ceremony

Session I (8:30 - 11:00 AM) | Surgical Education and Academia

Session Chairs: Cihan Uras, Bilgi Baca

- **(08:30 - 08:45)** Mass General Brigham Surgical Education Experience (**Douglas Smink**)
- **(08:45 - 09:00)** The Academic Surgeon Blueprint: Success Strategies (**Ali Tavakkoli**)
- **(09:00 - 09:15)** Excellence in Minimal Invasive Surgery Training: BWH Experience (**Eric Sheu**)

(09:15 - 09:45) Panel Discussion, Q&A

- **(09:45 - 10:00)** Women in Surgery (**Rahila Essani**)
- **(10:00 - 10:15)** Medical Education for What? Ethics, Power, and the Struggle for Socially Engaged Medicine (**Cem Terzi**)
- **(10:15 - 10:30)** Cadaveric Dissection vs. Textbooks: The Best Approach to Anatomical Learning (**Cihangir Akyol**)

(10:30 - 11:00) Panel Discussion, Q&A

11:00 - 11:30 AM - Coffee Break

Session II (11:30 AM - 2:00 PM) | Updates in Bariatric Surgery

Session Chairs: Halil Coşkun, Recep Aktimur

- **(11:30 - 11:45)** Sleeve Gastrectomy: technical tips (**Eric Sheu**)
- **(11:45 - 12:00)** Managing Sleeve leaks (**Ali Tavakkoli**)
- **(12:00 - 12:15)** One-Anastomosis Gastric Bypass vs. Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass? (**Recep Aktimur**)
- **(12:15 - 12:30)** Fast Track in Bariatric Surgery (**Deniz Atasoy**)

(12:30 - 12:45) Panel Discussion, Q&A

- **(12:45 - 13:00)** Sleeve Conversions: when and how (**Halil Coşkun**)
- **(13:00 - 13:15)** Sleeve gastrectomy with Transit Bipartition (**Can Karaca**)
- **(13:15 - 13:30)** Future of bariatric Surgery in the era of GLP's (**Eric Sheu**)
- **(13:30 - 13:45)** Robotic Vs. laparoscopy in revisional bariatric surgery (**Abdulkadir Bedirli**)

(13:45 - 14:00) Panel Discussion, Q&A

Lunch

Day II: (September 6th 2025)

Session I (8:30 - 11:00 AM) | Updates in Colorectal Surgery

Session Chairs : İsmail Hamzaoğlu, Dursun Bugra

- **(08:30 - 08:45)** Right Colectomy: Should CME Be the Standard? (**Bilgi Baca**)
- **(08:45 - 09:00)** Total Mesorectal Excision (TME): Perfecting the Envelope (**Mehmet Ayhan Kuzu**)
- **(09:00 - 09:15)** IBD Surgery: Best Practices and Pitfalls (**İsmail Hamzaoğlu**)

(09:15 - 09:35) Panel Discussion, Q&A

- **(09:35 - 09:50)** Sigmoidectomy for Diverticulitis: Latest Approaches (**Afag Aghayeva**)
- **(09:50 - 10:05)** ICA vs. ECA in Right Colectomy: Does It Make a Difference? (**Emre Balık**)
- **(10:05 - 10:20)** Updates in Rectal Cancer management (**Özgen Işık**)
- **(10:20 - 10:35)** Innovations in Colorectal Surgery (**Rahila Essani**)

(10:35 - 11:00) Panel Discussion, Q&A

11:00 - 11:30 AM - Coffee Break

Session II (11:00 AM - 1:30 PM) | Research and Innovation in Surgery

Session Chairs: Cem Terzi, Feza Karakayalı

- **(11:30 - 11:45)** The Role of Surgical Societies in Career Advancement (**Feza Karakayalı**)
- **(11:45 - 12:00)** Surgeon scientist pathway (**Thomas Shin**)
- **(12:00 - 12:15)** Navigating Surgical Publishing; Editors pearls of wisdom (**Douglas Smink**)

(12:15 - 12:30) Panel Discussion, Q&A

- **(12:30 - 12:45)** Government Funding for Surgical Research: Latest Updates (**Özden Hatırnaz**)
- **(12:45 - 13:00)** Basic Science Research for Surgeons: Taking the First Step (**Eric Sheu**)
- **(13:00 - 13:15)** Latest innovations in Surgery: Breakthroughs and Applications (**Jayender Jagadeesan**)

(13:15 - 13:30) Panel Discussion, Q&A

Lunch

Day III: (September 7th 2025)

Session I (8:30 - 11:00 AM) | Evolving Strategies in Upper GI & HPB Surgery

Session Chairs: Koray Karabulut, Hasan Bektaş

- **(08:30 - 08:45)** Esophagectomy: Key Mistakes to Avoid (**Erol Pişkin**)
- **(08:45 - 09:00)** Gastrectomy: Anastomotic Techniques and Mapping (**Hasan Bektaş**)
- **(09:00 - 09:15)** Revisional Surgery for Failed GERD Procedures: When and How? (**Charu Paranjape**)
- **(09:15 - 09:30)** Latest updates on forgut surgery guidelines (**Eric Sheu**)

(09:30 - 09:45) Panel Discussion, Q&A

- **(09:45 - 10:00)** Mastering the Whipple: Training Pathways for Surgeons (**Emre Bozkurt**)
- **(10:00 - 10:15)** Distal Pancreatectomy: Avoiding Common Pitfalls (**Murat Gönenç**)
- **(10:15 - 10:30)** ICG Use in Minimally Invasive Hepatobiliary Surgery (**Aydin Alper**)
- **(10:30 - 10:45)** Updates on Bile ducts injury management (**Ali Ahmad**)

(10:45 - 11:00) Panel Discussion, Q&A

11:00 - 11:30 AM - Coffee Break

Session II (11:30 AM - 2:00 PM) | Innovations in Abdominal Wall Hernia Surgery

Session Chairs: Metin Ertem, Yusef Kudsi

- **(11:30 - 11:45)** Surgical Mesh: Advances and Controversies (**Hakan Gök**)
- **(11:45 - 12:00)** Inguinal Hernia Repairs: Latest Advances (**Charu Paranjape**)
- **(12:00 - 12:15)** Abdominal Wall Loss Management (**Emre Canda**)
- **(12:15 - 12:30)** Updates on small to moderate ventral hernia managements (**Ihsan Inan**)
- **(12:30 - 12:45)** Mesh-related complications (**Metin Ertem**)

(12:45 - 12:55) Panel Discussion, Q&A

- **(12:55 - 13:10)** Abdominal Wall Reconstruction: Latest Advances (**Yusef Kudsi**)
- **(13:10 - 13:25)** Updates in Diastasis Recti Management (**Ihsan Inan**)
- **(13:25 - 13:40)** IPOM ^ IPOM+ for Hernia Repair: Here to Stay? (**Melih Paksoy**)
- **(13:40 - 13:55)** Parastomal Hernia Repair Updates (**Emre Canda**)

(13:55 - 14:00) Panel Discussion, Q&A

14:00 - 14:15 - Wrap up the meeting & Closing

Lunch