



Davos Course 2026
Advanced Course:
Metabolic Bariatric Surgery Module
Preliminary Scientific Program
11.04. - 14.04.2026

Information on combination of Advanced Course Modules:

Different modules within the Advanced Course can be combined and a reduced fee is available for combined modules.

The Modules Colorectal, HPB and Metabolic Bariatric Surgery take place from Saturday to Tuesday and can be combined with Modules Hernia or Upper GI taking place from Tuesday to Thursday.

In case of any question please contact the organization.

As places are limited in Advanced Course Modules be aware that reservation of your place is only given after payment! Participants who book combined modules will be preferred in case of waiting lists.

SATURDAY, 11.04.2026

**ONLY for Faculty & Instructors, Industry
Hall Davos**

09.00 *Industry Briefing*

**10.00 *Faculty meeting & Instructors briefing (all modules)
Get to know & Teach the teacher***

from 10.45 *Module core Meetings*

Advanced Course: Metabolic Bariatric Surgery Module

10.00 Opening of the Course Secretariat and Registration

11.00 Start Advanced Course Metabolic Bariatric Surgery Module
Room Flüela
- R. Peterli, U. Pfefferkorn

11.15 – 12.30 **Lecture I**
Moderation: R. Peterli, U. Pfefferkorn

Introduction of faculty & participants - U. Pfefferkorn	10 min
Metabolic bariatric surgery (MBS): Historic operations and today's problems of patients who underwent them - P. Salminen	20 min
Mechanisms behind obesity and MBS - R. Peterli	30 min
Medical therapies for obesity, pre – and postoperative - M. Emous	20 min

12.30 – 13.45 **Lunch break**

13.45

DAVOS COURSE OPENING

Hall Davos (all Course Levels)

- W. Brunner, St. Gallen, CH

- L. Fourie, Luzern, CH

14.15 – 16.00

Practical exercises I

Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)

16.00 – 16.30

Break

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

16.30 – 18.30

Lecture II

Room Flüela

Chair: M. Otto, J. Balibrea

What's needed before MBS &
preoperative assessment

- Ch. Rabl

20 min

Video: Roux-Y-gastric bypass (RYGB) Step-by-Step

- J. Balibrea

15 min

Video: One-anastomosis gastric bypass (OAGB)
Step-by-Step

- Ch. Rabl

15 min

Video: Gastric sleeve Step-by- Step

- R. Peterli

15 min

Discussion technical details all procedures

15 min

Interactive Session:

MBS vs. Obesity Management Medications (OMMs)

- M. Otto

30 min

18.30

Welcome Reception

Hall Davos & Foyer

08.00 – 09.30	Practical Exercises Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
09.30 – 10.00	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
10.00 – 11.45	Lecture III Room Flüela	
	Moderation: Ch. Rabl, D. Birk	
	Interactive Discussion: Perioperative Management - D. Pournaras, U. Pfefferkorn	30 min
	Sleeve or Bypass ? - R. Peterli	30 min
	What about OAGB ? - M. Emous	20 min
	Rapid fire Case discussion - M. Felsenreich	20 min
11.45 – 15.15	Lunch break	
15.15 – 17.00	Practical exercises Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
16.45 – 17.15	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
17.15 – 19.15	Split group theory - Complications Room Flüela	
	Moderation: C. Rabl, U. Pfefferkorn	
	Evidence of different limb lengths in MBS - R. Peterli	30 min
	Case Discussion in small groups - Common bile duct stones after RYGB: J. Balibrea - Marginal ulcer: D. Birk - Bypass obstruction: M. Felsenreich - Leak after Sleeve: M. Otto	60 min

08.00 – 09.30	Practical Exercises Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
09.30 – 10.00	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
10.00 – 12.00	Lecture IV Room Flüela	
	Moderation: P. Salminen, D. Pournaras	
	Standardized uniform reporting & endpoints in MBS - P. Salminen	20 min
	Medication to treat recurrent weight gain - D. Pournaras	20 Min
	Endoscopic options for recurrent weight gain - O. Mirko	20 min
	Surgical options for recurrent weight gain - R. Peterli	40 min
	Rapid fire case discussion - M. Felsenreich	20 min

15.00 – 17.00	Practical exercises Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
17.00 – 17.30	Break Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)	
17.30 – 19.15	Lecture V & Case discussion Room Flüela Moderation: P. Salminen, M. Felsenreich	
	Early complications after MBS - D. Birk	30 min
	How to follow up patients after MBS - D. Pournaras	20 min
	Case discussions - Internal hernia: P. Salminen - Intussusception: U. Pfefferkorn - Postbariatric hypoglycemia: M. Felsenreich - Malnutrition: M. Emous	60 min

08.00 – 09.30	Practical Exercises Room Seehorn (see individual schedule)	
09.30 – 12.00	Meet the expert brunch Room Flüela Moderation: R. Peterli, U. Pfefferkorn	
	Hiatal hernia and MBS - D. Birk	30 min
	Gastro-esophageal reflux (GERD) & Barrett's esophagus and MBS - M. Felsenreich	30 min
	Robotics in MBS - J. Balibrea	20 min
	Videosession. Worst complication in MBS - P. Salminen, M. Otto, Ch. Rabl, D. Birk, R. Peterli, J. Balibrea, D. Pournaras, M. Felsenreich, U. Pfefferkorn, M. Emous	60 min
12.00 – 12.30	Advanced Course Closure Metabolic Bariatric Surgery Module Distribution of certificates	