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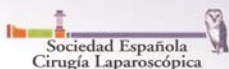
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# Preliminary Programme

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# Welcome to the 6<sup>th</sup> MMESA Congress



Dear colleagues and friends:

On behalf of the Mediterranean and Middle Eastern Endoscopic Surgery Society (MMESA), I have the honour and pleasure to announce that our annual Congress will be held at the Trade Fairs and Congress Centre of Málaga, Spain, during the 25th to the 27th of October, 2006.

I would like to invite you to take part in our Málaga Congress. Without doubt this will be an excellent opportunity to meet our most distinguished colleagues from the Mediterranean basin, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas. I would also like to extend to you the hospitality of the region, which I am sure you will enjoy.

The main topics of the Congress will focus on the latest advances in Endoscopic Surgical Technology and Robotics, developments in Operating theatre technologies, Simulation, Training and also other important problems that we face in our daily Laparoscopic surgical practices. You will also be able to experience live surgery with operating sessions coming to us from operating theatres in the most prestigious centres throughout the world and which will centre on many of these topics.

The city of Málaga is located in the heart of the Spanish Costa del Sol, where the culture of the sea and its maritime heritage, together with the classical history of the city with buildings of unique architecture, character and historical interest from over two thousand years ago, all unite together to make the Málaga experience unique. The Spanish poet Vicente Aleixandre called Málaga “the paradise city”. But Málaga is also “the Picasso city” as it is the birth place of Picasso, with associated history, museums, art, and many popular events also being held here. If you take all this together, and not forgetting the traditional Andalusian gastronomy and the friendship of the people, then I am certain that your visit here will be a most memorable one.

I hope sincerely that you will be able to join us for this conference and I am looking forward to meeting you in our city of Málaga, in October, 2006.

With warm regards to you all,

Miguel-Angel Carbajo  
President of the Congress



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Time	WEDNESDAY 25th		THURSDAY 26th	
	Auditorium	Room 2	Auditorium	Room 2
8:30-10:30	<b>Robotic live surgery</b> <i>Total Gastrectomy</i>	<b>SESSION 2</b> PEDIATRIC SURG. Laparoscopy in uro-genitalia Current & future	<b>SESSION 5</b> Why born lap surgery? What represents it in the nowadays?	<b>SESSION 9</b> Gastro- esophageal surgery
10:30-11:00	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee
11:00-13:00	<b>Robotic live surgery</b> <i>Left Colectomy</i>	<b>SESSION 3</b> THORACIC SURG. Basic principles in video thoracic surgery (VATS)	<b>SESSION 6</b> With lap. surg. a new generation of surgeons was born: the training	<b>SESSION 10</b> Laparoscopic colorectal surgery
13:00-14:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
14:30-16:30	<b>Robotic live surgery</b> <i>Esofagectomy / Gastric Bypass</i>	<b>SESSION 4</b> UROLOGY SURG. Nephron Sparing Techniques in RCC	<b>SESSION 7</b> Everything done without opening: advanced laparoscopy surgery	<b>SESSION 11</b> Obesity surgery: Evidences
16:30-17:00	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee
17:00-18:30	<b>SESSION 1</b> The surgical tech. before and after lap.		<b>SESSION 8</b> Basic and advances lap. procedures:	<b>SESSION 12</b> Endocrine surgery
19:00-19:30	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>		Buses to hotel	
19:30-20:30	<b>A Master-Piece of Spanish Flamenco Show</b>			
20:30-21:00	<b>Welcome Cocktail</b>			
21:30	Buses to hotel			





# Programme Overview

## THURSDAY 26th

Room 3

Room 4

### SESSION 13

Laparoscopy in urological pelvic cancer

### SESSION 17

Free papers and videos

Coffee

Coffee

### SESSION 14

Advanced Thoracoscopy vs. open thoracotomy

### SESSION 18

Free papers and videos

Lunch

Lunch

### SESSION 15

Laparoscopy surg in pediatric gastroesophageal reflux

### SESSION 19

Free papers and videos

Coffee

Coffee

### SESSION 16

Emergency lap. surgery

### SESSION 20

Free papers and videos

Buses to hotel

## FRIDAY 27th

Auditorium

Room 2

Room 3

Room 4

### SESSION 21

Technological development: What does the industry do for us?

