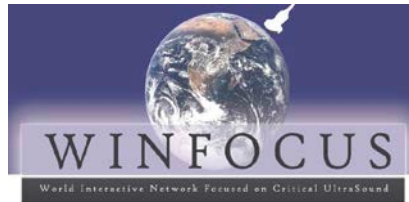


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MSA Malaysian Society of Anaesthesiologists

MSIC Malaysian Society of Intensive Care

SUCCES Malaysian Society of Critical & Emergency Sonography

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ACCP American College of Chest Physicians

ACEM Australasian College for Emergency Medicine

ACEP American College of Emergency Physicians

ACS American College of Surgeons

AHA American Heart Association

AMS Academy of Medicine, Singapore

APACCM Asia Pacific Association of Critical Care Medicine

ASEM Asian Society for Emergency Medicine

ATS American Thoracic Society

EFSUMB European Federation of Societies for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology

ESTES European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery

ESA European Society of Anaesthesiology

EuSEM European Society for Emergency Medicine

IFEM International Federation of Emergency Medicine

ISCCM Indian Society for Critical Care Medicine

ITLS International Trauma Life Support

JAAM Japanese Association for Acute Medicine

JAST Japanese Association for The Surgery of Trauma

JSEM Japan Society of Emergency Medicine

PERDICI Indonesian Society of Intensive Care Medicine

Samu-Urgences de France

SCCM Society of Critical Care Medicine

SCCS Saudi Critical Care Society

SCS Singapore Cardiac Society

SECCI Society of Emergency and Critical Care Imaging

SEMI Society for Emergency Medicine India

SEMS Society for Emergency Medicine in Singapore

SIAARTI Società Italiana di Anestesia Analgesia Rianimazione e Terapia Intensiva

SIAATIP Società Italiana di Anestesia, Analgesia e Terapia Intensiva Pediatrica

SICM Society of Intensive Care Medicine, Singapore

SICUT Società Italiana di Chirurgia d'Urgenza e del Trauma

SIMEU Società Italiana di Medicina d'Emergenza-Urgenza

SIUMB Società Italiana di Ultrasonologia in Medicina Biologica

SSA Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists

SUA Society for Ultrasound in Anaesthesia

TAC Trauma Association of Canada

TSEM Taiwan Society of Emergency Medicine

WFSICCM World Federation of Societies of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine

WFUMB World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology

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NOVEMBER 15, 2014

1/2 DAY ULTRASOUND CERTIFICATION EXAMS

14.30 > 18.30

USLS BL1P

WBE

LUS BL1P

NOVEMBER 16, 2014

2 DAYS PROVIDER COURSES

08.30 > 18.30

USLS BL1P

USLS AL1P

WBE

WMTBE

PNCUS BL1P

LUS BL1P

NOVEMBER 17, 2014

2 DAYS PROVIDER COURSES

1/2 DAY TRAINER COURSE

08.30 > 13.00

USLS BL1P

USLS AL1P

WBE

WMTBE

PNCUS BL1P

LUS BL1P

14.00 > 18.30

USLS BL1P

USLS AL1P

PNCUS BL1P

LUS BL1P

USLS BL1T

NOVEMBER 18, 2014

08.30 > 09.50

PLENARY 1 - WINFOCUS: a decade of visual wisdom

09.50 > 10.20

TEA BREAK

10.30 > 11.30

SYMPOSIUM 1
UltraSound Medical Education

SYMPOSIUM 2
Paediatric/Neonatal UltraSound

WORKSHOPS 1
A. TransCranial Doppler (TCD)
B. Spine sonography & lumbar puncture
C. Abdomen Ultrasound: E-FAST and beyond

11.30 > 12.30

PLENARY 2 - Trauma

12.30 > 13.15

OPENING CEREMONY BY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HEALTH

13.15 > 14.00

LUNCH

14.00 > 15.20

PLENARY 3 - New perspectives in Critical UltraSound

15.30 > 15.50

TEA BREAK

15.50 > 17.10

SYMPOSIUM 3
Health ICT Systems and Virtualization
Using Critical UltraSound

SYMPOSIUM 4
Miscellaneous

WORKSHOPS 2
A. Airway / Lung
B. Regional Anaesthesia
C. Cardiac Arrest Resuscitation

NOVEMBER 19, 2014

08.30 > 10.30

PLENARY 4 - UltraSound in Shock & Sepsis

10.30 > 10.50

TEA BREAK

10.50 > 12.20

Oral Presentation/Free Papers

SYMPOSIUM 5
Miscellaneous

WORKSHOPS 3
A. Focused Cardiac Ultrasound
B. Paediatric Ultrasound
C. MSK

12.20 > 13.00

PLENARY 5 - Peri Operative and Critical Care Echocardiography

13.00 > 13.30

CLOSING CEREMONY
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NOVEMBER 15, 2014

