EURO-NOTES 2011
5th Joint European Notes Workshop

22 – 24 September 2011
Frankfurt am Main, Germany

From Clinical Introduction to established Therapeutic Option
EURO-NOTES 2011

The hype is over — reality and criticism is there. At the same time, first clinical steps have been performed and this quite safely. Most of those, who have invested time and energy and more……, are excited about the idea seeing the perspectives of this new option of minimal invasive surgical and endoscopic therapy. We will meet in Frankfurt to discuss our experience and future projects with medical staff, engineers, administrators and industry.

We are looking forward to welcome you in Frankfurt 2011.

EURO-NOTES is a combined activity of the European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES) and the European Society of Gastro-intestinal Endoscopy (ESGE).

Time and Place
EURO-NOTES 2011 will be held in Frankfurt am Main, Germany from Thursday September 22nd through Saturday September 24th 2011.

Working groups on Thursday 22 September and hands-on program on Saturday 24 September will take place at the:

**AGAPLESION MARKUS KRANKENHAUS**
Wilhelm-Epstein-Str 2
60431 FRANKFURT (MAIN)
GERMANY

All scientific sessions and commercial exhibition on Friday 23 September will be held at the:

**SHERATON FRANKFURT CONGRESS HOTEL**
Lyoner Strasse 44-48
60528 FRANKFURT (MAIN)
GERMANY

Language
The language of the workshop is English.

### Scientific Program:

#### Thursday 22\textsuperscript{th} of September 2011

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**Working group 1:** Transanal procedures

**Coordinator:** A. Meining (Germany)
- Database/Experimental data – A. Meining (Germany)
- Critical issues/First clinical experience – A. Lacy (Spain)
- Clinical Studies – D. Rattner (USA)
- Clinical Perspective – KH. Fuchs (Germany)

**Working group 2:** Transvaginal procedures

**Coordinator:** S. Perretta (France)
- Database/Experimental data – TBA
- Critical issues/First clinical experience – S. Perretta (France)
- Clinical Studies – K. Lehman (Germany)
- Clinical Perspective – C. Zornig (Germany)

**Working group 3:** Transesophageal Procedures

**Coordinator:** D. von Renteln (Germany)
- Database/Experimental data – A. Fritscher-Ravens (Germany)
- Critical issues/First clinical experience – G. Spaun (Germany)
- Clinical Studies – D. von Renteln (Germany)
- Clinical Perspective – T. Rösch (Germany)
Scientific Program:

Friday 23rd September 2011

Location: SHERATON HOTEL – ARABELLA ROOM

08:00 – 09:30 Session 1. Free Papers
Chair: I. Rácz (Hungary)

09:30 – 10:00 COFFEE BREAK

10:00 – 11:30 Session 2. Related Minimal Access Techniques: Endoscopic Closures - Miniinstruments – SILS
Chair: J. Armengol-Miro (Spain); M. Morino (Italy)
- SILS is minimal invasive enought – Why NOTES – H. Weiss/Brunner (Salzburg Austria)
- Endoscopic closures can solve surgical problems – A. Fritscher-Ravens (Germany)
- When is Miniinstruments-Laparoscopy a good option? – W. Breithaupt (Germany)

12:00 – 13:00 Session 3. Summary Working groups
Chair: A. Meining (Germany); G. Fernandez-Esparrach (Spain); KH. Fuchs (Germany)
- Transanal / transcolonic procedures – A. Meining (Germany)
- Transvaginal procedures – S. Perretta (France)
- Transgastric procedures – G. Fernandez-Esparrach (Spain)
- Transesophageal procedures – D. von Renteln (Germany)
- New instruments / Platforms / Robotic – A. Arezzo (Italy)

13:00 – 14:30 LUNCH BREAK AND EXHIBIT

Working group 4: Transgastric procedures
Coordinator: G. Fernandez-Esparrach (Spain)
- Database/Experimental data – P. Fockens (Netherlands)
- Critical issues/First clinical experience – M. van Berge Henegouwen (Netherlands)
- Clinical Studies – G. Fernandez-Esparrach (Spain)
- Clinical Perspective – L. Swanstrom (USA)

Working group 5: New instruments/Platforms/Robotics
Coordinator: A. Arezzo (Italy)
- Database/Experimental data – A. Arezzo (Italy)
- Critical issues/First clinical experience – H. Feussner (Germany)
- Clinical Studies – N. Di Lorenzo (Italy)
- Clinical Perspective – M. Morino (Italy)