### SESSION 25

Pancreas and liver

### SESSION 29

Biliary surgery and spleen

### SESSION 33

Free papers and videos

Coffee

Coffee

Coffee

Coffee

### SESSION 22

Different kinds of robots and robotic surgery: present and future

### SESSION 26

Obesity surgery: How do I do?

### SESSION 30

Ventral hernia

### SESSION 34

Free papers and videos

Lunch

Lunch

Lunch

Lunch

### SESSION 23

Evidences of the superiority of advanced lap. over open surgery

### SESSION 27

Inguinal hernia

### SESSION 31

Diagnostic laparoscopy

### SESSION 35

Free papers and videos

Coffee

Coffee

Coffee

Coffee

### SESSION 24

Bariatric surgery: example of the necessity of tech.

### SESSION 28

Hydatid cyst

### SESSION 32

Oncological surgery

### SESSION 36

Free papers and videos

**MMESA Assembly**

Buses to hotel

**Gala dinner**



07:00 Congress registration in Trade Fairs and Congress Center of Málaga.

**08:25 Welcome address: M. A. Carbajo**

**LIVE SURGERY**

**08:30 Robotic live surgery:** Total Gastrectomy with lymphadenectomy.

*P. C. Giullianotti (Italy)*

Moderator: *B. Gayet (France)*

Comments: *S. Azagra (Luxembourg)*

*F. Gómez-Ferrer (Spain)*

*J. Álvarez de Cienfuegos (Spain)*

*E. Lobo (Spain)*

**10.30-11.00 Coffee Break at Industry Exhibition**

**11:00 Robotic live surgery:** Left Colectomy.

*A. D'Annibale (Italy)*

Moderator: *A. Lacy (Spain)*

Comments: *M. Jacobs (USA)*

*E. Xynos (Greece)*

*J. L. Gallegos (Spain)*

*R. Belda (Spain)*

**13:00-14:30 Lunch at Industry Exhibition**

**14:30-16:30 Robotic live surgery:** Esofagectomy/Gastric Bypass.

*S. Horgan (USA)*

Moderator: *M. Milicevic (Serbia)*

Comments: *F. A. El Bassiony (Egypt)*

*M. Herrera (México)*

*N. Zundel (USA)*

*J. Solano (Spain)*

**16.30-17.00 Coffee at Industry Exhibition**

**AUDITORIUM****17.00-18.30 SESSION 1: The surgical technology before and after laparoscopy.**

President: *P. Mouret (France)*  
 Moderators: *J. Marescaux (France)*  
*J. Álvarez Fernández-Represa (Spain)*

Technology and open surgery: Hundred years without technological innovation in surgery before the appearance of lap surgery. How was it and how is it?

*R. Vara (Spain)*

Results of open surgery in comparison with lap surgery.

*G. Melotti (Italy)*

Technology in the first years of laparoscopic surgery.

*C. Vara (Spain)*

Laparoscopy surgery in the 3<sup>rd</sup> world.

*G. B. Cadiere (France)*

Quality of life in open vs lap surgery.

*E. Neugebauer (Germany)*

What did we win and what did we lose with the technology in surgery? And the patient?

*N. Basso (Italy)*

**19:00-19:30 Opening Ceremony**

**19:30-20:30 A MASTER-PIECE OF SPANISH FLAMENCO SHOW**

**20:30-21:30 Welcome Cocktail**

21:30 Buses to the hotel at the main Entry of Congress Center.



## ROOM 2

08:30-10:30 **SESSION 2 (Pediatric surgery): Laparoscopic management in pediatric urology and ambiguous genitalia. Current and future roles.**

President: ()

Moderators: *M. J. Martínez-Urrutia (Spain)*

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Urological laparoscopy in the first year of life.

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Nephrectomy. Heminephrectomy. Transperitoneal vs. Retroperitoneal approach.

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Laparoscopic assisted reconstructive surgery. Mistakes and risk.

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Laparoscopic evaluation, early diagnosis and management of a newborn with ambiguous genitalia.

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Laparoscopically-assisted vaginoplasty.

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10.30-11.00

**Coffee Break at Industry Exhibition**

## ROOM 2

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 3 (thoracic surgery): Basic principles in video-thoracic surgery (VATS).**

President: ()

Moderators: ()

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Surgical approaches in lung and mediastinal surgery. Why is VATS better?

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Indications of VATS in pleural malignant diseases.

()

Role of VATS in lung cancer staging.