14.30 > 18.30

ULTRASOUND CERTIFICATION EXAMS

Certification type to be selected while registering

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Mahathar Wahab (*Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*)

WINFOCUS BASIC ECHO FOCUSED CARDIAC ULTRASOUND

FACULTY: Yangong Chao (*Beijing, China*)
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Ramon Nogué Bou (*Lleida, Spain*)
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Gabriele Via (*Pavia, Italy*)
Tomas Villén (*Madrid, Spain*)
Xiaoting Wang (*Beijing, China*)

LUNG ULTRASOUND - BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER

FACULTY: Carmela Graci (*Milan, Italy*)
Vicki E. Noble (*Boston, USA*)
Farina Mohd Salleh (*Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*)
Giovanni Volpicelli (*Turin, Italy*)

OBJECTIVE: Competence-based Certification of Critical UltraSound skill set.

FORMAT: Half-day module, questionnaire, video clip interpretation, practice on models, discussion on the performed ultrasound activity and research proposal.

PRE-REQUISITES: Physicians applying for this exam should have attended a corresponding Winfocus Provider Course and have to be skilled in focused Ultrasound according to the reference module, as described at www.winfocus.org/world/kualalumpur2014

2 DAYS ULTRASOUND PROVIDER COURSES

NOVEMBER 16-17, 2014

08.30 > 18.30

ULTRASOUND LIFE SUPPORT - BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [USLS BL1P]

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Shaik Farid Abdull Wahab (*Kelantan, Malaysia*)

OBJECTIVE: Level 1 Basic UltraSound management for the critically ill or injured patient.

FORMAT: 2-days course, 8h lectures & interactive cases, 8h hands on & simulation, ABCDE & Head-to-Toes conformed.

08.30 > 18.30

ULTRASOUND LIFE SUPPORT ADVANCED LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [USLS AL1P]

DIRECTOR: Gian A. Cibinel (*Turin, Italy*)
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Mohammad Fadhly Yahya (*Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*)

OBJECTIVE: Level 1 Advanced UltraSound management for the critically ill or injured patient.

FORMAT: 2-days course, 8h lectures & interactive cases, 8h hands on & simulation, ABCDE & Head-to-Toes conformed.

NOVEMBER 16: 08.30 > 18.30

NOVEMBER 17: 08.30 > 13.00

WINFOCUS BASIC ECHO FOCUSED CARDIAC ULTRASOUND [WBE]

DIRECTOR: Gabriele Via (*Pavia, Italy*)
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Gerardo Rodriguez (*Boston, USA*)
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Xiaoting Wang (*Beijing, China*)

OBJECTIVE: Focused Echocardiography in Emergency, Critical & Intensive Care.

FORMAT: 1 and 1/2 days course, 6h lectures & interactive cases, 6h hands on & simulation.

NOVEMBER 16: 08.30 > 18.30

NOVEMBER 17: 08.30 > 13.00

WINFOCUS MORE THAN BASIC ECHO ECHODYNAMICS [WMTBE]

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David Riley (*New York, USA*)
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Gabriele Via (*Pavia, Italy*)

OBJECTIVE: Focused Echocardiography in Emergency, Critical & Intensive Care.

FORMAT: 1 and ½ days course, 6h lectures & interactive cases, 6h hands on & simulation.

08.30 > 18.30

ULTRASOUND IN PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [PNCUS BL1P]

DIRECTOR: Stephanie Doniger (*San Francisco, USA*)

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Gene Ong (*Singapore*)
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Adam Sivitz (*Newark, USA*)
Enrico Storti (*Milan, Italy*)

FACILITATORS: Maznisah Mahmood (*Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*)
Chor Yek Khee (*Sarawak, Malaysia*)

OBJECTIVE: Level 1 Basic UltraSound management for the critically ill or injured pediatric patient.

FORMAT: 2-days course, 8h lectures & interactive cases, 8h hands on & simulation, ABCDE & Head-to-Toes conformed.

08.30 > 18.30

LUNG ULTRASOUND IN PRIMARY EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [LUS BL1P]

DIRECTOR: Giovanni Volpicelli (*Turin, Italy*)

CO-DIRECTOR: Vicki E. Noble (*Boston, USA*)

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Young-Rock Ha (*Seoul, South Korea*)
Farina Mohd Salleh (*Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*)
Peiman Nazerian (*Florence, Italy*)
Hongmin Zhang (*Beijing, China*)

OBJECTIVE: Level 1 Basic Pleural and Lung UltraSound in emergency, anesthesia and ICU settings.

