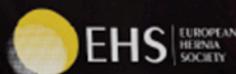


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# WELCOME MESSAGE

## & INVITATION TO SUBMIT

The Scientific Committee of the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual International Congress of the EHS, to be held in Porto, Portugal, in June 2026, warmly invites all surgeons, researchers, and healthcare professionals involved in hernia and abdominal wall surgery to submit their work for presentation at the congress.

We encourage submissions that reflect the diversity and dynamism of our field – from clinical studies and basic science to innovation, education, and surgical videos.

Accepted abstracts will be presented as oral communications, e-posters, or video presentations, and will be published in the official EHS 2026 Congress Abstract Book.

Join us in shaping the scientific excellence of EHS 2026 in the vibrant and historic city of Porto – a congress not to be missed!

## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE</b>	<b>JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 2026 (23:59 GMT)</b>
<b>NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE / REJECTION</b>	<b>EARLY MARCH</b>
<b>LATE OR INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.</b>	

# 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1 - All abstracts must be submitted in **English** via the **official online submission portal** (more info at [ehsporto2026.com](https://ehsporto2026.com));
- 2 - Submissions are welcome under the following categories:
  - Oral Communicartions**
  - E.Posters**
  - Video Presentations**
- 3 - Abstracts must describe **original, unpublished work** relevant to hernia and abdominal wall surgery.
- 4 - The **presenting author** must ensure that all co-authors approve the submission and its final version.
- 5 - The **Scientific Committee** reserves the right to decide on acceptance, presentation format as an oral, e-poster or video, as well session allocation.
- 6 - All **presenting authors** are required to register for the full Congress.
- 7 - Ensure that your abstract is grammatically correct and free of typographical errors.
- 8 - If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation, it means we have no record of your submission. If you are sure that you made a submission, check the e-mail address that you used to make your submission or contact the secretariat.
- 9 - Generic names must be used for all references to products or companies. Brand names may be inserted as a reference at the bottom of the abstract page. Papers containing company names or brand names in the abstract text may be rejected. The Scientific Committee reserves the right to replace any brand name with a generic name without further notice.
- 10 - Minor editorial corrections may be made by the Scientific Committee to ensure clarity and consistency. No major alterations to data, conclusions, or authorship will be allowed after acceptance.

# 2.

## ABSTRACT FORMAT AND STRUCTURE

### 2.1 – TITLE AND AUTHORS

- Provide a clear and concise title without abbreviations. Avoid abbreviations in the title.
- Titles shall be as brief and concise as possible, but with enough detail to ensure a clear understanding of the study context.
- List all authors with names, institutional affiliations, city, and country.
- Identify one **presenting author**, whose email will serve as the primary contact.

### 2.2 – TEXT STRUCTURE

Abstracts must be organized under the following headings:

- **Aim:** Clearly state the purpose.
- **Material & Methods:** Clearly describe your selection of observations or experimental subjects.
- **Results:** Results shall be presented in a logical sequence.
- **Conclusion:** Emphasize new and important aspects, perhaps as a discussion section, along with corresponding conclusions.
- Statements such as, “results will be discussed” or “data will be presented,” will not be accepted.

### 2.3 – WORD LIMIT

- Maximum **250 words** (excluding title, authors, and affiliations).
- Do not include tables, figures, or references.
- Define abbreviations at first mention.

### 2.4 – KEYWORDS AND TOPIC SELECTION

- Select one **main topic** from the official Congress list (e.g. inguinal hernia, ventral/incisional hernia, parastomal hernia, hiatal hernia, robotics, biomechanics, education, etc.).
- Include **3–5 keywords**.

# 3.

## PRESENTATION FORMATS

### 3.1 – ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- Abstracts selected for oral presentation will be scheduled within scientific sessions.
- Presenters must attend in person.
- Typical duration: **7 minutes presentation + 3 minutes discussion.**

### 3.2 – VIDEO PRESENTATIONS

- The Video should be uploaded in the abstract submission system, and must be accompanied by a written abstract (structured as above).
- Authors may submit videos (3–5 minutes) illustrating surgical techniques, approaches, or innovative procedures.
- Presenters may be invited to participate in moderated video sessions.
- Video Max. Duration: 7 minutes
- Video Link

### 3.3 – E.POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- Accepted e-posters will be displayed digitally.
- Technical specifications (format, resolution, dimensions) will be provided after acceptance.
- Authors are expected to be available during poster viewing sessions.

# 4.

## REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

- All abstracts will be peer-reviewed anonymously by members of the EHS Scientific Committee.
- Evaluation criteria include:
  - Originality and innovation
  - Scientific and methodological quality
  - Clinical relevance
  - Clarity and organization of the abstract
- The Committee may reassign abstracts to a different format (oral, poster, or video) as appropriate.
- There are three categories of presentations available – oral, video, or e-poster. Presentation slots are limited. Therefore, some abstracts may be re-allocated from oral to poster presentation.
- The Scientific Committee's decision is **final**.
- Please note, an abstract may be scheduled for presentation on any day of the conference.

# 5.

## CONFIRMATION, REGISTRATION, AND WITHDRAWAL

- Presenting authors of accepted abstracts must confirm acceptance and complete registration by the announced deadline.
- Failure to register will result in the withdrawn of the abstract from the scientific programme.
- Withdrawal of abstracts will only be accepted if notification is provided to EHS Porto 2026 in writing and subsequently confirmed by the Conference Secretariat. Withdrawal of an abstract is only possible up to 14 days after notification acceptance.

# 6.

## PUBLICATION AND COPYRIGHT

- All accepted abstracts will be published in the EHS 2026 **Abstract Book** (digital format).
- By submitting, authors grant the European Hernia Society the right to publish, reproduce, and distribute their abstract (online and in print).
- Authors retain copyright but grant a non-exclusive license to the Congress organizers.
- Conflicts of interest and funding sources must be disclosed at the time of submission.

# 7.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

- For questions regarding abstract submission, please contact:
- EHS 2026 Congress Secretariat

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