



19<sup>th</sup>

EUROPEAN  
ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY  
COURSE  
on congenital  
heart disease

PRAGUE

September 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> 2026

# Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 08.00 Registration
- 08.30 Opening remarks

Marko Babjuk  
Jan Marek, Folkert Meijboom,  
Luc Mertens

## Session I: Segmental approach to normal and abnormal situs

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Chair: Folkert Meijboom, Utrecht

- 08.35 Segmental approach to cardiac morphology
- 09.00 Echocardiographic approach to segmental analysis
- 09.25 Q&A

Andrew Cook, London  
Jan Marek, London

## Session II: Atrial septal defects and PAPVD

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Chair: Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto

- 09.35 Morphology of ASD and pulmonary veins
- 10.00 Echocardiography of ASD
- 10.20 Assessment pulmonary veins, PAPVD & TAPVD
- 10.40 Q&A
- 10.50 *Coffee break*

Andrew Cook, London  
Deane Yim, Perth  
Leo Lopez, Stanford

## Session III: Ventricular septal defects

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Chair: Leo Lopez, Stanford

- 11.20 Morphology of ventricular septal defects
- 11.45 Echocardiography of ventricular septal defects
- 12.05 Role of echocardiography in decision making and therapeutic approaches to ASD & VSD closure
- 12.25 Q&A
- 12.30–13.30 *Lunch*

Andrew Cook, London  
Paolo Ciliberti, Rome  
Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto

13.00–13.30 PHILIPS Mini Symposium *NOT ACCREDITED EBAC*

13.30 GE HEALTHCARE Live scanning Session *NOT ACCREDITED EBAC*

## Session IV: Atrioventricular septal defects

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Chair: Jan Marek, London

- 14.00 Morphological aspect of AVSD
- 14.25 Preoperative assessment
- 14.45 Surgical AVSD repair
- 15.00 Q&A
- 15.10 *Coffee break*

Andrew Cook, London  
Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia  
Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee

## Session V: Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction and aortic coarctation (case base)

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Chair: Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia

- 15.40 Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction
- 15.55 Complex aortic arch anomalies
- 16.10 Q&A

16.20–17.50 PHILIPS Hands-On-Tutorial Workshops *NOT ACCREDITED EBAC*

Beatrice Bonello, London  
Leo Lopez, Stanford

# Tuesday , September 15<sup>th</sup> , 2026

## Session VI: Tetralogy of Fallot

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Chair: *Deane Yim, Perth*

- 08.30 Morphology of tetralogy of Fallot *Andrew Cook, London*  
08.55 Pre-operative assessment of tetralogy of Fallot *Deane Yim, Perth*  
09.15 Surgical repair of TOF *Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee*  
09.30 Role of Echocardiography after TOF repair *Paolo Ciliberti, Rome*  
09.50 Q&A  
10.00 *Coffee break*

## Session VII: Transposition of the great arteries

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Chair: *Paolo Ciliberti, Rome*

- 10.30 Morphology of transposition *Andrew Cook, London*  
10.55 Pre-operative assessment *Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia*  
11.15 Arterial switch operation *Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee*  
11.30 Post-operative assessment after arterial switch *Beatrice Bonello, London*  
11.50 Q&A  
12.00–13.00 *Lunch*  
12.30–13.00 PHILIPS Mini Symposium *NOT ACCREDITED EBAC*

## Session VIII: Diagnostic and therapeutic challenges in complex CHD (case base)

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Chair: *Beatrice Bonello, London*

- 13.00 Double outlet right ventricle with non-committed VSD *Jan Marek, London*  
13.20 Unbalanced atrioventricular septal defect *Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia*  
13.40 Borderline left ventricle *Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto*  
14.00 Q&A  
14.20 *Coffee break*

## Session IX: Bad valves in CHD (case base)

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Chair: *Deane Yim, Perth*

- 14.50 Tricuspid valve *Paolo Ciliberti, Rome*  
15.05 Pulmonary valve *Deane Yim, Perth*  
15.20 Q&A  
15.30–17.00 PHILIPS Hands-On-Tutorial Workshops *NOT ACCREDITED EBAC*

# Wednesday , September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## Session X: Functionally univentricular hearts

