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- Commenced in 2010 and held annually in Malta and now online. Has also been held at:
 - The Royal College of Paediatrics, London (2017).
 - The University of Manana, Bahrain (2018).
- Each iteration has led to fine tuning of contents via feedback from successive attendees.
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CORE TOPICS

Preparing: a compelling abstract, an attractive poster, a captivating presentation.

Applying for a grant.

How to lay out a paper.

Which journals to target.

The viewpoint of the journal editor and tackling editors.

Seeking material for publication.

A paper and a thesis – similarities & differences.

Ethics and data protection.

Excel statistical analysis modules and half-day, hands-on stats module.





Prof. Victor Grech is as a consultant paediatrician with a special interest in paediatric cardiology. He has published extensively not only in paediatric cardiology but also in general paediatrics, other aspects of medicine and in the humanities, particularly in the field of science fiction. He is the creator and director of WASP.



Prof. Jane Somerville is a British emeritus professor of cardiology, Imperial College, who is best known for defining the concept and subspecialty of grown ups with congenital heart disease (GUCH) and being chosen as the physician involved with Britain's first heart transplantation in 1968.



Prof. Joseph DeGiovanni is an interventional consultant paediatric cardiologist based in Birmingham (UK), but whose expertise leads him all over the world to pioneer and train others in new interventional techniques and devices as these become available.



Dr. Gauden Galea is a public health physician, currently working as the WHO Representative in China, based in Beijing since April 2018. He has been coordinating the collaboration between WHO and China across all health concerns, with a primary focus on: the COVID-19 response, the review of a decade of health sector reform, advocacy for tobacco and alcohol control, and exploring the digital health landscape of China. On behalf of the Western Pacific Region of WHO, he has been coordinating an effort promoting innovation in public health within the "For the Future" vision of the Region. Dr. Galea has worked for WHO since 1998.



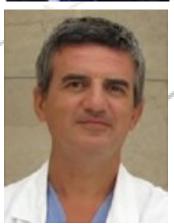
Prof. Ra-id Abdulla is Professor of Pediatrics (Cardiology), Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA and Co-Editor-in-Chief, Pediatric Cardiology. He is also a frequent participant in pediatric cardiology medical missions to the middle East and a member of the medical advisory board of PCRF, an NGO dedicated to providing medical care for children in the Middle East.



Dr. Victor Bautista-Hernandez is Assistant Professor of Congenital Heart Surgery at Baylor College of Medicine and Senior Staff at Children's Hospital of San Antonio (Texas, US).



Prof. Neville Calleja runs the Directorate for Health Information and Statistics within the Ministry responsible for Health in Malta. He has over fifteen years of experience lecturing medical statistics, epidemiology and public health to all health care professionals, together with ethical and scientific review of projects at local and international level.



Dr. Massimo Chessa is a specialist in Cardiology and in Paediatric Cardiology since more than 20 years. He deals with the treatment of Congenital Heart Disease in children, teenagers and adults. Since 2000 he worked at IRCCS-Policlinico San Donato where he is the Head of the Adult Congenital Heart Disease Unit. He works mainly as an interventional cardiologist.



Dr. Sarah Cuschieri is a full-time academic and researcher at the University of Malta in 2013. She is actively involved in a number of collaborative research projects, particularly in the area of the burden of disease including COST ACTION - European Burden of Disease Network. She is also a collaborator with the Islands and Small States Institute, University of Malta.



Prof. Jason Eberl is based at St. Louis University's Albert Gnaegi Center for Health Care Ethics. He originally trained as a philosopher specializing in the works of St. Thomas Aquinas and taught at Indiana University and Marian University's College of Osteopathic Medicine before returning to SLU in spring of 2018.



Dr. Chetan Mehta is a Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist at Birmingham Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.



Dr. Kim Rajappan is a Consultant Cardiologist and Electrophysiologist. He was appointed Consultant Cardiologist at the John Radcliffe Hospital in 2007. Before that he completed advanced training in managing cardiac rhythm disorders at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London with pioneering cardiologist and electrophysiologist, Professor Richard Schilling. He is based in Nuffield.



Dr. Susan Vosloo is a Consultant Cardio-Thoracic Surgeon in Independent Practice since 1991. Interests are surgery for congenital cardiac defects, intensive care management, thoracic transplantation and mechanical assist of the circulation.



Dr. Michele Brunelli is Consultant Cardiologist and Director of the Electrophysiology Lab at Städtisches Klinikum Magdeburg in Germany.



Dr. Hugo Agius Muscat is a consultant public health physician with more than 30 years of experience in health informatics. His hands-on experience and up-to-date knowledge in his specialty has always been passed on to the medical students and post-graduate students that he teaches.