FORMAT: 2-days course, 8h lectures & interactive cases, 8h hands-on & simulation.

1/2 DAY TRAINER COURSE

NOVEMBER 17, 2014

14.30 > 18.30

ULTRASOUND LIFE SUPPORT BASIC LEVEL 1 TRAINER [USLS BL1T]

DIRECTOR: Tomislav Petrovic (*Bobigny, France*)

CO-DIRECTOR: Lawrence Melniker (*New York, USA*)

FACULTY: Luca Neri (*Milan, Italy*)
Philippe Pés (*Nantes, France*)
Enrico Storti (*Milan, Italy*)
Gabriele Via (*Pavia, Italy*)

OBJECTIVE: Sustainable Development & Human Empowerment in teaching Critical UltraSound.

FORMAT: half-day course, lectures, interactive cases and simulation, capability approach conformed.

PRE-REQUISITES: Physicians applying this course should have obtained the competence-based Provider Certification in WINFOCUS USLS BL1P module.

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WINFOCUS: A DECADE OF VISUAL WISDOM

- 08.30 > 08.50 **Critical Ultrasound: Revealing the vision of a future to come**
Luca Neri (Milan, Italy)
- 08.50 > 09.10 **Empowering clinical decisions through sonography**
Newly Elected Winfocus President
- 09.10 > 09.30 **Ultrasound "on the road"**
Tomislav Petrovic (Bobigny, France)
- 09.30 > 09.50 **Consolidating the foundation towards ultrasound leadership for tomorrow**
Enrico Storti (Milan, Italy)
- 09.50 > 10.20 *Tea Break*

PARALLEL SESSIONS

SYMPOSIUM 1

ULTRASOUND MEDICAL EDUCATION

- 10.30 > 10.50 **Impact of Ultrasound Undergraduate Medical Education: Are They Better Doctors?**
Richard Hoppmann (Columbia, USA)
- 10.50 > 11.10 **Simulation in Ultrasound training**
Radou Badea (Cluj Napoca, Romania)
- 11.10 > 11.30 **Credentialing & Privileging in Emergency and Critical Care Ultrasound: past, present and future**
Vicki E. Noble (Boston, USA)

SYMPOSIUM 2

PAEDIATRIC/NEONATAL ULTRASOUND

- 10.30 > 10.50 **Point of Care Ultrasound in Paediatric acute respiratory disease**
James Tsung (New York, USA)
- 10.50 > 11.10 **Focused Cardiac Ultrasound in Congenital Heart Disease for Novices**
Nitha Naqvi (London, UK)
- 11.10 > 11.30 **Pediatric and Neonatal Enhanced haemodynamic management**
Mahmoud Elbalbary (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

WORKSHOPS 1

- 10.30 > 11.30 **A. TransCranial Doppler (TCD)**
FACULTY: Adi Osman (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)
Philippe Pés (Nantes, France)
Tomislav Petrovic (Bobigny, France)
- B. Spine sonography & lumbar puncture**
FACULTY: Azrin Mohd Azidin (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)
Lim Teng Chew (Melaka, Malaysia)
Deepak Govil (New Delhi, India)
Julina Santhi Johami (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)
Shrikanth Srinivasan (New Delhi, India)
- C. Abdomen Ultrasound: E-FAST and beyond**
FACULTY: Young-Rock Ha (Seoul, South Korea)
Miguel Montorfano (Rosario, Argentina)
Ramon Nogué Bou (Lleida, Spain)

TRAUMA

- 11.30 > 11.50 **International Consensus Conference on Trauma Ultrasound: Latest update**
Andrew Kirkpatrick (Calgary, Canada)
- 11.50 > 12.10 **Ultrasound in Paediatric Trauma**
James Tsung (New York, USA)
- 12.10 > 12.30 **Combat Field Ultrasound - The Surgeon's Perspective**
Stephen Robert Smith (New Jersey, USA)

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(Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

13.15 > 14.00 *Lunch*

NEW PERSPECTIVES IN CRITICAL ULTRASOUND

- 14.00 > 14.20 **Lung Ultrasound in the Critically ill - What has changed in past 10 years?**
Daniel Lichtenstein (Paris, France)
- 14.20 > 14.40 **Cutting-Edge Diagnostics multi-organ point-of-care ultrasound: is there enough evidence?**
Giovanni Volpicelli (Turin, Italy)
- 14.40 > 15.00 **Sustainable Human Development through the drive of Point of Care Ultrasound**
Alberta Spreafico (Pavia, Italy)
- 15.00 > 15.20 **Cost-Effectiveness and Socio-economics of global ultrasound in Health Systems**
Larry Melniker (New York, USA)
- 15.20 > 15.50 *Tea Break and poster presentation*

