

Symposium Director: Ms. Cynthia-Michelle Borg, MD, FRCS (UK)
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13.30 - 13.40 **Welcome: Dr. Luc Lemmens (Belgium), President of the 6th IFSO-EC Congress**
Introduction: Ms. Cynthia-Michelle Borg, MD, FRCS (UK), Symposium Director:
Update on Future IBC symposia/website/journal

13.40 - 14.20 **Keynote Lectures:**

Chairpersons: Dr. Luigi Angrisani (Italy), Prof. Dr. Rudolf Weiner (Germany)

1. Robotic bariatric surgery update – 15 minutes
Presenter: Dr. Ramon Vilallonga Puy (Spain)
Discussion: 5 min

2. Endoluminal management of weight regain after primary bariatric surgery – 15 minutes
Presenter: Dr. George Eid (USA)
Discussion: 5 min

14.20 - 15.20 **Debates**

1. Staple line reinforcement should be always be used when performing sleeve gastrectomy
Pro: Prof Dr. Michel Gagner (Canada) 7 minutes (3 minutes rebuttal),
Against: Dr. Catalin Copaescu (Romania) 7 min (3 minutes rebuttal),
Moderator: Dr. Surendra Ugale (India)
10 minutes – audience participation and vote

2. Malabsorptive bariatric surgeries will be obsolete in 10 years time
Pro: Dr. Martin Freid (Czech Republic) 7 minutes (3 minutes rebuttal),
Against: Dr. Antonio Torres Garcia (Spain) 7 min (3 minutes rebuttal),
Moderator: Dr. Jacques Himpens (Belgium)
10 minutes – audience participation and vote

15.20 - 16.20 **Expert panel discussion**

Expert Panel Members: Sanjay Agrawal, Luigi Angrisani, Jean-Marc Chevallier,
Catalin Copaescu, Bruno Dillemans, Evangelos Efthimiou, George Eid, Michel Gagner,
Jacques Himpens, Antonio Torres Garcia, Surendra Ugale, Rudolf Weiner

1. Leader: Dr. George Eid (USA)

The role of the adjustable band in revisional surgery (15 min)/5 min – audience

2. Leader: Mr. Evangelos Efthimiou, FRCS (UK)

Investigation and management of extreme weight loss after gastric bypass (15 min)/5 min – audience

3. Leader: Dr. Catalin Copaescu (Romania)

Ileal interposition – is there a future for this procedure? (15 min)/5 min – audience

16.20 - 16.50 **Two interesting case discussions from IBC FB page**

Leader: Dr. Marius Nedelcu (France)

16.50 **Close**

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