



# Emirates International Thoracic Surgery Congress

"Bringing Countries Together"

18-19 April, 2025

Sofitel Hotel,  
Abu Dhabi, UAE

<b>Timings GST / UAE</b>	Friday, 18th April 2025	
07:30 - 08:30	Registration	
08:25 - 08:30	Welcome and Introduction	Master of Ceremony

<b>SESSION 1: Non-small cell lung cancer</b>		
SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. James Douglas Aitchinson, Dr. Taj Chowdhry & Dr. Elkin Cabrera		
08:30 - 08:55	Neoadjuvant therapy, role of immunotherapy	Dr. Emad Dawoud, UAE
08:55 - 09:20	Minimally invasive sublobar resections – when, how, and why?	Dr. Ali Zamir Khan, UK
09:20 - 09:45	Subxiphoid vs. traditional approach for lung resections	Dr. Mohammed Ibrahim, Germany
09:45 - 10:10	Advanced unresectable CA, biologic and definitive therapy	Dr. Dalia Elshorbagy, UAE
10:10 - 10:35	Alternative options: SBRT vs. Surgery – Pros and Cons	Dr. Abdulrahman Bin Sumaida, UAE
10:35 - 10:55	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 1 Speakers</b>
10:55 - 11:20	<b>OFFICIAL INAUGURATION</b>	
11:20 - 11:30	<b>COFFEE BREAK   Exhibition Visit &amp; Networking   Poster Viewing</b>	

<b>SESSION 2: Early and novel diagnostics; Benign disease</b>		
SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Khaldoon Dakka, Dr. Amel Al Amiri & Dr. Sanath Kumar		
11:30 - 11:55	Surgeon powered robotic surgery	Dr. Celal Bugra Sezen, Turkey
11:55 - 12:20	Diagnostic and therapeutic advances in interventional bronchoscopy – What's new in 2025?	Dr. Muhammad Tufail, UAE
12:20 - 12:45	Evolution in tuberculous surgery: when to operate and when not to?	Dr. Rajan Santosham, India
12:45 - 13:10	Role of surgery in Aspergillosis and Mucormycosis	Dr. Ravindra Dewan, India
13:10 - 13:35	Empyema: is fibrinolytic therapy as good as decortication?	Dr. Mohamed Shaaban Mousa, UAE
13:35 - 13:55	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 2 Speakers</b>
13:55 - 14:30	<b>LUNCH BREAK   Exhibition Visit &amp; Networking</b>	
14:30 - 15:30	<b>OP - Robotic resection of pulmonary hydatid cyst</b>	<b>Dr. Mostafa Eldewer, UAE</b>

<b>PARALLEL SESSION 3: Mediastinal tumors, mesothelioma, TOS</b>		
SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Bassil Alzamkan, Dr. Anmar Atasi & Dr. Lateef Hussein Suleiman		
15:30 - 15:55	Myasthenia gravis & role of thymectomy	Dr. Rene Petersen, Denmark
15:55 - 16:20	Posterior mediastinal tumors	Dr. Khaldoon Dakka, UAE
16:20 - 16:45	Mesothelioma and Stage IV Thymoma: Role of surgery and HITHOC	Dr. Hany Elsayed, Egypt
16:45 - 17:10	Thoracic outlet syndrome: Cervical rib and first rib resection	Dr. Bassam Redwan, Germany
17:10 - 17:30	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 3 Speakers</b>
17:30	<b>END OF DAY 1</b>	



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## SESSION 5: Benign and malignant esophagus

SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Aydah Al Awadhi, Dr. Hussam Ismael & Dr. Mariam Marashda

08:30 - 08:55	Achalasia (Heller vs. POEM) and pulsion diverticulum	Dr. Abbas Abbas, USA
08:55 - 09:20	Caustic injury of the esophagus: management and surgical options	Dr. Mohamed Mustafa, UAE
09:20 - 09:45	Changes in perioperative regimens: New horizon	Dr. Aref Chehal, UAE
09:45 - 10:10	Role of extensive lymphadenectomy for esophageal cancer	Dr. Seong-Yong Park, Korea
10:10 - 10:35	Salvage esophagectomy	Dr. Puja Khaitan, UAE
10:35 - 10:55	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 5 Speakers</b>
10:55 - 11:10	<b>BEST POSTER &amp; CASE PRESENTATION AWARD</b>	
11:10 - 11:20	<b>COFFEE BREAK   Exhibition Visit &amp; Networking   Poster Viewing</b>	

## SESSION 6: Foregut, Diaphragmatic, Chest wall pathology

SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Mohannad AlAsaad, Dr. Abdulmajid Ali & Dr. Iyad George Jarouj

11:20 - 11:40	Role of High resolution manometry & Endoflip for AnE-Reflux Surgeries	Dr. Eyad Alakrad, UAE
11:40 - 12:00	Minimally invasive options to treat GERD: Linx Device and TIF	Dr. Hussam Trabulsi, UAE
12:00 - 12:20	Diaphragm paralysis; a multidisciplinary approach	Dr. Pim Welvaart, Netherlands
12:20 - 12:40	Pectus excavatum/carinatum – What's new?	Dr. Shyam Kolvekar, UK
12:40 - 13:00	Chest wall trauma: surgical management of sternal and rib fractures	Dr. Farooq Ahmad Dar, UAE
13:00 - 13:20	Surgical management of chest wall tumors	Dr. Samer Etman, Germany
13:20 - 13:40	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 6 Speakers</b>
13:40 - 14:30	<b>LUNCH BREAK   Exhibition Visit &amp; Networking</b>	

## PARALLEL SESSION 7: Lung transplant & LVRS

SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Andres Obeso, Dr. Mustafa Fawzy & Dr. Mahmoud Yehya

14:30 - 14:55	Launching a new lung transplant program: Success and Challenges	Dr. Mohamed Hussein, KSA
14:55 - 15:20	ECMO and Challenges in Bridging to Transplantation	Dr. Yusuf Barak, UAE
15:20 - 15:45	Living vs. deceased donor lung transplantation	Dr. Satona Tanaka, Japan
15:45 - 16:10	Lung volume reduction surgery: Role of NIVATS in LVRS	Dr. Sridhar Rathinam, UK
16:10 - 16:30	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 7 Speakers</b>
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## SESSION 8: Tracheal and airway disease

SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Mostafa Eldewer, Dr. Omar Al Afeef & Dr. Mohamed Al Ali

16:30 - 16:55	Complex airway surgery and reconstruction	Dr. Ahmed M. Mostafa, Egypt
16:55 - 17:20	Management of trachea-esophageal fistula	Dr. Maninder Singh Kalkat, UK
17:20 - 17:45	Tracheobronchomalacia: Stent vs. Mesh plication	Dr. Nasser Yusuf, UAE
17:45 - 18:10	Airway tumors and use of NiVATS/NiRATS	Dr. Narasimman Sathiamurthy, Malaysia
18:10 - 18:30	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	<b>Session 8 Speakers</b>
<b>18:30</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	