PARALLEL SESSIONS

SYMPOSIUM 3

HEALTH ICT SYSTEMS AND VIRTUALIZATION USING CRITICAL ULTRASOUND

15.50 > 16.10

Global Ultrasound in Telemedicine

Carmela Graci (Milan, Italy)

16.10 > 16.30

The WINFOCUS Brazilian Mission: sharing an Experience

José Muniz Pazeli (Barbacena, Brasil)

16.30 > 16.50

Integration of ultrasound through the patient care process: image acquisition, archiving, reporting, patient management, communication systems (PACS), and data-flow

Radovan Radonic (Zagreb, Croatia)

16.50 > 17.10

Bridging the gap between patients' needs and ultrasound availability: challenges and solutions

Anthony Dean (Philadelphia, USA)

SYMPOSIUM 4

MISCELLANEOUS

15.50 > 16.10

"Cutting-Edge" Pediatric Ultrasound Applications

Stephanie Doniger (San Francisco, USA)

16.10 > 16.30

Ultrasound for joint injuries and dislocation

Chi-Kit Yuen (Hong Kong)

16.30 > 16.50

Ultrasound for Out of hospital cardiac arrest

Gregor Prosen (Maribor, Slovenia)

16.50 > 17.10

Ultrasound and weaning from mechanical ventilation

Arif Hussain (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

WORKSHOPS 2

15.50 > 17.10

A. Airway / Lung

FACULTY: Francis Lee (Singapore)

Daniel Lichtenstein (Paris, France)

Vicki E. Noble (Boston, USA)

Giovanni Volpicelli (Turin, Italy)

B. Regional Anaesthesia

FACULTY: Ahmad Affi Mohd Arshad (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

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Gian A. Cibinel (Turin, Italy)

Shahridan Fathil (Johor Bahru, Malaysia)

Julina Santhi Johami (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

Sajid Shahul (Boston, USA)

C. Cardiac Arrest Resuscitation

FACULTY: Toh Hong Chuen (Singapore)

Vito Cianci (Vicenza, Italy)

Philippe Pés (Nantes, France)

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ULTRASOUND IN SHOCK & SEPSIS

08.30 > 09.00

Point-of-care ultrasound screening for the source of sepsis

Tomas Villén (Madrid, Spain)

09.00 > 09.30

The lung in sepsis: Ultrasound monitoring and evaluation of respiratory Interventions

Gabriele Via (Pavia, Italy)

09.30 > 10.00

Ultrasound monitoring of global hemodynamics in sepsis

Sajid Shahul (Springfield, USA)

10.00 > 10.30

Ultrasound in Peri-Resuscitation for the assessment of organ perfusion

Lawrence Melniker (New York, USA)

10.30 > 10.50

Tea Break

PARALLEL SESSIONS

10.50 > 12.00

ORAL PRESENTATION/FREE PAPERS

SYMPOSIUM 5

MISCELLANEOUS

10.50 > 11.20

Ultrasound-guided Invasive Procedures in EM/Critical Care

Adi Osman (Ipoh, Malaysia)

11.20 > 11.50

Clinically integrated abdominal ultrasound in Critical Care

Young-Rock Ha (Seoul, South Korea)

11.50 > 12.20

Point of care ultrasound in the management of vascular trauma

Miguel Montorfano (Rosario, Argentina)

10.50 > 12.20

WORKSHOPS 3

A. Focused Cardiac Ultrasound

FACULTY: Alzamani Idrose (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

Suthaporn Lumlertgul (Bangkok, Thailand)

José Muniz Pazeli (Barbacena, Brazil)

Sazwan Reezal Shamsuddin (Termerloh, Malaysia)

Gabriele Via (Pavia, Italy)

Mahathar Wahab (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

Foong Kit Weng (Ipoh, Malaysia)

B. Paediatric Ultrasound

FACULTY: Alex Arroyo (New York, USA)

Jeff Burzynski (Winnipeg, Canada)

Stephanie Doniger (San Francisco, USA)

Mahmoud Elbarbary (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

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Keng Hwang Teh (Alor Setar, Malaysia)

C. MSK

FACULTY: Radou Badea (Cluj Napoca, Romania)

Richard Hoppmann (Columbia, USA)

Lawrence Melniker (New York, USA)

PERI OPERATIVE AND CRITICAL CARE ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

12.20 > 12.40

Role of Focused Cardiac Ultrasound in the peri-operative setting

Arif Hussain (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

12.40 > 13.00

Echodynamics in the critically ill patient, from FoCUS to Comprehensive: how far?

