



EUROPEAN UNION OF
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1st UEMS Congress

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27-30 May 2026



UZ Leuven, Campus Gasthuisberg,
Leuven (BE)



Programme at a glance

Wednesday 27th May	Thursday 28th May	Friday 29th May	Saturday 30th May
17:00 - 18:30 • Opening Plenary session 18:30 - 20:00 • <i>Networking reception</i>	9:00 - 10:00 • Plenary session 10:00 - 11:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions <i>Coffee break</i> 11:30 - 13:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions <i>Lunch break</i> 14:00 - 15:00 • Plenary session 15:00 - 16:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions <i>Coffee break</i> 16:30 - 18:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions	9:00 - 10:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions 10:00 - 11:00 • Plenary session <i>Coffee break</i> 11:30 - 13:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions <i>Lunch break</i> 14:00 - 16:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions <i>Coffee break</i> 16:30 - 18:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions 19:00 - 22:00 • <i>Congress Dinner</i>	9:00 - 11:00 • Scientific & Thematic sessions <i>Coffee break</i> 11:30 - 12:30 • Scientific & Thematic sessions 12:30 - 14:00 Closing Plenary session



Plenary sessions

5 plenary sessions covering the following themes

- ▶ **European health:** connectivity and inter-dependance of healthcare systems within Europe and between Europe and the rest of the world
- ▶ **AI/ Machine learning:** how to educate and train medical students, trainee doctors and specialists for the new inevitable realities
- ▶ **European medical workforce:** planning, make medicine attractive, sustain and support the workforce, respect, prepare for tough realities in the future
- ▶ **European health/ healthcare systems in crisis:** new pandemics, natural disasters, terror attacks, war

FORMAT

3 presenters + 3
panellists+ 1 moderator

Participant preparatory
contributions

Follow-up expert
interviews



Parallel scientific & thematic sessions

Key topics among which

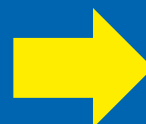
- ▶ **AI & ethics:** dilemmas of modern practice, AI, telemedicine...
- ▶ **UEMS and the world:** global collaboration, CME/CPD beyond Europe,...
- ▶ **Green & sustainable practice:** reducing carbon footprint, environmentally responsible healthcare
- ▶ **Work-life balance:** promoting wellbeing, addressing burnout
- ▶ **Response to disasters:** medical readiness and responses
- ▶ **Mental health in the medical profession:** supporting resilience, improving workplace mental health
- ▶ **Training and education:** ETRs, examinations & innovative approaches to medical assessment
- ▶ **Accreditation:** innovative approach to CME, impact of life-long learning in careers
- ▶ **Legal issues:** legal challenges affecting medical practice



Mentorship initiative

A unique opportunity to:

- ▶ **Connect** with colleagues from across Europe.
- ▶ **Engage** in one-to-one conversations on professional and medical matters.
- ▶ **Exchange** insights on healthcare systems, specialist training, and career development.
- ▶ **Offer or receive** advice, support, and guidance in a collegial and informal setting.



More information on the submission process is available at www.uems.eu/mentorship-initiative



Call for abstracts

POSSIBLE THEMES

- ✓ European health
- ✓ AI/ Machine learning
- ✓ European medical workforce
- ✓ European health/ healthcare systems in crisis
- ✓ AI & ethics
- ✓ UEMS and the world
- ✓ Green & sustainable practice
- ✓ Work-life balance
- ✓ Response to Disasters
- ✓ Mental health in the medical profession
- ✓ Training and education
- ✓ Accreditation
- ✓ Legal issues

POSSIBLE FORMATS

- Oral presentation
- Workshop
- Symposium
- Debate
- Panel discussion



Submit your proposal
(in English, 250 words)
by 01/01/2026
at: uemscongress@uems.eu

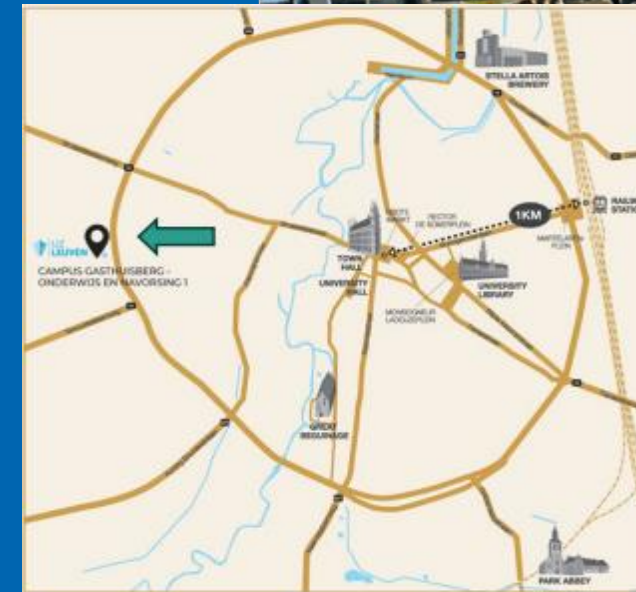


Venue: UZ Leuven, campus Gasthuisberg

- ✓ 15 minutes car ride from Brussels airport
- ✓ 15 minutes bus ride from Leuven city centre



Public transport passes for participants included in the registration
(4 days for €20 pp)





Congress dinner venue

Faculty Club Leuven

in the restored buildings of
the Grand Beguinage
(UNESCO World Heritage)

Located close to Leuven city
centre





Registration fees

	EARLY BIRD (before 01/12/2025)	REGULAR (from 1/12/2025 until 30/04/2026)	LATE/ON SITE (after 01/05/2026)
On site attendance			
Non member	685	785	885
UEMS member	585	685	785
Virtual attendance			
Non member	585	685	685
UEMS member	485	585	585
1-day registration			
Non member	285	335	385
UEMS member	235	285	335
Exhibitor (no access to sessions)	435	535	635



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