

# 14<sup>th</sup> FRIENDS international course on Minimally Invasive Skull base Anatomy. Approaches and Microsurgical techniques

13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> June 2026

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## REGISTRATION FEE

€ 2.150,00 VAT INCLUDED

REDUCTION FEE FOR EANS MEMBERS - € 1.800,00 VAT INCLUDED

## REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES

NR. 3 NIGHTS IN HOTEL\*\*\*\* (INCLUDING BREAKFAST)

ON 12, 13 AND 14 JUNE

NR. 2 DINNERS IN TYPICAL RESTAURANTS WITH TRANSFER SERVICE

ON 13 AND 14 JUNE

CATERING SERVICES DURING THE COURSE

SURGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL

NR. 1 SPECIMEN (EVERY TWO ATTENDES)

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE

INSURANCE

## HOW TO REACH THE CONGRESS VENUE

The course will be held at

ICLO Teaching and Research Center San Francesco di Sales

Via E. Torricelli, 15/a - 37135 Verona

## BY CAR

From the Motorway take the Verona Sud exit and follow the direction for Via Flavio Gioia, keep right, turn slightly left and take Via Delle Nazioni. Turn left in Via Torricelli.

## FROM THE TRAIN STATION

It takes 10 minutes by taxi (045 532666) or 18 minutes by bus, taking the n. 61 from Alpo-Via Don Melotti (tickets and information Azienda Trasporti Verona Srl - 045 805 7922)

## FROM VALERIO CATULLO AIRPORT IN VERONA

Proceed in direction South, take the Tangenziale Sud and take the exit 6-Alpo, turn left in Strada dell'Alpo in direction Verona center, after about 2 km turn right in Via Torricelli.

## QR POSITION



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## COURSE VENUE

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## SATURDAY JUNE 13, 2026

### The Pterional and Mini-pterional Approaches (right side)

- 07.45-08.00** Registration
- 08:00-09:30** Lectures: Microsurgical anatomy and Technical Aspects
- 08:00** Positioning of the patient. Skin incision. One / two-layer skin flaps. Bone flap. Handling of the frontal sinus
- 08:30** The Sylvian fissure and basal cisterns: Microsurgical anatomy and techniques
- 08.45** Basic drilling techniques.
- 09:30-10.15** Demo dissection: Pterional craniotomy and clinoidectomy, anterior cavernous sinus exposure and dissection
- 10:15-13:00** Laboratory dissections
- 13:00-13:45** Working lunch and summary of the morning session

### The Lateral Supraorbital - Subfrontal Approach (left side)

- 14:00-14:30** Lectures: Microsurgical anatomy and Principles of the supraorbital approach. Layering of the patient, placing bur-holes, craniotomies, handling the sinus, opening the dura, handling of bridging veins
- 14:30-15:00** Demo dissection: The supraorbital approach
- 15:00-17:00** Laboratory dissections
- 17:00** Summary of afternoon session
- 18:00** The Special Guest official lecture in the conference room of the Hotel
- 19:00** Informal Dinner

## SUNDAY JUNE 14, 2026

### The Subtemporal Approach

- 08:00-09:00** Lectures: Technical aspects. Clinical use of the sub temporal approach. Layering of the patient. Skin incision. Bone flap. Microsurgical anatomy
- 09:00-10:00** Demo dissection: sub temporal approach: incision, craniotomy, exposure and cutting of tentorium, brainstem, cranial nerves and arteries exposure
- 10:00-12:30** Laboratory dissections
- 13:00-13:45** Working Lunch and summary of the morning session

### The Parasagittal Approach

- 13:00-14:00** Lectures
  - Microsurgical anatomy and Principles of the Parasagittal Approach. Layering of the patient, placing bur-holes, craniotomies, handling the sinus, opening the dura, handling of bridging veins.
  - Transcallosal approach to lateral and third ventricles. Overview of intraventricular pathologies
- 14:30-15:00** Demo dissection: Parasagittal Approach
- 15:00-17:00** Laboratory dissections
- 17:00** Summary of afternoon session
- 18:00** The Honoured Guest official lecture in the conference room of the Hotel
- 19:00** Formal Dinner and distribution of certificates

## MONDAY JUNE 15, 2026

### The Lateral Suboccipital (Retrosigmoid) Approach

- 08:00-09:00** Lectures
- 08:00-08:20** Microsurgical anatomy and principles of the Lateral Suboccipital Approach: Layering of the patient, bur-holes, craniotomy, handling of the sinus, opening the dura, decompression by CSF-release
- 08:20-08:40** Clinical use of the Lateral Suboccipital Approach and pathologies in the CPA angle, including supracerebellar-infratentorial paramedian and lateral exposures
- 08:40-09:00** Minimal approach to craniocervical junction, including removal of C1-arch - midline
- 09:00-09:30** Demo dissection:
  1. lateral suboccipital approach, exposure of CPAngle, including lateral and paramedian supracerebellar.
  2. midline minimal approach to CCJ with removal of the arch of C1
- 09:30-13:00** Laboratory dissections:
- 09:30-11:30** Lateral suboccipital approach (retrosigmoid)
- 11:30-13:00** Minimal midline approach to CCJ
- 13:00** Course summary and general discussion

### Course Directors

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Dept of Neurosurgery Carlos Haya  
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### International Honoured Guest

**Marcos Tatagiba, Univ. Prof. Dr. med.**  
Chairman and Director  
Department of Neurosurgery  
University of Tübingen, Germany

### Special Guest

**Peter A. Winkler, Univ. Prof. Dr. med.**  
Emeritus Professor and Chairman Neurosurgery  
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Honorary President of the Salzburg Medical Society  
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