Guido Tavazzi (Pavia, Italy)

CLOSING CEREMONY

13.00 > 13.30

Announcement of 11th WINFOCUS WORLD CONGRESS

COUNTRY & REGION CATEGORIES

COUNTRY CATEGORY A

- > Andorra, Aruba, Australia, Austria
- > Bahamas, The Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bermuda, Brunei Darussalam
- > Canada, Cayman Islands, Channel Islands, Croatia, Curaçao, Cyprus, Czech Republic
- > Denmark
- > Estonia, Equatorial Guinea
- > Faeroe Islands, Finland, France, French Polynesia
- > Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Greenland, Guam
- > Hong Kong SAR (China), Hungary
- > Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy
- > Japan
- > Korea, Rep. Kuwait
- > Liechtenstein, Luxembourg
- > Macao SAR (China), Malta, Monaco
- > Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Northern Mariana Islands, Norway
- > Oman
- > Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico
- > Qatar
- > San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sint Maarten, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, St. Martin, Sweden, Switzerland
- > Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands
- > United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States of America
- > Virgin Islands (USA)

COUNTRY CATEGORY B

- > Albania, Algeria, American Samoa, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan
- > Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria
- > Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba
- > Dominica, Dominican Republic
- > Ecuador
- > Gabon, Grenada
- > Iran, Islamic Rep.
- > Jamaica, Jordan
- > Kazakhstan
- > Latvia, Lebanon, Libya, Lithuania
- > Macedonia FYR, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mayotte, Mexico, Montenegro
- > Namibia
- > Palau, Panama, Peru
- > Romania, Russian Federation
- > Serbia, Seychelles, South Africa, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname
- > Taiwan, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey
- > Uruguay
- > Venezuela RB

COUNTRY CATEGORY C

- > Angola, Armenia
- > Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia
- > Cameroon, Cape Verde, Congo Rep., Côte d'Ivoire
- > Djibouti
- > Egypt (Arab Rep.), El Salvador
- > Fiji
- > Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guyana
- > Honduras
- > Indonesia, India, Iraq
- > Kiribati, Kosovo
- > Lao PDR, Lesotho
- > Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Micronesia Fed. Sts., Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco
- > Nicaragua, Nigeria
- > Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Philippines
- > Samoa, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic
- > Timor-Leste, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu
- > Ukraine, Uzbekistan
- > Vanuatu, Vietnam
- > West Bank and Gaza; Yemen Rep.
- > Zambia

COUNTRY CATEGORY D

- > Afghanistan
- > Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi
- > Cambodia, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo Rep.
- > Eritrea, Ethiopia
- > Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau
- > Haiti
- > Kenya, Korea Dem. Rep., Kyrgyz Republic
- > Liberia
- > Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Myanmar
- > Nepal, Niger
- > Rwanda
- > Sierra Leone, Somalia
- > Tajikistan, Tanzania, Togo
- > Uganda
- > Zimbabwe

REGISTRATION FEES

2 DAYS ULTRASOUND PROVIDER COURSES

NOVEMBER 16-17, 2014

- **ULTRASOUND LIFE SUPPORT - BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [USLS BL1P]**
- **ULTRASOUND LIFE SUPPORT - ADVANCED LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [USLS AL1P]**
- **WINFOCUS BASIC ECHO - FOCUSED CARDIAC ULTRASOUND [WBE]**
- **WINFOCUS MORE THAN BASIC ECHO - ECHODYNAMICS [WMTBE]**
- **ULTRASOUND IN PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE - BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [PNCUS BL1P]**
- **LUNG ULTRASOUND IN PRIMARY EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE - BASIC LEVEL 1 PROVIDER [LUS BL1P]**

CATEGORY	By Oct. 12	After Oct. 12	On site After Nov. 7
Physicians Country Category A	€ 420	€ 550	€ 1.000
Winfocus Members Country Category A	€ 260	€ 390	€ 700
Physicians Country Category B, C	€ 140	€ 230	€ 400
Winfocus Members Country Category B, C; Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate Students	€ 100	€ 180	€ 300
Physicians Country Category D	€ 100	€ 180	€ 300
Winfocus Members Country Category D	€ 80	€ 160	€ 250

* Fees are to be considered per each Course

1/2 DAY ULTRASOUND CERTIFICATION EXAMS & TRAINER COURSE

NOVEMBER 15 & 17, 2014

CATEGORY	FEE*	FEE*	On site After Nov. 7
Physicians Country Category A	€ 150	€ 300	
Winfocus Members Country Category A	€ 100	€ 200	
Physicians Country Category B, C	€ 100	€ 200	
Winfocus Members Country Category B, C; Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate Students	€ 80	€ 160	
Physicians Country Category D	€ 70	€ 140	
Winfocus Members Country Category D	€ 50	€ 100	

