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## THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19. 2026 | THE HANDS-ON LOUNGE (PRECOURSE)

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|---|---|
| 17:00 – 19:00. | **The Hands-On Lounge**<br>Limited access - only with prior registration. |
| 17:00 | **Imaging in CHIP & CTO PCI**<br>R. Diletti, Amsterdam |
| 17:30 | **Hands-on Imaging** |
| 18:00 | **Wire skills in CHIP & CTO PCI**<br>S. Pyxaras, Fürth |
| 18:30 | **Hands-on Wiring** |

## FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20. 2026 | DAY 1

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| 08:30 – 08:45 | **Welcome**<br>K. Mashayekhi, Lahr/Schwarzwald; S. Pyxaras, Fürth; H. Rittger, Fürth |
| 08:45 – 11:00 | **LIVE SESSION 1**<br>Chair: K. Mashayekhi, Lahr/Schwarzwald \| Co-chair: S. Pyxaras, Fürth \| Panel: R. Diletti, Amsterdam; A. Erglis, Riga; F. Woitek, Dresden |
| 08:45 | **Live Case 1 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 1**<br>B. Iqbal, Victoria; M. Eltarahony, Weiden |
| 09:00 | **Live Case 2 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 2**<br>A. Kalyanasundaram; A. Kalnins, Riga<br>In between: Presentations – STATE-OF-THE-ART SESSION |
| 09:15 | **Key-Note Lecture:**<br>**The Future of complex coronary percutaneous intervention**<br>R. Diletti, Amsterdam |
| 09:30 | **HDR masterclass: tips & pitfalls**<br>B. Iqbal, Victoria |
| 09:45 | **Debate: Do we really need LV-support in CHIP/CTO-PCI?**<br>Pro: M. Ayoub, Bad Oeynhausen \| Contra: F. Woitek, Dresden |
| 10:20 | **Ethic considerations and everyday dilemmas in CHIP-PCI**<br>H. Rittger, Fürth<br>... regular live connections to the cathlabs take place between presentations. |
| 11:00 | **Coffee Break** |
| 11:30 – 14:00 | **LIVE SESSION 2**<br>Chair: A. Erglis, Riga \| Co-chair: L. Bryniarski, Kraków \| Panel: D. Sondore, Rīga; T. Sturmberger, Linz; M. Zaczkiewicz, Lahr/Schwarzwald |
| 11:30 | **Live Case 3 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 1**<br>S. Pyxaras, Fürth; N. Albayrak, Berlin |
| 11:45 | **Live Case 4 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 2**<br>G. Leibundgut, Basel; D. Weilenmann, St. Gallen<br>Intermezzo: CASES IN THE BOX – The fast & the furious<br>**Case 1**<br>M. Zaczkiewicz, Lahr/Schwarzwald<br>**Case 2**<br>M. Levin, Johannesburg<br>**Case 3**<br>D. Sondore, Rīga |
| 13:45 | **The CTO-Sensei Mindset – procedural success & complication management**<br>E. Brilakis, Minneapolis \| Online<br>... regular live connections to the cathlabs take place between presentations. |
| 14:00 | **Lunch Break & Visit the Exhibition** |
| 15:00 – 18:00 | **LIVE SESSION 3**<br>Chair: H. Rittger, Fürth \| Co-chair: G. Olivecrona, Lund \| Panel: T. Szuk, Debrecen; F. Woitek, Dresden; M. Behnes, Mannheim |
| 15:00 | **Live Case 5 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 1**<br>M. Ayoub, Bad Oeynhausen; J. Avramovič, Izola |
| 15:15 | **Live Case 6 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 2**<br>K. Mashayekhi, Lahr/Schwarzwald; L. Bryniarski, Kraków<br>In between: Presentations – THE CALCIUM PATHWAY |
| 15:30 | **My imaging interpretation: Phenotypes and therapeutic consequences**<br>G. Olivecrona, Lund |
| 15:45 | **My toolbox: how do I crack calcium**<br>T. Szuk, Debrecen |
| 16:00 | **Severely calcified CHIP & CTOs: a Consensus Proposal**<br>S. Pyxaras, Fürth<br>... regular live connections to the cathlabs take place between presentations. |
| 18:00 | **Wrap-up of the Day** |
| 18:05 | **Get-Together** |
| 18:15 – 19:15 | **Modern PCI: IVUS in real life by Boston Scientific**<br>R. Hemetsberger, Vienna (Registration for Workshop required) |

