

First Day

1st March, 2018

08:30 - 08:35	Opening of the Conference	Mohammed Al Shorafa
Opening Lecture		
08:35 - 08:50	The NOTES Revolution: From Transvaginal to TAMIS, TME, POEM and Transoral Thyroidectomy	Ricardo Zorron
SESSION 1: Interdisciplinary Oncology and Onco-Surgery		
Chairpersons: Norbert Dreier, Sadir Jumaa Alrawi		
08:50 - 09:05	Advances in esophageal surgery in view of concurrent chemo-radiation	Ali Al Dameh
09:05 - 09:20	Lung cancer staging - State of the Art	Sherif Fayed
09:20 - 09:35	Lung cancer outcomes in Era of Multimodal therapy	Ali Al Dameh
09:35 - 09:50	Perspectives on immunotherapy for lung cancer	Norbert Dreier
09:50 - 10:05	Ultraradical interdisciplinary Ovarian Cancer Surgery – Lessons learned over the past 10 years	Ahmed El-Balat
10:05 - 10:15	Discussion	
10:15 - 10:30 Coffee Break		
Official Inauguration		
10:30 - 11:00	His Excellency Sheikh Nahayan Mabarak Al-Nahayan, Minister of Culture, Youth & Community Development	
SESSION 2: Interdisciplinary Thoracic Surgery and MIS Urology		
Chairpersons: Ali Al Dameh, Hilal Matta		
11:00 - 11:15	Key Note Lecture: Innovations in Interventional Radiology	Hicham Abada
11:15 - 11:30	Interventional approaches as alternative to thoracic surgery	Hicham Abada
11:30 - 11:45	Unlimited Pediatric Thoracoscopic Procedures, What we can do?	Adel Ali Al Junaibi
11:45 - 12:00	CO ₂ -pneumoperitoneum and port-site cancer metastasis-A myth?	Ospan Mynbaev
12:00 - 12:15	Advance in MIS Pediatric Urology. Where do we stand?	Adel Ali Al Junaibi
12:15 - 12:30	Minimally invasive management of Pelvi-Ureteric obstruction in Infants & children	Hilal Matta, Moustafa Hamchou
12:30 - 12:45	Nephrectomy: Retroperitoneoscopic vs Transperitoneoscopic	Adel Ali Al Junaibi
12:45 - 13:00	Discussion	
13.00 - 14:00 Prayer and Lunch break		

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SESSION 3: Interdisciplinary Laparoscopic Upper GI Surgery I
Chairpersons: Thomas Rösch, Adel Ali Al Junaibi

14:00 - 14:15	Key Note Lecture: Innovations in Interventional Endoscopy	Thomas Rösch
14:15 - 14:30	New Approaches to Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease	Anna Dupree
14:30 - 14:45	Congenital Morgagni Hernia: The Laparoscopic Approach	Ahmed H. Al Salem, Hilal Matta
14:45 - 14:55	Achalasia in pediatric age group – Laparoscopic management	Moustafa Hamchou, Khalid Al-Harbi & Hilal Matta
14:55 - 15:05	Per-Oral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM) - State-of-the-Art	Thomas Rösch
15:05 - 15:20	Discussion	

SESSION 4: Interdisciplinary Laparoscopic Upper GI Surgery II
Chairpersons: Abdelrahman Nimeri, Anna Dupree

15:20 - 15:30	Metabolic surgery for type II DM	Abdelrahman Nimeri
15:30 - 15:40	New Endoscopic and Surgical Bariatric Methods	Ricardo Zorron
15:40 - 15:50	Sleeve Gastrectomy in children and adolescence. The UAE experience	Moustafa Hamchou, Hilal Matta
15:50 - 16:00	Bariatric surgery improves quality of life and maintains nutritional status of older obese patients	Elie Chouillard
16:00 - 16:15	Discussion	

16:15 - 16:30 Coffee break

SESSION 5: Interdisciplinary Laparoscopic Upper GI Surgery III
Chairpersons: Oliver Mann, Ahmed H. Al Salem

16:30 - 16:45	Key Note Lecture: Evolution of robotic surgery: multiport, single port, flexible, innovative robots.	Antonello Forgione
16:45 - 16:55	Laparoscopic Duodenal Atresia Repair, Make it Easy approach?	Adel Ali Al Junaibi
16:55 - 17:05	The role of minimally invasive surgery in pancreatic tumors	Oliver Mann
17:05 - 17:15	Laparoscopic Kasai Porto-Enterostomy for management of biliary atresia. Where do we stand?	Mohamed E Hassan
17:15 - 17:25	Choledochal Cysts - Review & Laparoscopic management	Moustafa Hamchou, Khalid Al-Harbi & Hilal Matta
17:25 - 17:35	Laparoscopic Splenectomy - The Procedure of Choice for Children with Hematological Disorders	Ahmed H. Al Salem
17:35 - 17:50	Discussion	

SESSION 6: Interdisciplinary Laparoscopic Lower GI Surgery
Chairpersons: Ahmed Abdel Samie-Huber, Mohamed E. Hassan

