BISMICS

British and Irish Society for Minimally Invasive Cardiac Surgery

PROGRAMME

Monday 7 - Tuesday 8 December 2026
Holiday Inn Bloomsbury, London

Day One: Monday 7 December 2026

08:30	***Registration and Refreshments***
08:55	Welcome
09:00 - 10:40	**SESSION 1: THE NEW ERA OF ROBOTIC CARDIAC SURGERY IS UPON US WITH CE MARKING OF DV5** **Chairs:** Paul Modi & Dincer Aktuerk
09:00	Clipless IMA Harvest
09:15	Robot-Assisted MIDCAB and Hybrid Procedure
09:30	Case-in-a-box: Closed Chest Robotic Mitral Repair
09:45	DaVinci 5
10:00	Organisational Culture Team Familiarity and Non-Technical Skills As Determinants Of Successful Robotic Cardiac Surgery Implementation
10:15	Robotic mitral valve surgery- my 10 best tips and tricks to set yourself up for success
10:30	*Discussion and Questions*
10:40 - 11:00	***Refreshment Break and Visit the Exhibition***
11:00 - 12:00	**SESSION 2: AF AND CONVERSION** **Chairs:** Tony De Souza & Aziz Momin
11:00	Thoracoscopic AF Ablation as Easy As ABC
11:10	HALT AF Trial
11:20	Left Appendage Management in 2027
11:30	The AF Patient of Tomorrow
11:40	*Discussion and Questions*
12:00 - 12:45	**SESSION 3: POSTER COMP** **Chairs:** Ishtiaq Ahmed, Joy Edlin, Shantanu Sinha & Vivek Srivastava
12:45 - 13:30	***Lunch and Visit the Exhibition***
13:30 - 15:10	**SESSION 4: ERAS** **Chairs:** Enoch Akowuah & Ken Palmer
13:30	MICS and ERACS: Natural partners?
13:50	How To Build an ERAS Programme Around an Active MICS Programme
14:10	On Table Extubation – What Is the Evidence and How to Do It?
14:30	Cardiac Prehabilitation and How to Start in A Cash Strapped NHS?
14:50	*Discussion and Questions - Going forward: ERACS As the Default Standard?*
13:30 - 15:05	**PART 1: SCP AND NURSES FOCUSED SESSION - PARALLEL SESSION** **Chairs:** Alistair Marshall, Marina Petranovic & Bhuvaneswari Krishnamoorthy
13:30	Welcome and Introduction to the Session
13:35	From Vision to Delivery: Developing A Mini- Mitral Programme Through Service Innovation, Multidisciplinary Collaboration and Nursing Leadership
14:00	Personal Experience from the Audience
14:10	The SCP Role Within Robotic Cardiac Surgery
14:30	Managing Bleeding Risk in EVH: Lessons from a Challenging Case
14:50	*Discussion and Questions*

15:05 - 15:30	***Refreshment Break and Visit the Exhibition***
15:30 - 17:00	**SESSION 5: AORTIC VALVE DISEASE – PARALLEL SESSION – MAIN MEETING ROOM** **Chairs:** Cesare Quarto & Max Baghai
15:30	Transaxillary Should Be Standard Approach
15:45	Minimally Invasive Approach for Proximal Aortic Surgery
16:00	FFTs via Mini Sternotomy
16:15	**DEBATE**: Aortic Regurgitation- Future Therapy
16:45	*Discussion and Questions*
15:30 - 17:00	**PART 2: SCP AND NURSES FOCUSED SESSION - PARALLEL SESSION** **Chairs:** Alistair Marshall, Minija Joseph & Nisha Nair
15:30	EVH Training Route: Industry or In-house?
15:50	SCP Led femoral percutaneous cannulation
16:10	From Camera Piloting to Minimally Invasive Cardiac Surgery: Leveraging EVH and Robotic First-Assisting Skills in Mini-Mitral Surgery
16:30	How Neuroscience can inform EVH training
16:50	*Discussion and Questions*
17:00 - 18:00	**DEVELOPING SKILLS IN MICS AND TRAINING - HANDS-ON SIMULATORS**
18:00 - 22:00	**CONFERENCE DINNER**
18:00	Drinks Reception
19:00	**PRE-DINNER PRESENTATION**
19:30	Multimedia Competition Winner Announcement
19:35	Conference Dinner

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08:55	Welcome Back
09:00 - 10:30	**SESSION 5: LIVE MDT - WHERE CARDIOLOGY MEETS SURGERY – TAVI AND TEER** **Chairs:** Ishtiaq Ahmed and Alessia Rossi
09:00	Case One
09:30	Case Two
10:00	Case Three
10:30 - 11:00	***Refreshment Break and Visit the Exhibition***
11:00 - 13:30	**SESSION 6: MITRAL VALVE** **Chairs:** Gianluca Lucchese, Ranjit Deshpande & Rashmi Yadav
11:00	Transaxillary Mitral Surgery
11:20	Tips & Tricks for Minimally Invasive Mitral Surgery
11:40	Pushing the Boundaries of Endoscopic Mitral Valve Repair (Septal Resection)
12:00	Cracking the Calcium: Hybrid Solutions for Mitral Annular Calcification
12:20	Redo Endoscopic Mitral Surgery: Strategies for Success
12:40	Planning & Selection of Robotic Mitral Cases
13:00	Should NeoChord Be Standard of Care
13:10	*Discussion and Questions*
13:30 - 14:30	***Lunch and Visit the Exhibition***
14:30 - 15:00	**DEBATE: ENDOSCOPIC vs. ROBOTIC**
14:30	Why I do not need the robot Why I need the robot
15:00 - 16:00	**DEVELOPING SKILLS IN MICS AND TRAINING - HANDS-ON SIMULATORS**
16:00	Close of meeting