

Registration

Please register online at:
www.uniportalvats.de

Registration Deadline: June 1st, 2025

Full course: July 10th-12th 2025
Lectures, live surgery, drylab and wetlab
Course fee: 1.800,- €
(only 22 places available)

Two-day course: July 10th-11th 2025
Lectures, live surgery and drylab
Course fee: 550,- €
(for medical residents 350,-€)

Course coordinator
Mrs. Miko Schmitt
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Recommended Accommodation

Holiday Inn Express Potsdam
Am Kanal 15, 14467 Potsdam, Germany
(94,- Euro per room per night including breakfast and WLAN).
Booking Code: „IUVV 2025“. For reservation, send an e-mail to info@hiex-suites-potsdam.de.
The booking code is only valid until June 1st, 2025.

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Venue | Day 1 + 2

Konferenzzentrum Ernst von Bergmann
Charlottenstr. 72 · 14467 Potsdam

Directions



Venue | Day 3

Medizin im Grünen | Medical Competence Center
Ulmenstraße 12 · 15864 Wendisch Rietz

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9th International
Uniportal VATS Course
Live Surgery, Drylab and Wetlab

“Uniportal VATS: Innovations and
Complex Procedures”

July 10th – July 12th 2025 | Potsdam
Clinic for Thoracic Surgery
Klinikum Ernst von Bergmann
Potsdam | Germany



Invitation

Welcome to the “9th International Uniportal VATS Course - Live Surgery, Drylab and Wetlab”. This is a three-day-masterclass symposium under scientific leadership of the Klinikum Ernst von Bergmann, Health and Medical University Potsdam, Germany together with the Uni-versity Hospital Charité in Berlin, Germany, the University Hospital in Coruña, Spain and the Shanghai Pulmonary Hospital, Tongji University Shanghai, China.

The first masterclass course took place in the year 2014 and has become the traditional course where all experts in the field of uniportal VATS meet and exchange their experiences with participants from all over the world. The course is now well established and provides training at the highest level. Our goal is to promote a non-dogma-tic learning environment that brings together people from different centers and schools of thoracic surgery from all around the globe.

Whether you are an experienced surgeon or still in trai-ning, this course will deepen your knowledge in Uniportal VATS.

This symposium will take place in Potsdam and will address “Uniportal VATS: Innovations and Complex Pro-cedures” through lectures, discussions and video sessions on the first day. The first part of day 2 will include Live Surgery of major pulmonary resections via Uniportal VATS, and in the second part clinical cases will be presen-ted and discussed while at the same time there will be a drylab. The third day of this symposium is a Hands-on class (Wetlab) for a limited group.

We look forward to your participation!


Mahmoud Ismail
Course Director


Diego Gonzalez Rivas
Course Director

Preliminary Program
July 10th UNIPORTAL VATS - Lectures

08:00-09:00	Registration and Coffee
09:00-09:10	Welcome and Introduction
09:10-10:50	Session 1 – NSCLC: Update in Oncology and Surgery
Coffee Break & Exhibition	
11:10-12:45	Session 2 - UVATS what is possible
Lunch & Exhibition	
13:45-15:45	Session 3 – Sublobar Resections
Coffee Break & Exhibition	
16:05-17:40	Session 4 – Complex Procedures- showing the way or showing off
Coffee Break & Exhibition	
18:00-19:00	Session 5 - Tips and Tricks for complex Uniportal VATS procedures
19:00-19:10	Closing Remarks and Thanks
19:30-21:30	Get-Together Dinner (included in course fee) & Meet and discuss with the experts

July 11th Live Surgery, Drylab and Clinical Cases

08:00-10:30	Live Surgery 1: Uniportal VATS
Coffee Break	
11:00-13:00	Live Surgery 2: Uniportal VATS
Lunch & Exhibition	
14:30-17:30	Session 1: Videos about Clinical Cases Session 2: Lung model Drylab I Session 3: Lung model Drylab II

July 12th Wetlab (Sheep Model)

08:30-09:00	Introduction to Wetlab H. Ziervogel, A. Centeno-Cortés, D. Gonzalez Rivas, M. Ismail (2 Surgeons / Table with 1-2 Tutors)
09:00-09:15	Introduction (Video on Animal Model)
09:15-09:30	Devices Instruction
09:30-11:15	Practice in Animal Model (Uniportal Left Upper Segmentectomy/ lobectomy)
Coffee Break	
11:30-11:45	Video: Left Lower Lobe
11:45-13:15	Practice in Animal Model (Uniportal Left Lower Segmentectomy/ lobectomy)
Lunch	
14:15-14:30	Video: Right Upper & Lower Lobe
14:30-16:30	Practice in Animal Model (Uniportal Right Upper Segmentectomy)
Coffee Break	
16:45-18:15	Right Lower Lobectomy. Segmentec-tomy,Lung Suture, Bronchial Resection and Anastomosis
18:15-18:30	Closing Remarks and Thanks

Faculty | Speakers

Firas Abu Akar, Thoracic Surgery Unit, Edith Wolfson Me-dical Center, Holon, Tel Aviv, Israel, and Makassed Islamic Charitable Society Hospital, East Jerusalem
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