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Thoracic trauma. When is VATS indicated?

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Neumothorax. Should be always operated? Place of VATS.

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## ROOM 2

14:30–16:30 **SESSION 4 (Urology surgery): Nephron Sparing Techniques in RCC.**

President: ()

Moderators: *J. H. Amón (Spain)*

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Current status in laparoscopic partial nephrectomy.

*C. Hernández Fernández (Spain)*

Haemostasis and clamping techniques in laparoscopic partial nephrectomy.

*A. Rosales (Spain)*

Cry-ablation therapy of renal masses.

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High-frequency ablation therapy.

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**AUDITORIUM**

08:30-10:30 **SESSION 5: Why was born Lap surgery? What does it represent in nowadays surgery?**

President: *G. Timsit (France)*  
Moderators: *V. Fresneda (Spain)*  
*G. Papastratis (Greece)*

Why and how was Lap surgery born? *P. Mouret (France)*  
Laparoscopic surgery: "Walking carefully before we run". Was it actually so?  
*E. Laporte (Spain)*  
Was the industry the real motor of laparoscopic surgery development?  
Does it continue being so?  
*E. Lezoche (Italy)*  
Can we image nowadays surgery without laparoscopy?  
*G. Plasencia (USA)*  
Third millennium surgery: what by open and what by laparoscopy?  
Which are the criteria? *A. Chousleb (Mexico)*

10.30-11.00

**Coffee Break at Industry Exhibition**

**AUDITORIUM**

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 6: With Lap surgery a new generation of surgeons was born: the training**

President: *J. Álvarez Fernández-Represa (Spain)*  
Moderators: *R. Vincenti (Italy)*  
*M. Milicevic (Serbia)*

Is it necessary to train in open surgery before starting with laparoscopy? Why?  
*E. Moreno-González (Spain)*  
Are the hospitals that receive residents normally prepared for doing the laparoscopic surgical training?  
*J. Jakimovicz (Netherlands)*  
Whom and where can they train in basic and advanced surgical technologies?  
*G. B. Cadiere (France)*  
The training in laparoscopic surgery can be done as a standard part of the residency or does it need to have a special programme?  
*J. M. Schiappa (Portugal)*  
Laparoscopic skills training and assessment.  
*R. Rosenthal (USA)*



## AUDITORIUM

14:30–16:30 **SESSION 7: Everything done without opening: advanced laparoscopy surgery.**President: *J. M. Schiappa (Portugal)*Moderators: *C. Avci (Turkey)**F. Delgado Gomis (Spain)*

Is it impossible without technology? Why?

*B. Gayet (France)*

Who is prepared for doing advanced laparoscopic surgery? How and whom has to control the credentials to perform it?

*E. Lezoche (Italy)*

Which are the main limitations to perform everything by laparoscopy?

*M. A. Cuesta (Netherlands)*

Advanced laparoscopy in oncology surgery.

*S. Heys (UK)*

Educational and technological limitations of advanced laparoscopic surgery.

*K. Fuchs (Germany)*

## AUDITORIUM

17:00–18:30 **SESSION 8: Basic and advanced laparoscopic procedures: how to jump from one to the other.**President: *G. Melotti (Italy)*Moderators: *H. Kalbasi (Iran)**J.A. Soro Gosálvez (Spain)*

Which are the basic laparoscopic procedures? Why?

*S. Shuchleib (Mexico)*

Which are the advanced laparoscopic procedures? Why?

*J.L. Dulucq (France)*

How many basic procedures are necessary to perform before starting with advanced procedures? Why?

*S. Azagra (Luxembourg)*

Do we need different technology for performing advanced laparoscopic surgery or is it possible to use the same as in basic procedures?

*N. Zundel (USA)*

Is laparoscopic advanced surgery synonymous of robotic surgery?

*S. Horgan (USA)*

**ROOM 2****08:30-10:30 SESSION 9: Gastroesophageal surgery.**

President: *D. Abuladze (Georgia)*  
 Moderators: *J. Segura (Spain)*  
*F. Mecheri (Italy)*

Laparoscopic Achalasia. State of the art.

*E. Lobo (Spain)*

GERD operations: which of them? Ambulant laparoscopic Flopy Nissen.

*J.L. Gallegos (Spain)*

What to do with recurrent hiatal hernia?

*S. Shuchleib (Mexico)*

Laparoscopic gastrectomy.