Chair: *Leo Lopez, Stanford*

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| 08.30 | Morphology of functionally univentricular hearts         | <i>Andrew Cook, London</i>       |
| 08.55 | Pre-operative echocardiography                           | <i>Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia</i> |
| 09.15 | Surgical strategies in single ventricular palliation     | <i>Viktor Hraska, Milwaukee</i>  |
| 09.35 | Assessment of bidirectional Glenn and Fontan circulation | <i>Beatrice Bonello, London</i>  |
| 09.55 | Q&A  |                                  |
| 10.15 | <i>Coffee break</i>                                      |                                  |

## Session XI: Introduction to functional assessment

Chair: *Beatrice Bonello, London*

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| 10.45         | Practical approach to echocardiographic assessment of LV function               | <i>Luc Mertens, Ottawa</i> |
| 11.15         | Practical approach to echocardiographic assessment of RV function               | <i>Jan Marek, London</i>   |
| 11.45         | Practical approach to functional assessment of mitral and aortic valve function | <i>Leo Lopez, Stanford</i> |
| 12.10         | Q&A   |                            |
| 12.30 – 13.30 | <i>Lunch</i>  |                            |

## Session XII: Failing ventricle in CHD -clinical practice (case base)

Chair: *Meryl Cohen, Philadelphia*

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|-------|---|---------------------------------|
| 13.30 | Is it coronaries? Ischemia in paediatric heart disease                                  | <i>Leo Lopez, Stanford</i>      |
| 13.50 | Is it the electricity? Electro-mechanical dyssynchrony and heart failure                | <i>Beatrice Bonello, London</i> |
| 14.10 | Is it systemic right ventricle? RV dysfunction in CcTGA                                 | <i>Deane Yim, Perth</i>         |
| 14.30 | Is it systemic single ventricle? Systemic ventricular dysfunction in Fontan circulation | <i>Paolo Ciliberti, Rome</i>    |
| 14.50 | Q&A   |                                 |

## Session XIII: Echocardiography in CHD: back to the future

Chair: *International faculty*

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| 15.00         | Moving from 2D to 3D echocardiography in real time and real life | <i>Jan Marek, London</i>                            |
| 15.20         | Faster machines, faster imaging, faster diagnosis                | <i>Luc Mertens, Ottawa/Toronto</i>                  |
| 15.40         | Q&A  |   |
| 15.50 – 17.20 | PHILIPS Hands-On-Tutorial Workshops <i>NOT ACCREDITED EBAC</i>   |   |
| 17.20         | Closing remarks & Adjourn  | <i>Jan Marek, Luc Mertens,<br/>Folkert Meijboom</i> |

## COURSE DIRECTORS

Jan Marek (London), Luc Mertens (Toronto), Folkert Meijboom (Utrecht)

## REGISTRATION FEES (VAT included)

19<sup>th</sup> European Echocardiography Course on Congenital Heart Disease - September 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Registrations to attend in person will be accepted up to the maximum number of: 200

	EARLY BIRD UNTIL MAY 15 <sup>TH</sup>	LATE REGISTRATION FROM MAY 15 <sup>TH</sup>
REGULAR	€ 750,00	€ 850,00
JUNIOR (< 35 years old)	€ 650,00	€ 750,00
SONOGRAPHERS	€ 650,00	€ 750,00
Social dinner on September 15 <sup>th</sup> (ONLY FOR ATTENDEES)	€ 50,00	€ 50,00

## PACKAGE DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEE

Hands-on pre-conference virtual reality Course - September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

+ 19<sup>th</sup> European Echocardiography Course on Congenital Heart Disease - September 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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## THE REGISTRATION FEE TO ATTEND IN PERSON COVERS:

- admission to scientific sessions
- coffee breaks and lunches
- EBAC credits (available for those who fill the EBAC form provided at the end of the Course) ONLY for ECC September 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- congress kit
- certificate of attendance

Please note that EBAC credits are not available for those who attend the Hands-on Course that will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

### Congress Location

Charles University (Universita Karlova)  
Ovocný trh 3-5 Prague 1 - 116 36  
BLUE AUDITORIUM 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

### Social Dinner Location

September 15<sup>th</sup>  
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