* Fees are to be considered per each Exam or Course

CONGRESS (PLENARY & PARALLEL SESSIONS)

NOVEMBER 18-19, 2014

CATEGORY	By Oct. 12	After Oct. 12	On site After Nov. 7
Physicians Country Category A	€ 280	€ 330	€ 600
Winfocus Members Country Category A	€ 230	€ 250	€ 450
Physicians Country Category B, C	€ 140	€ 230	€ 400
Winfocus Members Country Category B, C; Post-Graduate Students	€ 100	€ 200	€ 350
Physicians Country Category D	€ 100	€ 200	€ 350
Winfocus Members Country Category D	€ 80	€ 160	€ 300
Under-Graduate Students and Nurses*	Free	Free	Free

* Participation will be confirmed according to the seats availability

2 DAYS ULTRASOUND PROVIDER COURSES + CONGRESS (PLENARY & PARALLEL SESSIONS)

NOVEMBER 16-19, 2014

CATEGORY	By Oct. 12	After Oct. 12	On site After Nov. 7
Physicians Country Category A	€ 600	€ 750	€ 1400
Winfocus Members Country Category A	€ 420	€ 550	€ 1000
Physicians Country Category B, C	€ 230	€ 390	€ 700
Winfocus Members Country Category B, C; Post-Graduate Students	€ 170	€ 330	€ 600
Physicians Country Category D	€ 170	€ 330	€ 600
Winfocus Members Country Category D	€ 140	€ 280	€ 500

Please note that reduced fees for WINFOCUS members will be applied also to members of the following Societies:

- ISCCM Indian Society of Critical Care Medicine
- SEMI Society For Emergency Medicine, India
- SIAATIP Società Italiana di Anestesia Analgesia e Terapia Intensiva Pediatrica
- SUA Society for Ultrasound in Anaesthesia
- Academy of Medicine of Malaysia:
 - College of Emergency Physicians
 - College of Anaesthesiologists
 - College of Paediatrics
- MASTEM Malaysian Society of Traumatology and Emergency Medicine
- MSA Malaysian Society of Anaesthesiologists
- MSIC Malaysian Society of Intensive Care
- SUCCES Malaysian Society of Critical & Emergency Sonography

HOW TO REGISTER

On-line registration at:

- > www.winfocus.org/world/kualalumpur2014
- > www.noemacongressi.it

ULTRASOUND PROVIDER AND TRAINER COURSES

Registration fee includes:

- > Course scientific sessions, hands-on & simulations (one trainer for maximum 6 students)
- > Course kit
- > Certificate of attendance
- > Morning and afternoon coffee break, lunch

ULTRASOUND CERTIFICATION EXAMS

Registration fee includes:

- > Certification exam *
- > Competence-based certificate (only in case the candidate passes the exam)
- > Coffee break

** It is compulsory to select the certification type the candidate is applying for while registering*

CONGRESS (PLENARY & PARALLEL SESSIONS)

Registration fee includes:

- > Plenary sessions
- > Parallel Sessions on November 18-19 *
- > Congress Kit
- > Certificate of attendance
- > Morning and afternoon coffee break, lunch

** It is compulsory to select the Parallel Sessions the participant is interested in while registering.*

UNDER-GRADUATE STUDENTS AND NURSES

Participation of Under-Graduate Students and Nurses to the Congress Plenary & Parallel Sessions on November 18-19 will be confirmed according to the seats availability.

WINFOCUS MEMBERS

Discounted fees can be granted only to those who are up-to date with 2014 membership payment.

REDUCED FEES

Reduced fees for WINFOCUS members will be applied also to Post-Graduate Students and to members of the following Societies:

ISCCM, SEMI, SUA, SIATIP, MASTEM, MSA, MSIC, SUCCES, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia (College of Emergency Physicians, College of Anaesthesiologists, College of Paediatrics).

INVOICE

The invoice will be sent by mail before the Congress. Invoice must be issued to all registered participants.

Please pay attention to correctly fill out the Invoice data section. Incomplete registrations will not be considered.

CANCELLATION

Cancellations have to be compulsorily communicated to the Organizing Secretariat in written (by email or fax).

50% of the amount will be refunded in case of cancellation **within September 30, 2014**. After this date no refund will be possible.

IMPORTANT DATES

Please remember that:

- > Deadline for cancellation of registration, with reimbursement of 50% of the fee, is September 30, 2014
- > Deadline for reduced fee is October 12, 2014
- > Deadline for online registrations is November 7, 2014.
After this date registration will be possible only on site.

LANGUAGE

English is the official language of the Congress. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

WINFOCUS CERTIFICATES

WINFOCUS attendance certificates will be given to participants at the end of Courses and Congress Plenary.