*E. Toscano (Spain)*

Laparoscopic esophagectomy. State of the art.

*M. A. Cuesta (Netherlands)*

**10:30-11:00 Coffee Break at Industry Exhibition****11:00-13:00 SESSION 10: Laparoscopic colorectal surgery.**

President: *E. Xynos (Greece)*  
 Moderators: *J. Moreno (Argentina)*  
*A. Milleras (Spain)*

What reasons explain better results after open than laparoscopic surgery for colorectal cancer?

*A. Chousleb (Mexico)*

Are there some groups of patients in whose is better to perform open colorectal surgery?

*G. Plasencia (USA)*

Colectomy for sigmoid diverticular disease should be always laparoscopic? Evidences.

*A. Navarro (Spain)*

Laparoscopic colorectal surgery in obese patients: influence body mass index outcomes? Evidences.

*A. Lacy (Spain)*

Risk factors for morbidity and mortality after colorectal surgery.

*M. Jacobs (USA)*





## ROOM 2

14:30-16:30 **SESSION 11: Obesity surgery: evidence.**

President: *J. Mouiel (France)*  
 Moderators: *G. Ungson (Mexico)*  
*J. Foncillas (Spain)*

Sleeve gastrectomy as only solution for morbid obesity?

*L. Agrisani (Italy)*

Laparoscopic gastric band reinterventions rate.

*M. Cortez (Ecuador)*

Risk-benefit ratio for the different bariatric procedures. Evidences.

*R. Weiner (Germany)*

Bariatric surgery in superobese: what say the evidence?

*A. Martín Duce (Spain)*

Preoperative endoscopy, drainage, systematic gastrografin control: what is proved?

*M. A. Bielsa (Spain)*

17:00-18:30 **SESSION 12: Endocrine surgery.**

President: *I. Popescu (Romania)*  
 Moderators: *M. Herrera (Mexico)*  
*M. Miras (Spain)*

Transperitoneal or retroperitoneal laparoscopic adrenalectomy?

*M. A. Suarez (Spain)*

Laparoscopic adrenalectomy and adrenal-preserving surgery

*A. Cestari (Italy)*

Laparoscopic adrenalectomy for malignancy.

*L. Fernández-Cruz (Spain)*

Endoscopic thyroidectomy.

*R. Bellantone (Italy)*



## ROOM 3

08:30-10:30 **SESSION 13 (Urologic Surgery): Laparoscopy in urological pelvic cancer. State of the art.**

President: ()

Moderators: ()

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Nerve sparing radical prostatectomy. How we should do it?

*L. Martínez-Piñero (Spain)*

Radical prostatectomy. Oncological and functional outcomes.

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Radical cystectomy. How we should do it?

*R. Gaston (France)*

Radical cystectomy. Oncological outcomes.

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**10:30-11:00 Coffee Break at Industry Exhibition**

## ROOM 3

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 14 (Thoracic Surgery): Advanced Thoracoscopy vs. open thoracotomy.**

President: ()

Moderators: ()

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Hiperhydrosis. VATS or open?

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Pericardial disease. VATS or open?

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Lung volume reduction surgery. VATS or open?

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Thymectomy. VATS or open?

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Major lung resection. VATS or open?

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## ROOM 3

14:30-16:30 **SESSION 15 (Pediatric surgery): Laparoscopy surgery in pediatric gastroesophageal reflux.**

President: ()  
 Moderators: *P. Olivares (Spain)*  
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Laparoscopic nissen-rosseti procedure in infants and children.

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Toupet's procedure.

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The management of g.e.r. in neurologically impaired patients.

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Other laparoscopic antireflux procedures and endoluminal techniques.

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Complications of antireflux surgery in childrens.

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## ROOM 3

17:00-18:30 **SESSION 16: Emergency laparoscopic surgery.**

President: *F. Sebai (Tunisia)*  
 Moderators: *A. Hammad (Algeria)*  
*D. Rodero (Spain)*

What do we need to perform laparoscopic surgery in emergency setting?

*M. Piccoli (Italy)*

When is it indicated to perform laparoscopic exploration in emergency room.

*E. Fernández-Sallent (Spain)*

Acute abdomen: early emergency laparoscopy or observation?

*M. Antozzi (Argentina)*

Advantages and disadvantages of early emergency laparoscopy.

*H. Vazquez Sanders (Mexico)*

Laparoscopy for abdominal emergencies Evidence-based guidelines.