17:50 - 18:00	Colonic diverticular disease: a worldwide growing problem and the evolution of its surgical management	Antonello Forgione
18:00 - 18:10	Laparoscopically Assisted Single Port Hartmann's Reversal is an efficacious and efficient procedure: A case control study	Elie Chouillard
18:10 - 18:20	Stapled Trans-Anal Rectal Resection (STARR) for rectal prolapse and obstructed defecation syndrome (ODS)	Valentina Giaccaglia
18:20 - 18:30	Laparoscopic Repair of Bowel Perforation in Preterm and Neonates - How feasible and safe is it?	Adel Ali Al Junaibi
18:30 - 18:40	Video Assisted Anal Fistula Treatment (VAAFT)	Valentina Giaccaglia
18:40 - 19:00	Discussion	

19:00 Closure of day 1

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08:30 - 08:45	Key Note Lecture: Surgical Education and Training: Past, Present and Future	Salman Guraya
SESSION 7: MIS in IVF & Fetoscopy Chairpersons: Walid Sayed, Sinha Rooma		
08:45 - 08:55	The role of Minimal Access Surgery in Assisted Reproduction	Elsamawal El Hakim
08:55 - 09:05	Ovarian primordial follicle retention and manipulation	Ioannis Kosmas
09:05 - 09:15	Fertility Enhancing Surgeries - Role of Minimally invasive surgery	Sinha Rooma
09:15 - 09:25	Clinical complication in Assisted Reproduction Technologies	Ioannis Kosmas
09:25 - 09:35	Hypercoagulability and IVF - Fatality or futility?	Stella Salta
09:35 - 09:45	Experiences of a starting Fetal Medicine Service in Abu Dhabi	Werner Diehl
09:45 - 10:00	Discussion	
10:00 - 10:30 Coffee break		
SESSION 8: Natural Orifice Transluminal Endoscopic Surgery (NOTES) Chairpersons: Ricardo Zorron, Elie Chouillard		
10:30 - 10:45	Intrauterine surgery - Possibilities and limitations	Werner Diehl
10:45 - 11:00	Short and long-term results after Transvaginal Hybrid-NOTES cholecystectomy (pain/sexuality/pregnancy)	Dirk Bulian
11:00 - 11:10	Transvaginal NOTES cholecystectomy versus classic laparoscopic cholecystectomy: Results from Abu Dhabi	Isabel Benhidjeb & Tahar Benhidjeb
11:10 - 11:25	Colorectal Hybrid-NOTES procedures: Results of the German NOTES-Registry and a first comparative study in diverticulitis	Dirk Bulian
11:25 - 11:40	Pure NOTES Total Mesorectal Excision (TME) for patients with rectal neoplasia	Elie Chouillard
11:40 - 11:50	Influence of obesity on short-term results after transvaginal hybrid NOTES cholecystectomy	Dirk Bulian
11:50 - 12:00	Is there any impact of Laparoscopy, NOTES and Robot-assisted surgery on post surgical adhesions?	Tatiana Babenko & Ospan A Mynbaev
12:00 - 12:15	Discussion	
12:15 - 13:00 Prayer and Lunch break		
SESSION 9: Thyroid/Parathyroid - Prerequisites Chairpersons: Ralph Tufano, Sadir Alrawi		
13:00 - 13:15	Key Note Lecture: From Theodor Kocher to transoral thyroidectomy	Tahar Benhidjeb
13:15 - 13:30	Pre-operative care of the thyroidectomy patient: pathways, challenges and pitfalls from the endocrinologist's perspective	Thomas Kunt
13:30 - 13:45	Intraoperative Neuromonitoring (IONM) in Thyroid Surgery: Is it Evidence-Based? Is it Cost-Effective?	TBC
13:45 - 14:00	Medico-legal issues for IONM	TBC
14:00 - 14:15	IONM application in the UAE - Clinical and legal aspects in the UAE	Rolf Hartung
14:15 - 14:30	IONM: Continuous? External branch of the superior laryngeal nerve? More?	TBC
14:30 - 14:45	The art of parathyroid surgery	Sadir Alrawi
14:45 - 15:00	Discussion	
15:00 - 15:15 Coffee Break		

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SESSION 10: Perioperative aspects in minimally-invasive thyroid surgery

Chairpersons: Angkoon Anuwong, TBC

15:15 - 15:30	Essential Elements of the 2015 ATA Guidelines and Their Impact on Trans-oral Thyroidectomy	Ralph Tufano
15:30 - 15:45	Pre- and postoperative patient care for transoral thyroidectomy	Angkoon Anuwong
15:45 - 16:00	Anatomical aspects in minimally-invasive thyroid surgery	Kai Witzel
16:00 - 16:15	Transoral thyroidectomy – Technique/ Video	Angkoon Anuwong
16:15 - 16:30	Safety of robotic thyroidectomy approaches: meta-analysis and systematic review	Ralph Tufano
16:30 - 16:45	The future of thyroid surgery: Still more?	TBC
16:45 - 17:00	Discussion	

SESSION 11: Transoral thyroidectomy – Experience and Results...

Chairpersons: Rolf Hartung, Kai Witzel

17:00 - 17:15	... from Asia	Angkoon Anuwong
17:15 - 17:30	... from Europe	Kai Witzel
17:30 - 17:45	... from USA and South-America	Ralph Tufano
17:45 - 18:00	Discussion	

18:00 Closure of the Conference