Any Ultrasound Provider Course may also represent the entry module for further 'competence-based' international certification (see details at www.winfocus.org/uscme/uscmc).

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

Malaysian CME credits for Pre-Congress Courses and Congress (Plenary & Parallel Sessions) will be requested by Malaysian Medical Association.

ABSTRACT & POSTER PRESENTATION

Those interested in presenting papers related to the Congress topics may upload an abstract at www.winfocus.org/world/kualalumpur2014/abstracts no **later than September 14, 2014**. Uploaded abstracts will be evaluated by a dedicated WINFOCUS Committee.

All the accepted papers could be presented as posters during the Congress and will be published on the Critical Ultrasound Journal (the official Journal of WINFOCUS, by Springer).

Moreover, eight of them will be selected and could be presented orally during the Congress Plenary on November 19. Abstract must be typed and presented in English.

Acceptance will be communicated by email to the first author indicated in the online form, together with presentation details, by October 10, 2014.

Presenters have to be regularly registered to the Congress, unless faculty members.

POSTERS

Maximum poster size is 85 cm (width) x 120 cm (height). Authors will be asked to present their poster to the Evaluation Committee and the attendees during a dedicated session, to be communicated upon poster acceptance.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

A maximum time-frame of 10 minutes (3 min. short overview of state of the art + 7 min. presentation of study project/results) for 9 presentations will be assigned to each of them. Audio-visual equipment will be provided in Congress Plenary room.

BEST PAPER PRIZE

The best paper author will be granted of:

- > registration fee reimbursement
- > 2015 Winfocus events worldwide free registration
- > 500 Euros special prize

GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE

The Royale Chulan Hotel

No.5, Jalan Conlay, 50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

TRANSFER AND TRANSPORT

Kuala Lumpur city is served by Kuala Lumpur International Airport, commonly known as KLIA. It is one of the Southeast Asia's major gateways operated by 40 Airlines and its own carrier, Malaysia Airlines. It is situated in the Sepang district approximately 50 kilometers (31 miles) from the city.

There are two major terminals in KLIA- the Main Terminal and the Satellite Terminal which accommodates all international flights departing and arriving at KLIA. These two terminals are connected to the automatic train service to KL Sentral.

From the Airport, getting to City center is very easy with the availability of extensive modes of transportation like buses, trains, taxis, Limo service and Shuttle service.

ACCOMMODATION

People who wish to stay at the Congress Venue, The Royale Chulan Hotel, may take advantage of the special rates reserved for Congress participants. Here find below the Hotel contacts. Remember to make reference to the 10th Winfocus World Congress while booking your accommodation.

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SOCIAL TOURS

Congress participants who wish to visit Kuala Lumpur and surroundings, may choose from a selection of the most popular and attractive tours reserved for delegates and organized according to special rates.

Here find below some proposals.

Day Tours & Excursions

- > **Kuala Lumpur City Tour (3.5 hours):** The beauty and intrigue of Kuala Lumpur in one sweep. This tour gives you a colourful spectrum of Malaysian architecture, history, culture, heritage, crafts and lifestyle
- > **Malaysia's Cultural Night Tour (3 hours):** Mingle with the locals at bustling Chinatown and enjoy a potpourri of different Malaysian cultural performances while tucking in a sumptuous Malay buffet dinner in Kuala Lumpur
- > **Historical Melaka (8 hours):** Learn of the history of Malaysia in Malacca - the "Historical City" - with a legacy dating back 600 years from the Malay Sultanates to Portuguese, Dutch and English influences
- > **Batu Caves, Arts and Handicrafts (3.5 hours):** Visit one of Malaysia's most popular Hindu shrines and have the option to see how two of Malaysia's most distinctive crafts are produced at the Royal Selangor Pewter factory and a batik production center
- > **Genting highlands - city of entertainment (7 hours):** et a reprieve from the heat and humidity of the city at Genting Highlands, a popular nearby hill resort situated over 1,700 meters above sea level

- > **Garden & parks tour (3.5 hours):** Kuala Lumpur Lake Garden is also known as Taman Tasik Perdana (Perdana Lake Garden) and is the first public park in the city. It provides a big recreational area for city folks who need a to take a break from the normal routine. It's built around 2 lakes and many other attractions
- > **Kuala Lumpur Heritage Trail (4 hours):** A unique walking tour of heritage precinct in the city. View the Sri Maha Mariamman Hindu Temple – built in a unique human-like shape. Sample a cup of frothy "The Tarik" and stroll past the old Victoria's Jubilee Fund Building. Next in sight is the Chan See Shu Yuen Association – a fine example of old Chinese temple architecture. The walk ends at the bustling Chinatown street market.
- > **Night Out At Kl Tower (3 hours):** Dine up at 282 meters above the ground at a revolving restaurant on KL Tower and enjoy a breathtaking panoramic view of Kuala Lumpur after sunset.

