



# International Fetal Medicine Foundation Congress in the Emirates

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SEPTEMBER  
**2024**

**Grand Hyatt  
Abu Dhabi Hotel &  
Residences Abu Dhabi**

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**Dr. Mandeep Singh**  
Conference President



**Prof. Kypros Nicolaides**  
Conference Chairperson

Dear Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the International Fetal Medicine Foundation Congress in the Emirates taking place on the 28-29th September 2024 at the Grand Hyatt Abu Dhabi Hotel & Residences Emirates Pearl in the vibrant city of Abu Dhabi, UAE.

This unique congress will feature cutting-edge research, innovative therapies, and advancements in fetal medicine. International Fetal Medicine Foundation Congress in the Emirates is an event that brings together leading experts and researchers in the field of Fetal Maternal Medicine. Many of you may not have been able to travel to the Fetal Medicine World Congress in Europe. Hence, Prof. Kypros Nicolaides has decided to organize this congress to bring valuable insights and discussions closer to your home.

The event not only offers exceptional educational opportunities but also serves as a platform for networking and interaction with colleagues and experts in the field from across the world. The Scientific Program comprises a diverse selection of educational sessions, featuring cutting-edge presentations, keynote lectures, case presentations and lively interactions with experts in Fetal Medicine.

We look forward to welcoming you to Abu Dhabi in September.

**Dr Mandeep Singh**  
MD FRCOG Dip in Fetal Medicine

Conference President  
Consultant & Subspecialist in Maternal Fetal Medicine  
Director, Kypros Nicolaides Fetal Medicine & Therapy Centre,  
Division Chair, Obstetrics & Gynaecology  
Burjeel Medical City, Abu Dhabi

# Keynote Speakers



**Prof. Kypros Nicolaides**

Founder and Chairman of The Fetal Medicine Foundation, Professor of Fetal Medicine, Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, UK



**Prof. Yves Ville**

Professor and Chairman of Obstetrics and Fetal Medicine at Paris-Cité University and Necker-Enfants Malades Hospital in Paris, France



**Prof. Michael Belfort**

Chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Baylor College of Medicine, Obstetrician and Gynecologist-in-Chief of Texas Children's Hospital, Houston, Texas, USA



**Dr. Tessa Homfray**

Consultant in Medical Genetics at St. George's University Hospital, and the Harris Birthright Research Center for Fetal Medicine at Kings College Hospital London, UK



**Dr. Guillermo Azumendi**

Director of the Ultrasound Unit of Centro Gutenberg, Málaga, Spain



**Prof. Christoph Lees**

Head of Fetal Medicine, Honorary Consultant in Maternal and Fetal Medicine, Queen Charlotte's & Chelsea Hospital London, UK.



**Prof. Eran Bronstein**

Director, Center for Maternal Fetal Medicine and Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology Lenox Hill Hospital, Northwell Health, New York USA



**Prof. Ranjit Akolekar**

Consultant in Fetal Medicine and Obstetrics, Clinical Lead for Research and Innovation Medway Maritime Hospital, UK



**Prof. Gustavo Malinger**

Director, Obstetrics and Gynecology Ultrasound Unit, Lis Maternity and Women's Hospital, The Medical Center, Tel Aviv, Israel



**Prof. Oliver Karl Kagan**

Head of Prenatal Medicine at Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen in Baden-Württemberg, Germany





**Assoc. Prof. Raffaele Napolitano**

Consultant in Maternal Fetal Medicine and Obstetrics, University College London Hospitals, London, UK



**Dr. Ashok Khurana**

Chairman and Consultant in Reproductive Ultrasound at The Ultrasound Lab, New Delhi, India



**Assoc. Prof. Mar Gil**

Specialist in Maternal Fetal Medicine, La Paz University Hospital, Madrid, Spain



**Prof. Mauricio Herrera**

Head Chief of Maternal Fetal Medicine – Obstetric Department, Clinica Colsonitas, Bogota, Colombia



**Dr. Marietta Charakida**

Senior Clinical Lecturer and Honorary Consultant in Fetal and Pediatric Cardiology at Evelina Children’s Hospital and Kings College Hospital London, UK



**Assoc. Prof. Anastasija Arechvo**

Senior Lecturer & Consultant in Fetal Medicine, Kings College Hospital, London, UK



**Prof. Liona Poon**

Chairperson of Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and an Academic Subspecialist in Maternal Fetal Medicine at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China