*S. Sauerland (Germany)*



## AUDITORIUM

08:30-10:30 **SESSION 21: Technological development: What does the industry do for us?**President: *A. Carrasco Rojas (Mexico)*Moderators: *F. A. El Bassiony (Egypt)**E. Ortiz Oshiro (Spain)*

Technological dependency of present surgery.

*G. Buess, Germany*

Are operating room conditions so important? Why?

*M. Cortez, Ecuador*

Are the operating devices what makes the difference?

*J. L. Dulucq, France*

Complementary technology has demonstrated to help improving results and quality of life for the patient.

*M. Garcia-Caballero, Spain*

What can we expect from the industry in the near future?

*J. Marescaux, France*

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## AUDITORIUM

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 22: Different kinds of robots and robotic surgery: Present and future.**President: *C. Vara Thorbeck (Spain)*Moderator: *M. A. Cuesta (Netherlands)**E. Laporte (Spain)*

Why robots in surgery? What kind of robots exist in surgery? What are the differences amongst them?

*S. Horgan (USA)*

Is it necessary having a special training for using robots?

*P. Gullianotti (Italy)*

Which kind of surgical procedures are impossible without robots?

*R. Rosenthal (USA)*

How to introduce robotic surgery in a normal operation theatre.

*H. Villavicencio (Spain)*

Costs and benefits of robotic surgery in comparison with laparoscopic surgery.

*A. D'Annibale (Italy)*



## AUDITORIUM

14:30-16:30 **SESSION 23: Evidences of the superiority of advanced laparoscopic over open surgery.**

President: *J. Mouiel (France)*  
 Moderators: *D. Rusello (Italy)*  
*J. Culebras (Spain)*

Hernia and abdominal wall. *D. Korolija (Croatia)*  
 Colorectal cancer. *A. Lacy (Spain)*  
 Hepato-biliary. *S. Azagra (Luxembourg)*  
 Esophagectomy. *N. Zundel (USA)*  
 Pancreatectomy. *G. Melotti (Italy)*

## AUDITORIUM

17:00-18:30 **SESSION 24: Bariatric surgery as an example of the necessity of technology.**

President: *A. Bassas (Saudi Arabia)*  
 Moderators: *J. Hernández Martínez (Spain)*  
*J. C. Ruiz de Adana (Spain)*

Laparoscopic gastric banding could be ideal, if we reduce the re-operation rate: How?

*N. Zundel (USA)*

Super-obese: as less surgery as possible for these high risk patients and in only one operation?

*C. Masdevall (Spain)*

Simplifying the procedure for reducing risk: the one anastomosis gastric bypass.

*M. García-Caballero (Spain)*

What causes morbi-mortality in obesity surgery? Which extent is due to technological limitations?

*R. Tachino (Italy)*



## ROOM 2

08:30-10:30 **SESSION 25: Pancreas and liver.**

President: *F. Castro e Sousa (Portugal)*  
 Moderators: *L. Fernández-Cruz (Spain)*  
*M. Salvi (Spain)*

Laparoscopic treatment of the pancreatic insulinoma.

*M. Herrera (Mexico)*

Are major laparoscopic pancreatic resections worthwhile?

*G. Melotti (Italy)*

Hand-assisted laparoscopic pylorus-preserving pancreatico-duodenectomy for pancreas head disease.

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Laparoscopic hepatectomy.

*J. L. Dulucq (France)*

Laparoscopic liver resection using radio frequency ablation.

*M. Milicevic (Serbia)*

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## ROOM 2

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 26: Obesity surgery: how do I do?**

President: *A. Hosny (Egypt)*  
 Moderators: *J. Foncillas (Spain)*  
*J. Solano (Spain)*

Advantages and disadvantages of the different types of laparoscopic gastric band.

*R. Blanco (Germany)*

*Campan (France)*

*N. Zundel (USA)*

Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass

*C. Empinotti (Brasil)*

One Anastomosis Gastric Bypass.

*M. García-Caballero (Spain)*

Biliopancreatic Diversion vs. Duodenal Switch.

*R. Weiner (Germany)*



## ROOM 2

14:30-16:30 **SESSION 27: Inguinal hernia.**

President: *M. Bekavac-Beslin (Croatia)*  
 Moderators: *M. Martín Gómez (Spain)*  
*M. Limones (Spain)*

TEP approach.