Overnight Tours

- > **Langkawi Tour (3 nights/4 days)**
- > **Penang Tour (2 nights/3 days)**
- > **Melaka Tour (1 night/2 days)**

Here the contact of the reference company.

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Civil Defense 991

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Persatuan Radio 03 2693 6211

Public Cab 03 6259 2020

Radio Cab 03 9221 7600

Saujana 03 2162 8888

Silvertop 03 4023 1267

Supercab 03 7875 7333

Sunlight 03 9058 9986

Teletaxi 03 9221 1011

ABOUT MALAYSIA

THE LAND

Located in the tropics, Malaysia straddles the South China Sea – Peninsular Malaysia is at the tip of mainland Southeast Asia, while the states of Sabah and Sarawak are on the island of Borneo. The nation's natural diversity offers visitors a range of attractions including beautiful beaches, idyllic islands, cool hill stations, historic towns, a dynamic capital and the world's oldest rainforests with an astounding diversity of flora and fauna.

THE PEOPLE

Malaysia is truly multicultural and one of its greatest resources is its rich cultural diversity. Malays number around half of the total population of over 25 million, while the other half comprises Chinese, Indians, Ibans, Kadazans and other ethnic groups.

LANGUAGE

Bahasa Malaysia (Malay) is the national and official language of the country. English is widely used all over the country. Other languages are Mandarin and Tamil.

RELIGION

The official religion of Malaysia is Islam. However, Buddhism, Taoism, Hinduism and Christianity are widely practised by the various races.

CLIMATE AND CLOTHING

Malaysia has an equatorial climate with uniform temperatures throughout the year. Temperatures range from 32°C during the day to 22°C during the night. It is slightly cooler in the hill country. Rainfall is common throughout the year, averaging 200 – 250 cm a year. Light comfortable clothing is the norm with lightweight woollens required for visits to highland areas.

CURRENCY AND BANKING

The Malaysian Ringgit (RM) is issued in notes from RM 100 to RM 1, and coins from RM 1 to one sen (cents). The current exchange rate is USD 1 = RM 3.55 (subject to currency exchange rate fluctuations). Major credit cards are accepted in cities and large towns.

TIME

Standard Malaysian Time is eight hours ahead of GMT.

UTILITIES

Electricity supply in Malaysia is 240-volt, 50 hz.

IMMIGRATION FORMALITIES

Entry

A valid passport (and visa if applicable) with a minimum of 6 months validity is required for all persons entering Malaysia. A valid passport is also necessary for travel between Peninsular Malaysia and the East Malaysian States of Sabah and Sarawak, as well as between Sabah and Sarawak.

VISA

No visa is required for nationals of Commonwealth countries (except Bangladesh, India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka), Republic of Ireland, Switzerland, Netherlands, San Marino and Liechtenstein.

No visa is required for stay not exceeding three months for nationals of:

Algeria, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Czech Rep., Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Morocco, North Yemen, Norway, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Slovak, Korea Rep., Sweden, Tunisia, Turkey, U.A.E., U.S.A.

No visa is required for stay of not more than one month for nationals of all ASEAN countries. For stay exceeding one month, visas will be required, except for nationals of Brunei and Singapore.

No visa is required for stay not exceeding one month for nationals of:

Argentina, Angola, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Brazil, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Corsica, Costa Rica, Croatia, Djibouti, Dominica Rep., Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Gabon, Greece, Greenland, Guam, Guatemala, Guinea, Laos, Macedonia, Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, Zaire.

No visa is required for stay not exceeding 14 days for nationals of:

Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Libya, S. Yemen, Syria.

No visa is required for stay not exceeding 7 days for nationals of:

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kirghizstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldavia, Romania, Russian Fed., Tadjikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan.

Note: Nationals of Bangladesh, Bhutan, People's Republic of China, Cuba, India, Myanmar, Nepal, North Korea, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Vietnam, and Certificate of Identity (CI) holders must obtain a visa before entering Malaysia. For further information, please refer to Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia at <http://www.kln.gov.my> or Immigration Department of Malaysia at <http://www.imi.gov.my>

IMMIGRATION

A disembarkation card and a quarantine declaration card will be given out on all inbound flights. All visitors are required to complete the disembarkation card. The Quarantine Declaration Card must be completed by Malaysian citizens and all visitors. In addition, a Travellers Declaration Form (TDF) must be filled in by all arrival and departing travellers (including children) regardless of the amount of currency carried. It should be handed to the Immigration Officer together with disembarkation card, quarantine declaration card and passport.

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