17.30 – 19.30 OFFICIAL OPENING
Location: AGAPLESION Markus Krankenhaus
Welcome and introduction lectures:
Achievements over the years
Chair: A. Meining (Germany); A. Fingerhut (France); KH. Fuchs (Germany)
- Introduction – KH. Fuchs (Germany)
- Minimal Access Surgery – A. Fingerhut (France)
- Interventional Endoscopy – H. Neuhaus (Germany)
- NOTES – L. Swanstrom (USA)

19.30 Transfer to the Sheraton Hotel and check in

20.30 EURO-NOTES Welcome Reception at the Sheraton Hotel
14:30 – 16:00  Session 4. EURO-NOTES Awards/Registries/Emerging Technologies
Chair:  A. Fingerhut (France); P. Fockens (Netherlands)
• IRB for emerging technology – D. Rattner (USA)
• The infection-contamination- issue – H. Martiny (Germany)
• Euro-NOTES registry – M. Morino/A. Arezzo (Italy)
• Transanal Hybrid Sigmoid Resection – KH. Fuchs KH (Germany)
• What is the best closure technique? – P. Fockens (Netherlands)
16:00 – 16:30 COFFEE BREAK
16:30 – 18:00  Session 5. Video Demonstrations of Clinical Experience
Chair:  S. Meisner (Denmark); H. Feussner (Germany); A. Lacy (Spain)
• Transesophageal Myotomy for Achalasia – T. Rösch/D. von Renteln (Germany)
• Transanal TME – B. Gayet (France)
• Transanal and transvaginal colorectal surgery – A. Lacy (Spain)
• Transvaginal Cholecystectomy – C. Zornig (Germany)
• Transvaginal Appendectomy – J. Bernhardt (Germany)
• Transgastric combined procedures – A. Meining /H. Feussner (Germany)
• Transgastric Appendectomy – G. Kähler (Germany)

Scientific Program:
Saturday 24th September 2011

08:30 – 12:30  Hands-On courses
Location:  AGAPLESION Markus Krankenhaus
(Restricted number of participants)
1. ESD
Course Coordinator: A. Meining (Germany)
2. TEM/TEO
Course Coordinator: KH. Fuchs (Germany)

FACULTY:
Arezzo A, Italy
Armengol Miro J, Spain
Berge Henegouwen van M, Netherlands
Bernhardt J, Germany
Breitaupt W, Germany
Di Lorenzo N, Italy
Fernandez-Esparrach G, Spain
Feussner H, Germany
Fingerhut A, France
Fockens P, Netherlands
Fritscher-Ravens A, Germany
Fuchs KH, Germany
Gayet B, France
Kähler G, Germany
Lacy A, Spain
Lehmann , Germany
Martiny H, Germany
Meining A, Germany
Meisner S, Denmark
Morino M, Italy
Neuhaus H, Germany
Perretta S, France
Rácó I, Hungary
Rattner D, USA
Rösch T, Germany
Spaun G, USA
Swanstrom L, USA
Weiss H, Austria
Von Renteln D, Germany
Zornig C, Germany
Call for abstracts
You are invited to submit abstracts to the EURO-NOTES 2011 Workshop. Special time slots will be reserved for free paper sessions of maximum 10 oral presentations each on current European research on NOTES. Deadline for abstract submission is 1st of August 2011.

Registration
Delegates are encouraged to register on line. Please refer to: http://congress.eaes.eu/EURONOTES-2011/General-information/Registration.aspx to access the on line registration site and follow instructions or to download a pdf of the registration form.

Payment
Payment should be made in EURO in advance by:

- Bank transfer:
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Holders of Visa or Mastercard may use their credit card. Card number, expiry date, CVC II code, name of card holder with address and signature must be filled in.

Remittances should be free of bank charges to the receiver.
The registration form must indicate the means of payment used. All payment must be clearly marked with the delegate’s name.

Upon receipt of the completed registration form and remittance of the appropriate fees, delegates will be sent a confirmation letter, which should be presented at the registration desk in Barcelona.
Cancellation and Refunds

Notification of cancellation must be sent in writing to the EAES Office. Cancellation will be accepted until August 1, 2011 with a refund of all registration fees less € 35 administration fee. Full registration fee is applicable and no refunds can be made for cancellations after August 1, 2011 or for participants who do not attend. All refunds will be handled after the congress.