## SATURDAY NOVEMBER 21. 2026 | DAY 2

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| 08:30 – 10:30 | **LIVE SESSION 4**<br>Chair: S. Pyxaras, Fürth \| Co-chair: A. Geppert, Wien \| Panel: A. Geppert, Wien; D. Sondore, Rīga; P. Agostoni, Antwerp |
| 08:30 | **Live Case 7 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 1**<br>R. Garbo, Torino; A. Kolesnikov, Almaty |
| 08:45 | **Live Case 8 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 2**<br>Ö. Göktekin, Istanbul; P. Agostoni, Antwerp<br>In between: Presentations – COMPLICATIONS |
| 09:00 | **My biggest nightmare (and how did I wake up) – Vol. 1**<br>G. Gavrielatos, Piraeus |
| 09:15 | **My biggest nightmare (and how did I wake up) – Vol. 2**<br>M. Sinani, Suhl |
| 09:30 | **My complication toolbox**<br>A. Geppert, Wien<br>...regular live connections to the cathlabs take place between presentations.<br>Live connection to Live Cases 7/8 |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | **Coffee Break** |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | **LIVE SESSION 5 – THE FUTURE IS NOW**<br>Chair: Ö. Göktekin, Istanbul \| Co-chair: P. Knaapen, Amsterdam \| Panel: S. Pyxaras, Fürth; M. Behnes, Mannheim; G. Leibundgut, Basel |
| 11:00 | **Live Case 9 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 1**<br>P. Knaapen, Amsterdam; M. Zaczkiewicz, Lahr/Schwarzwald |
| 11:20 | **Leave Nothing Behind!**<br>T. Rissanen, Joensuu |
| 11:20 | **Leave Less Behind!**<br>G. Leibundgut, Basel |
| 11:40 | **DCBs in challenging lesions: are we ready for prime time?**<br>M. Behnes, Mannheim<br>**LIVE-in-a-Box: DCB case & discussion**<br>S. Pyxaras, Fürth |
| 12:30 – 14:00 | **Lunch Break & Visit the Exhibition** |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | **LIVE SESSION 6**<br>Chair: G. Leibundgut, Basel \| Co-chair: R. Hemetsberger, Vienna \| Panel: K. Mashayekhi, Lahr/Schwarzwald; D. Weilenmann, St. Gallen; R. Hemetsberger, Vienna |
| 14:00 | **Live Case 10 – Case presentation and live connection with Cathlab 2**<br>A. Geppert, Wien; D. Sondore, Rīga<br>SESSION 6 (in parallel with Live Session 6)<br>In between: Presentations – A) WIRING SKILLS |
| 14:50 | **Contemporary STAR**<br>K. Mashayekhi, Lahr/Schwarzwald |
| 15:30 | **Is wiring teachable?**<br>R. Hemetsberger, Wien<br>In between: Presentations – B) CHALLENGING ANATOMIES<br>**Epicardial collaterals: when and how?**<br>P. Agostoni, Antwerp<br>**Contemporary ADR: how to avoid dangerous collateral tracking**<br>D. Weilenmann, St. Gallen<br>**CTO-PCI in post-CABG patients**<br>P. Knaapen, Amsterdam<br>...regular live connections to the cathlabs take place between presentations.<br>Live connection to Live Case 10 |
| 16:00 | **Wrap-up of the Conference**<br>K. Mashayekhi, Lahr/Schwarzwald; S. Pyxaras, Fürth; H. Rittger, Fürth |

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