*J. Merello (Spain)*

TAPP approach.

*M. Miras (Spain)*

IPOM approach.

*W. Schmidt (Germany)*

Results of the different laparoscopic techniques and its comparison with open approach.

*E. Laporte (Spain)*

What say the evidence on the present optimal treatment for inguinal hernia?

*S. Sauerland (Germany)*

## ROOM 2

17:00-18:30 **SESSION 28: Hydatid cyst.**

President: *M. Milisevic (Serbia)*  
 Moderators: *A. Abutok (Syria)*  
*E. García Romero (Spain)*

Treatment of hydatid cyst of the liver: where is the evidence?

*C. Dziri (Tunisie)*

Feasibility and safety of laparoscopic management of hydatid disease of the liver.

*C. Avci (Turkey)*

Laparoscopic hand-assisted surgery for hydatid cysts of the liver.

*F. Abi (Morocco)*

Totally laparoscopic pericystectomy in hepatic hydatid disease.

*M. Kapan (Turkey)*

Is fear of anaphylactic shock discouraging surgeons from more widely adopting percutaneous and laparoscopic techniques in the treatment of liver hydatid cyst?

*R. Yaghan (Jordan)*



## ROOM 3

08:30-10:30 **SESSION 29: Biliary surgery and spleen.**President: *L. Hireche (Algeria)*Moderators: *J. Alonso (Spain)**H. Oliva (Spain)*

Endoscopic treatment of postoperative biliary complications.

*M. Pérez Miranda (Spain)*

Comparison of endoscopic sphincterotomy and laparoscopic exploration of the common bile duct.

*R. Toscano (Spain)*

Incidence of retained common bile duct stones depending of the policy of biliary imaging use.

*J. Ruiz Castillo (Spain)*

Early versus delayed laparoscopic cholecystectomy for acute cholecystitis: what say the evidence?

*I. Popescu (Romania)*

Update of splenic laparoscopic surgery

*P. Torelli (Italy)*

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## ROOM 3

11:00-13:00 **SESSION 30: Ventral hernia.**President: *G. Papastratis (Greece)*Moderators: *L. J. Sanchez (Italy)**F. Blasco (Spain)*

Laparoscopic ventral hernia repair: the Carbajo technique.

*M. García-Caballero (Spain)*Meshes and fixations. *J. A. Guerrero (Spain)*

Is laparoscopic ventral hernia repair superior to the open approach?

Evidences.

*S. Morales Conde (Spain)*The Lapsis Study. *E. Neugebauer (Germany)*

How many open and laparoscopic procedures are performed at present?

Is the laparoscopic repair cost-effective?

*A. Iuppa (Italy)*

## ROOM 3

14:30-16:30 **SESSION 31: Diagnostic laparoscopy.**

President: *D. Russelo (Italy)*  
 Moderators: *G. Timsit (France)*  
*J. Rosado (Spain)*

Blind and open technique for primary access laparoscopy? Evidences.  
*J. Mata (Spain)*

The evolving role of staging laparoscopy in the treatment of colo-rectal hepatic metastasis.

*J. Álvarez de Cienfuegos (Spain)*

Laparoscopy compared with laparotomy for the surgical staging of cancer: The role of intracorporeal ultrasound.

*J. Schiappa (Portugal)*

Experience with robot-assisted laparoscopic staging of malignancies.

*P. Giulianotti (Italy)*

Diagnostic laparoscopy in acute abdomen.

*D. Rodero (Spain)*

## ROOM 3

17:00-18:30 **SESSION 32: Oncological surgery.**

President: *S. Heys (UK)*





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**LUNCHEONS AND REFRESHMENTS:**

Coffee breaks and luncheons will be available at the Congress Centre and included in the registration fee.



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## WEATHER:

Due to its privileged geographical position, between the mountains and the sea, Málaga has a microclimate, with an even temperature all year round. It has one of Europe's mildest winters (average in october 18-22°), and over 300 days of sunlight per year.

