



Preliminary Programme

ESSO Course on Ultrasound in Breast Cancer Surgery

28-29 September 2026

Cremona, IT

Chairs

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Programme

Monday, 28 September

Basics of Ultrasound and Ultrasound-Guided Breast Surgery

08:30 – 08:40 Welcome and Introduction

08:40 – 09:00 Ultrasound Basics for Surgeons

09:00 – 09:20 Ultrasound for Breast Surgeons – When, How and Advantages

09:20 – 09:35 Puncture of Abscess, Core Biopsies, and VABB

09:35 – 10:40 Practical Session: Ultrasound-Guided Procedures on Phantoms

10:40 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:20 Intra-operative Ultrasound: Indications

11:20 – 11:40 Intra-operative Ultrasound: Scientific Evidence

11:40 – 12:00 Intra-operative Ultrasound Guided Surgery: Learning Curve

12:00 – 13:00 How I Do It – Intraoperative Ultrasound in Surgery - Surgical Videos and Clinical Cases

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 16:00 Practical Session: Workshop with Patients

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 – 16:50 Theoretical Session: Margin assessment with US

16:50 – 17:00 Q&A and Wrap-Up



29 September

Advanced Techniques in Ultrasound-Guided Surgery and Localisation Technologies

08:30 – 08:50	Pearls and Pitfalls
08:50 – 09:10	Intraoperative Ultrasound (IOUS) in the Neoadjuvant Setting: Breast and Axilla
09:10 – 09:30	Implementing Ultrasound-Guided Surgery
09:30 – 10:30	Group Session: Clinical cases, boundaries and Decision Making
10:30-11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 – 12:15	Practical Session: Ultrasound-Guided Lumpectomy on Phantom Models
12:15 – 13:15	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13:15 – 15:00	Practical Session: Novel Localisation Technologies
15:00	Wrap-Up