



Davos Course 2026
Intermediate Course
Preliminary Scientific Program
11.04. - 16.04.2026

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

INTERMEDIATE COURSE

11.00 Opening of the Course Secretariat and Registration

13.45 DAVOS COURSE OPENING
Hall Davos (all Course Levels)
 - W. Brunner, St. Gallen, CH
 - L. Fourie, Luzern, CH

14.15 – 16.15 **Joint lecture**
Hall Davos

Moderation: D. Frey, Baden
C. Bruns, Köln

Principles in surgery 20 min
- C. Hamel, Lörrach

Principles in minimally invasive surgery 20 min
- D. Christoforidis, Lugano

Anastomotic techniques 20 min
- B. Weixler, Winterthur

Electrosurgery: mechanism, tips & tricks - O. Buyne, Nijmegen	30 min
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16.15 – 16.45

Break

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

16.45 – 18.45

Practical exercises – Laparoscopic Surgery

Rooms Sanada, Schwarzhorn, Seehorn

Cholangiography

B. Weixler; Rebecca Kraus¹(Winterthur, Chur CH)

Laparoscopic cholecystectomy / Liver Biopsy

B. Weixler; Rebecca Kraus¹(Winterthur, Chur CH)

18.45

Special Lecture & Welcome Reception

Hall Davos & Foyer

SUNDAY, 12.04.2026

INTERMEDIATE

08.00 – 09.30

Lecture

Hall Davos

“Hepatobiliary”

Moderation: C. Bruns, Köln
M. Bolli, Luzern

The difficult gallbladder – bail out strategies
- S. Staubli, London

What the general surgeon should know about liver surgery
- P.A. Clavien

09.30 – 10.00

Break

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

10.00 – 12.00

Practical exercises – Laparoscopic Surgery

Rooms Sanada, Schwarzhorn, Seehorn

Knot pushersDaniel Frey¹; Stephan Bischofberger (¹Baden CH; ²St. Gallen CH)**Surgical knot (Stomach)**Daniel Frey¹; Stephan Bischofberger (¹Baden CH; ²St. Gallen CH)**Intracorporeal knot (stomach)**Daniel Frey¹; Stephan Bischofberger (¹Baden CH; ²St. Gallen CH)

12.00 – 16.15

Lunch break

From 15.30

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

16.15 – 17.15

Interactive Panel discussion

Hall Davos

Clinical scenarios I: decision making
Acute situations in abdominal surgery:

- Moderator: O. Buyne, Nijmegen

- Panelists: C. Bruns, Köln
V. Sallinen, Helsinki
D. Kjaer, Aarhus

Case Presenters: S. Staubli, London
A. Shamiyeh, Linz

17.30 – 19.30

Practical exercises – Laparoscopic Surgery
Rooms Sanada, Schwarzhorn, Seehorn

Intracorporeal running suture

Christian Nebiker; M. Kraljevic (Aarau CH, Basel, CH)

Side-Side Anastomosis (jejuno-jejunostomy lap)

Christian Nebiker; M. Kraljevic (Aarau CH, Basel, CH)

MONDAY, 13.04. 2026

INTERMEDIATE

08.00 – 09.30

Lecture

Hall Davos

“Upper GI”

Moderation: D. Vetter, Zürich
Ch. Bruns, Köln

GERD

- L. Fourie, Luzern

Management of benign lesion

- K. Beyer, Berlin

Esophageal and gastric cancer

- D. Kjaer, Aarhus

09.30 – 10.00

Break

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

10.00 – 12.00

Practical exercises – Laparoscopic Surgery

Rooms Sanada, Schwarzhorn, Seehorn

Laparoscopic Fundoplication

Peter Vogelbach; Lana Fourie (Davos, CH; Luzern CH)

12.00 – 16.00

Lunch break

From 15.30

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

16:00 -17:30**Interactive joint session**

Hall Davos

Moderation: W. Brunner, St. Gallen
D. Christoforidis; Lugano

Children are same, but different - what every general surgeon
should know about pediatric surgery!

- S. Holland-Cunz, Basel

Management of surgical complication and its evidence

Case Presenters:

Ch. Toso, Genf
St. Breitenstein, Winterthur

17.30 – 19.15

Practical exercises – Laparoscopic Surgery
Rooms Sanada, Schwarzhorn, Seehorn

Laparoscopic anterior resection

Christian Krieglstein; Benjamin Weixler (Köln, DE, Winterthur, CH)

Port site closure

Christian Krieglstein; Benjamin Weixler (Köln, DE, Winterthur, CH)

TUESDAY, 14.04. 2026

INTERMEDIATE

08.00 – 09.30

Lecture

Hall Davos

“Life threatening conditions”

