



19th EUROPEAN ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY COURSE on congenital heart disease

PRAGUE

September 14th-16th, 2026

Monday, September 14th, 2026

- 08.00 Registration
08.30 Opening remarks

Marek Babjuk, Prague
Jan Marek, London
Folkert Meijboom, Utrecht
Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto

Session I: Segmental approach to normal and abnormal situs

Chair: Folkert Meijboom, Utrecht

- 08.35 Segmental approach to cardiac morphology
09.00 Echocardiographic approach to segmental analysis
09.25 Q&A

Andrew Cook, London
Jan Marek, London

Session II: Atrial septal defects and PAPVD

Chair: Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto

- 09.35 Morphology of ASD and pulmonary veins
10.00 Echocardiography of ASD
10.20 Assessment pulmonary veins, PAPVD & TAPVD
10.40 Q&A
10.50 Coffee break

Andrew Cook, London
Deane Yim, Perth
Leo Lopez, Stanford

Session III: Ventricular septal defects

Chair: Leo Lopez, Stanford

- 11.20 Morphology of ventricular septal defects
11.45 Echocardiography of ventricular septal defects
12.05 Role of echocardiography in decision making and therapeutic approaches to ASD & VSD closure
12.25 Q&A
12.30–13.45 Lunch
13.15–13.45 PHILIPS Mini Symposium NOT ACCREDITED EBAC
Seeing, measuring, understanding: routine AI approach to pediatric function
13.45 GE HEALTHCARE Live scanning Session NOT ACCREDITED EBAC

Andrew Cook, London
Paolo Ciliberti, Rome
Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto
Lucia Deiros Bronte, Madrid
José Luis López Guillén, Madrid
Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto

Session IV: Atrioventricular septal defects

Chair: Jan Marek, London

- 14.15 Morphological aspect of AVSD
14.40 Preoperative assessment
15.00 Surgical AVSD repair
15.15 Q&A
15.25 Coffee break

Andrew Cook, London
Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia
Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee

Session V: Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction and aortic coarctation (case base)

Chair: Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia

- 15.55 Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction
16.10 Complex aortic arch anomalies
16.25 Q&A

Beatrice Bonello, London
Leo Lopez, Stanford

- 16.35–18.05 PHILIPS Hands-On-Tutorial Workshops NOT ACCREDITED EBAC
Echocardiographic assessment of right ventricular volumes and function in paediatric heart disease: a case-based practical clinical approach

Lucia Deiros Bronte, Madrid
José Luis López Guillén, Madrid

Tuesday, September 15th, 2026

Session VI: Tetralogy of Fallot

Chair: Deane Yim, Perth

08.30	Morphology of tetralogy of Fallot	Andrew Cook, London
08.55	Pre-operative assessment of tetralogy of Fallot	Deane Yim, Perth
09.15	Surgical repair of TOF	Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee
09.30	Role of echocardiography after TOF repair	Paolo Ciliberti, Rome
09.50	Q&A	
10.00	Coffee break	

Session VII: Transposition of the great arteries

Chair: Paolo Ciliberti, Rome

10.30	Morphology of transposition	Andrew Cook, London
10.55	Pre-operative assessment	Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia
11.15	Arterial switch operation	Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee
11.30	Post-operative assessment after arterial switch	Beatrice Bonello, London
11.50	Q&A	
12.00 – 13.15	Lunch	
12.45 – 13.15	PHILIPS Mini Symposium <i>NOT ACCREDITED EBAC</i> <i>Seeing the heart in 3D: transforming imaging into procedural insight</i>	Xavier Iriart, Bordeaux
13.15	AI BODY Live scanning Session <i>NOT ACCREDITED EBAC</i> <i>From routine measurements to automated analysis:</i> <i>Case-based 3D echocardiographic modelling in CHD with Nova Heart</i>	Stanislav Ovrutskiy, Florian Groß, Raphael Seiler, Berlin

Session VIII: Diagnostic and therapeutic challenges in complex CHD (case base)

Chair: Beatrice Bonello, London

14.00	Double outlet right ventricle with non-committed VSD	Jan Marek, London
14.20	Unbalanced atrioventricular septal defect	Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia
14.40	Borderline left ventricle	Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto
15.00	Q&A	
15.20	Coffee break	

Session IX: Bad valves in CHD (case base)

Chair: Deane Yim, Perth

15.45	Tricuspid valve	Paolo Ciliberti, Rome
16.00	Pulmonary valve	Deane Yim, Perth
16.15	Q&A	
16.25 – 17.55	PHILIPS Hands-On-Tutorial Workshops <i>NOT ACCREDITED EBAC</i> <i>Insights into 3D transesophageal guidance for percutaneous interventions in congenital heart disease: focus on ASD and VSD closure, SESSION 1</i>	Xavier Iriart, Bordeaux

Wednesday, September 16th, 2026

Session X: Functionally univentricular hearts

Chair: *Leo Lopez, Stanford*

- 08.30 Morphology of functionally univentricular hearts
- 08.55 Pre-operative echocardiography
- 09.15 Surgical strategies in single ventricular palliation
- 09.35 Assessment of bidirectional Glenn and Fontan circulation
- 09.55 Q&A
- 10.15 *Coffee break*

Andrew Cook, London
Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia
Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee
Beatrice Bonello, London

Session XI: Introduction to functional assessment

Chair: *Beatrice Bonello, London*

- 10.45 Practical approach to echocardiographic assessment of LV function
- 11.15 Practical approach to echocardiographic assessment of RV function
- 11.45 Practical approach to functional assessment of mitral and aortic valve function
- 12.10 Q&A
- 12.30 – 13.30 *Lunch*

Luc Mertens, Ottawa
Jan Marek, London
Leo Lopez, Stanford

Session XII: Failing ventricle in CHD -clinical practice (case base)

Chair: *Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia*

- 13.30 Is it coronaries? Ischemia in paediatric heart disease
- 13.50 Is it the electricity? Electro-mechanical dyssynchrony and heart failure
- 14.10 Is it systemic right ventricle? RV dysfunction in CcTGA
- 14.30 Is it systemic single ventricle? Systemic ventricular dysfunction in Fontan circulation
- 14.50 Q&A

Paolo Ciliberti, Rome
Beatrice Bonello, London
Deane Yim, Perth
Leo Lopez, Stanford

Session XIII: Echocardiography in CHD: back to the future

Chairs: *Jan Marek, Folkert Meijboom, Luc Mertens*

- 15.00 Moving from 2D to 3D echocardiography in real time and real life
- 15.20 Faster machines, faster imaging, faster diagnosis
- 15.40 Q&A
- 15.50 – 17.20 PHILIPS Hands-On-Tutorial Workshops *NOT ACCREDITED EBAC*
Insights into 3D transesophageal guidance for percutaneous interventions in congenital heart disease: focus on ASD and VSD closure, SESSION 2
- 17.20 Closing remarks & Adjourn
- 17.35 EBAC evaluation form

Jan Marek, London
Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto

Xavier Iriart, Bordeaux

Jan Marek, Folkert Meijboom, Luc Mertens

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Jan Marek (London), Folkert Meijboom (Utrecht), Luc Mertens (Toronto)

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- coffee breaks and lunches
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- certificate of attendance

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BLUE AUDITORIUM 2nd floor

Social Dinner Location

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