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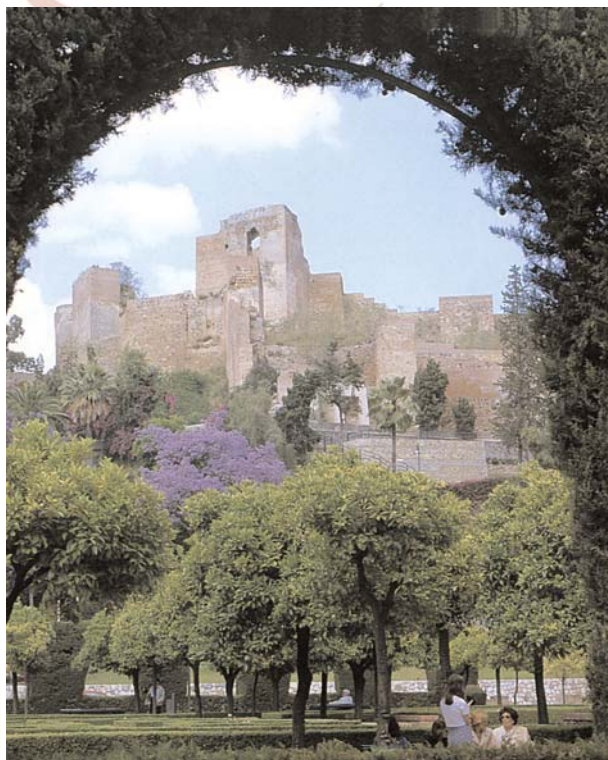
### Malaga: The City

Málaga is a bustling commercial and residential center with an economy that does not depend exclusively on tourism. With a population of 550,000, Málaga is not only the capital of the Costa del Sol but also Andalusia's largest coastal city. It was the birthplace of Pablo Picasso, and a museum devoted to the artist is its chief attraction today.

In spite of its crime, noise, pollution, and traffic, it is also the cultural capital of the coast, with more museums and historic monuments than any other resort in this chapter. For most rail and air passengers, Málaga is the gateway to the Costa del Sol, but most visitors move on to other resorts in the east or west before nightfall. However, those who linger in Málaga find much to reward them, including the city's casco antiguo, the cultural heart of the Old Town. Linger at least long enough to taste the sweet Málaga wine, famous since antiquity and served from 500-liter barrels in little tascas and bodegas.

Paseo del Parque is the center of town. It begins at Plaza de la Marina (you'll find underground parking here), and curves to the east. This is a palm-lined pedestrian promenade filled with banana trees and fountains, even duck-filled ponds.

The beaches, for the most part, are popular for their bars, not their gritty, grayish sands. Paseo Marítimo runs along La Malagueta Beach, but even better are the beaches lying to the east of Baños de Carmen and El Palo.