Moderation: C. Krieglstein, Köln
B. Weixler, Winterthur

Abdominal trauma
- P. Svehnigsen, Copenhagen

Mesenteric ischemia
- K. Horisberger, Mainz

Metabolic surgery
- D. Frey, Wetzikon

09.30 – 10.00

Break

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

10.00 – 12.00

Practical exercises – Laparoscopic Surgery

Rooms Sanada, Schwarzhorn, Seehorn

Closure of GastrostomyPeter Vogelbach¹; D. Frey (Davos CH; Baden, CH)**Open Cholecystectomy**Peter Vogelbach¹; D. Frey (Davos CH; Baden, CH)

12.00 – 16.30

Lunch break (According to your personal schedule)

From 15.45

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

16.30 – 17.30

Interactive joint Session

Hall Davos

Management of anastomotic leakage and its evidence

Moderation: D. Hahnloser, Lausanne
C. Bruns, Köln

Presenters:

Upper GI:

D. Kjaer, Aarhus

Lower GI:

F. Herbst, Wien

17.45 – 19.45

Practical exercises – Open Surgery
Davos 1/3**Knots, Knotting at depth, instrumental**Daniel Frey¹; Sebastian Staubli²(¹Wetzikon CH; ²London UK)**Continuous suture technique**Daniel Frey¹; Sebastian Staubli²(¹Wetzikon CH; London UK)**Posterior wall mattress and continuous sutures**Daniel Frey¹; Sebastian Staubli²(¹Wetzikon CH; London UK)**Continuous anastomosis E-E**Daniel Frey¹; Sebastian Staubli²(¹Wetzikon CH; London UK)

WEDNESDAY, 15.04. 2026

INTERMEDIATE

08.00 – 09.30

Lecture

Hall Davos

“Colorectal surgery”

Moderation: C. Hamel, Lörrach
K. Horisberger, Mainz

Laparoscopic colorectal surgery
- W. Brunner, St. Gallen

Rectal cancer treatment
- F. Herbst, Wien

Surgical aspects of inflammatory bowel disease
- B. Weixler, Winterthur

09.30 – 10.00

Break

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

10.00 – 12.00

Practical exercises – Open Surgery

Davos 1/3

Stoma placement, Loop ileostomy (Synthetic) Colostomy

Christian Hamel¹; Gerd Silberhumer²(¹Lörrach DE; ²Wien AT)

Closure abdominal wall

Christian Hamel¹; Gerd Silberhumer²(¹Lörrach DE; ²Wien AT)

Anterior resection (by stapler)

Christian Hamel¹; Gerd Silberhumer²(¹Lörrach DE; ²Wien AT)

12.00 – 16.00

Lunch break (According to your personal schedule)

From 15.30

Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

16.00 – 17.00

Acute situations in abdominal surgery: clinical scenarios

Hall Davos

Moderation: F. Herbst, Wien

- Panelists: B. Müller, Basel
C. Williamsson, Lund
P. Svehnigsen, Copenhagen

Case Presenters: B. Weixler, Winterthur
K. Horisberger, Mainz

17.15 – 19.15

Practical exercises – Open Surgery

Davos 1/3

Continuous anastomosis E-E Ileo-ileostomyDaniel Frey¹; Caroline Williamsson²(¹Wetzikon CH; ²Lund SE)**Ileo-transversostomy**Daniel Frey¹; Caroline Williamsson²(¹Wetzikon CH; ²Lund SE)**Continuous anastomosis E-S**Daniel Frey¹; Caroline Williamsson²(¹Wetzikon CH; ²Lund SE)**Cross-section gastroenterostomy**Daniel Frey¹; Caroline Williamsson²(¹Wetzikon CH; ²Lund SE)

THURSDAY, 16.04. 2026

INTERMEDIATE

08.00 – 10.00 **Practical exercises – Open Surgery**
Davos 1/3

[Stapled Oesophago-Jejunostomy](#)

Daniel Frey, Christian Hamel (Baden CH, Lörrach, D)

[Anterior Resection](#)

Daniel Frey, Christian Hamel (Baden CH, Lörrach, D)

10.00 – 10.30 **Break**
Coffee and sweets (trade exhibition)

10.30 – 12.00 **Lecture**
Hall Davos

„Pancreas“

Moderation: C. Williamsson, Lund
St. Breitenstein, Winterthur

Management of acute pancreatitis and its complications
- H.v.Goor, Nijmegen

Pancreatic cancer
- C. Reissfelder, Mannheim

12.00 – 13.00 **Lunch break**

13.00 – 15.00 **Practical exercises – Open Surgery**
Davos 1/3

[Pancreatic anastomosis](#)

Christian Nebiker¹; Beat Müller (¹Aarau CH; ²Basel CH)

[Hepaticojejunostomy](#)

Christian Nebiker¹; Beat Müller (¹Aarau CH; ²Basel CH)

15.00 **End of Intermediate Course**
Feedback & Distribution of certificates
Registration Desk