

*Chairman: Prof. Filippo Crea*

# *International Conference*

Focus on hot topics in cardiovascular  
medicine with the editors of the  
European Heart Journal

*Preliminary  
program*

*9th-10th May 2025*

**Ospedale Isola Tiberina**  
Gemelli Isola

**Centro congressi Europa**  
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# *Scientific rationale*

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Cardiology keeps evolving and the answer to old questions always generates interesting new questions. In this Conference the Editors of the European Heart Journal will address important questions in the main fields of cardiovascular medicine which stem from recently published guidelines and are relevant for daily clinical practice.

The fields which will be treated are prevention, ischemic heart disease, heart failure, arrhythmias, cardio-oncology, valvular heart disease and congenital heart disease.

Each session will be followed by a discussion with active involvement of the audience.

The goal is to have an exhaustive interactive update with international leaders on hot topics in cardiovascular disease.

*Filippo Crea*



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**Thursday 8 May**

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**6.30 p.m - 8.00 p.m.**

**Editors' Meeting (Editors of the European Heart Journal)**

**Friday 9 May**

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**08.45 a.m. - 09.00 a.m.**

**Welcome addresses**

*Francesco Burzotta, Filippo Crea, Antonio Gasbarrini*

**Session 1 - Prevention**

*Chairpersons: Filippo Crea (Rome), Ciro Indolfi (Catanzaro), Pasquale Perrone Filardi (Naples)*

**09.00 a.m. - 09.20 a.m.**

**Risk charts: how can we capture the residual risk?**

*Emanuele Di Angelantonio (Cambridge)*

**09.20 a.m. – 9.40 a.m.**

**Polycgenic risk scores: ready for clinical use?**

*Heribert Schunkert (Munich)*

**09.40 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.**

**Bioimaging: better than biomarkers?**

*Charalambos Antoniades (Oxford)*

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**10.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.**

Discussion

**10.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.**

Coffee break

*Chairpersons: Furio Colivicchi (Rome), Giampaolo Niccoli (Parma), Massimo Volpe (Rome)*

**11.00 a.m. – 11.20 a.m.**

**Lipid-lowering drugs: what comes next?**

*Lale Tokgozoglu (Ankara)*

**11.20 a.m. – 11.40 a.m.**

**Anti-hypertensive drugs: what comes next?**

*Stefano Taddei (Pisa)*

**11.40 a.m. – 12.00 p.m.**

**Anti-inflammatory drugs: how to identify responders?**

*Giovanna Liuzzo (Rome)*

**12.00 p.m. – 12.30 p.m.**

Discussion

**12.30 p.m. - 01.30 p.m.**

Lunch

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## Session 2 - Ischemic heart disease

*Chairpersons: Gaetano Antonio Lanza (Rome), Italo Porto (Genoa), Rocco Vergallo (Genoa)*

**01.30 p.m. - 01.50 p.m.**

**Mechanisms of atherosclerosis: what are the new therapeutic targets?**

*Lina Badimon (Barcelona)*

**01.50 p.m. - 02.10 p.m.**

**Do we need a new nomenclature of IHD?**

*Raffaele De Caterina (Chieti)*

**02.10 p.m. - 02.30 p.m.**

**Diagnostic workup in suspected angina: anatomy, function or both?**

*Felicita Andreotti (Rome)*

**02.30 p.m. - 03.00 p.m.**

**Discussion**

**03.00 p.m. - 03.30 p.m.**

**Coffee break**

*Chairpersons: Antonio Maria Leone (Rome), Rocco Montone (Rome),*

*Daniela Pedicino (Rome)*

**03.30 p.m. - 3.50 p.m.**

**Mechanisms of acute coronary syndromes: are we ready for a stratified pathophysiology-based treatment?**

*Peter Libby (Boston)*

**3.50 p.m. - 04.10 p.m.**

**Antithrombotic treatment in secondary prevention: Aspirin, P2Y12-inhibitors, or both?**

*Carlo Patrono (Rome)*

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**04.10 – 4.30 p.m.**

**PCI vs OMT in low-risk patients: do we need PCI?**

*Colin Berry (Glasgow)*

**4.30-4.50 p.m.**

**PCI vs CABG in high-risk patients: do we need PCI?**

*Francesco Burzotta (Rome)*

**04.50 p.m. - 05.30 p.m.**

**Discussion**

**Saturday 10 May**

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## **Session 3 - Cardio-oncology, valvular heart disease and heart failure**

*Chairpersons: Cristina Aurigemma (Rome), Domenico D'Amario (Novara), Enrico Romagnoli (Rome)*

**08.30 a.m. - 08.50 a.m.**

**Challenges in cardio-oncology: how to decide in the absence of trials?**

*Teresa Lopez Fernandez (Madrid)*

**08.50 a.m. – 09.10 a.m.**

**TAVI vs SAVR in aortic stenosis: where is the sweet spot?**

*Helmut Baumgartner (Münster)*

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**09.10 a.m. – 09.30 a.m.**

**Drug therapy of HFpEF: what comes next?**

*Michael Böhm (Homburg/Saar)*

**09.30 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.**

**Discussion**

## ***Session 4 - Congenital heart disease and cardiomyopathies***

*Chairpersons: Francesca Graziani (Rome), Marco Metra (Brescia),*

*Gianfranco Sinagra (Trieste)*

**10.00 a.m. – 10.20 a.m.**

**Challenges in adult congenital heart disease: how to optimize the difficult transition from children to adults?**

*Margarita Brida (London)*

**10.20 -10.40.**

**Risk scores for cardiomyopathies: which are ready for clinical utilization?**

*Perry Elliott (London)*

**10.40 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.**

**Discussion**

**11.00 a.m. – 11.20 a.m.**

**Coffee break**

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## **Session 5 - Arrhythmias**

*Chairpersons: Maria Lucia Narducci (Rome), Gemma Pelargonio (Rome), Tommaso Sanna (Rome)*

### **11.20 a.m. - 11.40 a.m.**

**Device-detected AF: same pharmacological treatment as for clinical AF?**

*Paulus Kirchhof (Hamburg)*

### **11.40 a.m. – 12.00 a.m.**

**Atrial fibrillation recurrence prevention: pulse, radiofrequency, cryoablation or drugs?**

*Robert Hatala (Bratislava)*

### **12.00 a.m. – 12.20 p.m.**

**Resynchronization therapy: are the indications like 20 years ago?**

*Cecilia Linde (Stockholm)*

### **12.20 p.m. – 12.40 p.m.**

**ICD implantation: are the indications like 20 years ago?**

*Harry Crijns (Maastricht)*

### **12.40 p.m. - 13.20 p.m.**

**Discussion**

### **13.20 a.m. - 13.30 a.m.**

**Closing remarks**

*Filippo Crea (Rome)*



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