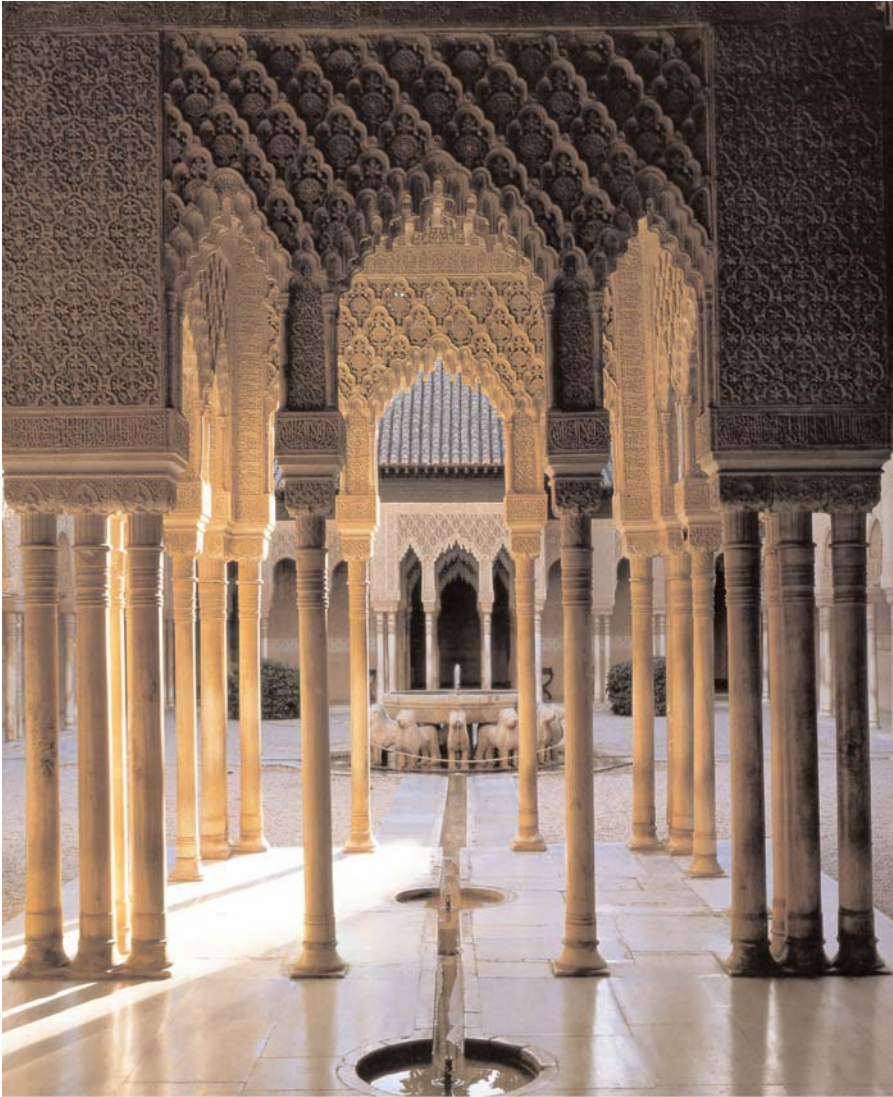


### Granada: Alhambra and Generalife

The Alhambra was a palace, a citadel, fortress, and the home of the Nasrid sultans, high government officials, servants of the court and elite soldiers (from the 13th to the 14th century). Today, the monument is divided into four main areas: the Palaces, the military zone or Alcazaba, the city or Medina and the agricultural estate of the



Generalife. All of these areas are surrounded by woods, gardens and orchards. Other notable buildings belonging to a different time period are also included, such as the Renaissance style Palace of Charles V, which houses the Alhambra Museum (most of the items are from the site of the monument) and the Fine Art Museum. In order to fully appreciate the unique architecture of the Alhambra set within the surrounding landscape, it is advisable to visit an area of the Albaicín called the Mirador de San Nicolás, or go to Sacromonte. From both of these places the Alhambra's spectacular location, lying just above the city of Granada, can really be admired.





## Córdoba: The Mosque Cathedral

Cordoba was founded by the Romans and due to its strategic importance as the highest navigable point of the Guadalquivir River, it became a port city of great importance, used for shipping Spanish olive oil, wine and wheat back to Ancient Rome. The Romans built the mighty bridge crossing the river, now called "El Puente Romano". But Cordoba's hour of greatest glory was when it became the capital of the Moorish kingdom of El-Andalus, and this was when work began on the Great Mosque, or "Mezquita", which – after several centuries of additions and enlargements – became one of the largest in all of Islam.

When the city was reconquered by the Christians in 1236, the new rulers of the city were so awed by its beauty that they left it standing, building their cathedral in the midst of its rows of arches and columns, and creating the extraordinary church-mosque we see today.

Most beautiful courtyard contest

As well as the unique mosque-cathedral, Cordoba's treasures include the Alcazar, or Fortress, built by the Christians in 1328; the Calahorra Fort, originally built by the Arabs, which guards the Roman Bridge, on the far side of the river from the Mezquita, and the ancient Jewish Synagogue, now a museum. Cordoba's medieval quarter, once the home of the Jewish community, is called "La Judería" (The Jewry), a labyrinth of winding, narrow streets, shady flower-filled courtyards and picturesque squares such as La Plaza del Potro. In early May, homeowners proudly festoon their patios with flowers to compete for the city's "most beautiful courtyard" contest.





## Ronda: Historical Site

Description: Steeped in history, this enchanting Andalusian city resides on a high plateau in the mountains, known in all of Spain as the "Desfiladero de El Tajo". The 18th century bridge "Puente Nuevo" offers to the visitor an unbeatable look out over stunning landscapes. Ronda's bullring is also famous, being the oldest and one of the most beautiful in Spain. Inside the bullring there is a fascinating museums with objects belonging to the most renowned Spanish bullfighters. Other places of interest for the tourist are the Puerta de Almocabar gate, the arch of Felipe V, the Espiritu Santo, Santa Maria and Padre Jesus churches, the City Hall, the Mondragon and Marques de Salvatierra palaces, the buildings of Casas del Gigante and the Rey Moro, the Arabic baths, the Molinos del Tajo and the Viejo and Curtidurias bridges.



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