**Dr. Chander Lulla**

Consultant Radiologist, Jaslok Hospital, Reliance HN Hospital Ria Clinic, Mumbai, India



**Dr. Ghalia Ashoor Almahri**

Consultant in Fetal Medicine & Obstetrics, Kings College Hospital, UK



**Prof. Jack Rychik**

Professor of Pediatrics, Perelman School of Medicine at University of Pennsylvania, Robert & Dolores Harrington Endowed Chair in Cardiology, Associate Chief, Cardiology, The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, USA



# AGENDA

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## Saturday 28th September 2024

- 08:30 - 09:30      **Registration**
- 09:30 - 09:40      **Welcome**  
Mandeep Singh (UAE)
- 09:40 - 10:40      First Trimester**
- 09:40 - 10:00      Diagnosis of Defects  
Eran Bronstein (USA)
- 10:10 - 10:20      Fetal Brain Abnormalities  
Ashok Khurana (India)
- 10:20 - 10:40      Cell Free Dna Testing for Aneuploidies  
Mar Gil (Spain)
- 10:40 - 11:00      Preterm Birth: Prediction and Prevention**  
Ghalia Ashoor Almahri (UK)
- 11:00 - 11:30      **Coffee Break**
- 11:30 - 13:00      Fetal Growth Restriction, Presentation of Cases**  
Christoph Lees /Raffaele Napolitano (UK)
- 13:00 - 14:00      **Lunch Break**
- 14:00 - 15:30      Fetal Neurosonography**
- 14:00 - 14:45      Overview  
Guillermo Azumendi (Spain)
- 14:45 - 15:30      Presentation of Cases  
Gustavo Malinger (Israel)
- 15:30 - 16:10      Fetal Infections**  
Yves Ville (France)
- 16:10 - 16:20      **Establishing a Fetal Medicine & Therapy Center in the UAE**  
Mandeep Singh
- 16:20 - 16:50      **Diagnosis and Management of PAS**  
Michael Belfort (USA)
- 16:50 - 18:00      Fetal Cardiology**
- 16:50 - 17:40      Presentation Of Cases  
Marietta Charakida (UK), Jack Rychik (USA)
- 17:40 - 18:00      **Fetal Cardiac Function Analysis**  
Chander Lulla(India)
- 20:00 - 23:00      **Banquet**

## Sunday 29th September 2024

08:00 - 09:30	<b>Free Communications (5min Each)</b>
09:30 - 10:30	<b>Twin Pregnancy</b> Yves Ville (France), Kypros Nicolaides (UK)
10:30 - 11:00	<b>Maternal Hemodynamics</b> Marietta Charakida (UK)
11:00 - 11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>11:30 - 13:00</b>	<b>Ultrasound Meets Genetics</b>
11:30 - 12:15	Fetal Testing: Defects From Head to Toe Tessa Homfray (UK)
12:15 - 13:00	Presentation of Cases Oliver Karl Kagan (Germany)
13:00 - 14:00	<b>Lunch Break</b>
14:00 - 15:20	<b>Fetal Surgery</b>
14:00 - 14:20	Spina Bifida Michael Belfort (USA)
14:20 - 14:40	Advances & Developments in Fetal Surgery & Therapy Mauricio Herrera (Colombia)
14:40 - 15:00	Artificial Placenta Jack Rychik (USA)
15:00 - 15:20	Other Conditions Yves Ville (France), Kypros Nicolaides (UK)
<b>15:20 - 15:40</b>	<b>Ultrasound in Labour</b> Liona Poon (Hong Kong)
15:40 - 16:10	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16:10 - 17:00</b>	<b>The 36 Weeks Scan</b>
16:10 - 16:30	Overview Kypros Nicolaides (UK)
16:30 - 17:00	Assessment of Fetal Oxygenation Ranjit Akolekar (UK)
<b>17:00 - 18:15</b>	<b>Preeclampsia</b>
17:00 - 17:15	Role of Oral Calcium in Prevention of Preeclampsia Anastasija Arechvo (UK)
17:15 - 17:30	Implementation of 1st Trimester Screening in Asia Liona Poon (Hong Kong)
17:30 - 17:45	Implementation of 1st Trimester Screening in Spain Mar Gil (Spain)
17:45 - 18:15	Prediction And Prevention Kypros Nicolaides (UK)
<b>18:15 - 18:30</b>	<b>Farewell</b> Mandeep Singh (UAE)

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