

THE 38TH EACTS ANNUAL MEETING

# NAVIGATING NEW HORIZONS

Innovate, Discover, Educate

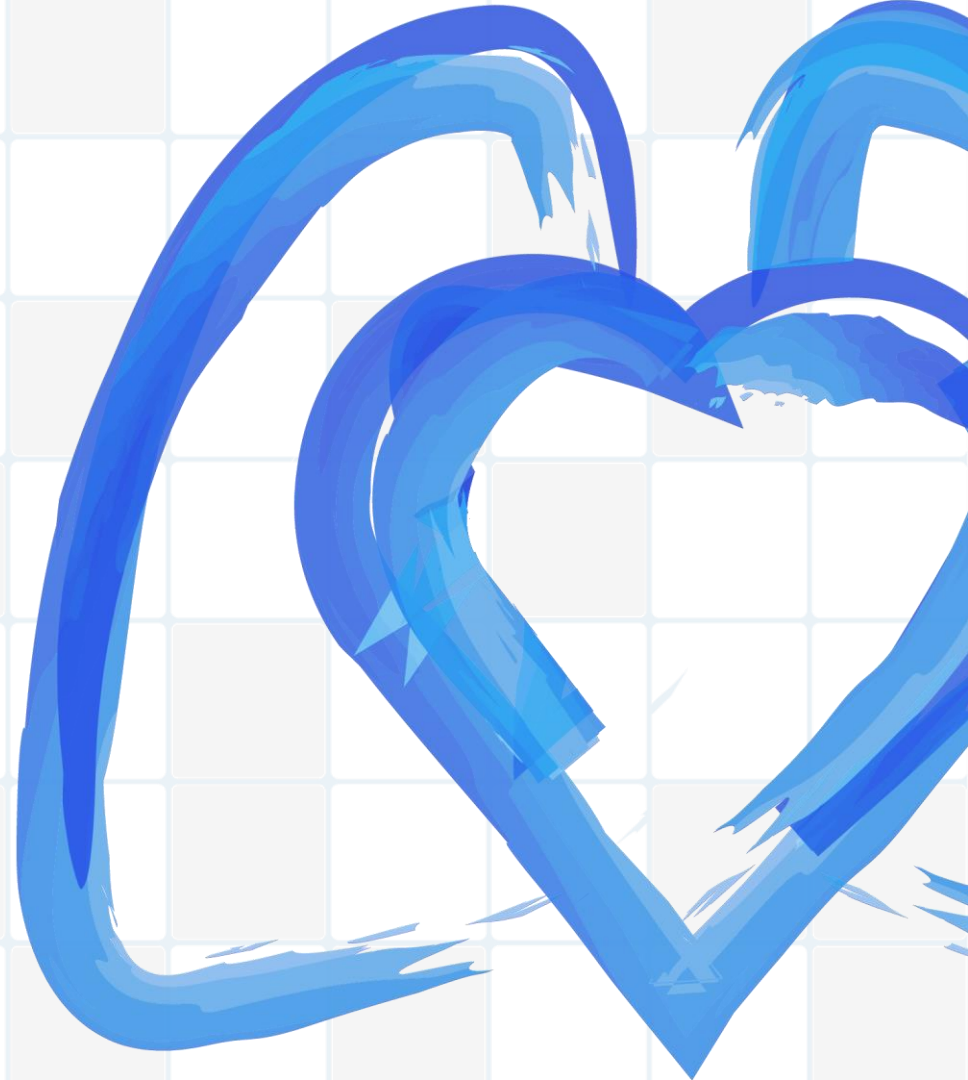
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**EACTS**  
European Association For Cardio-Thoracic Surgery



# OVERVIEW OF EACTS ACTIVITIES

1. Council
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6. Quality Improvement Programme
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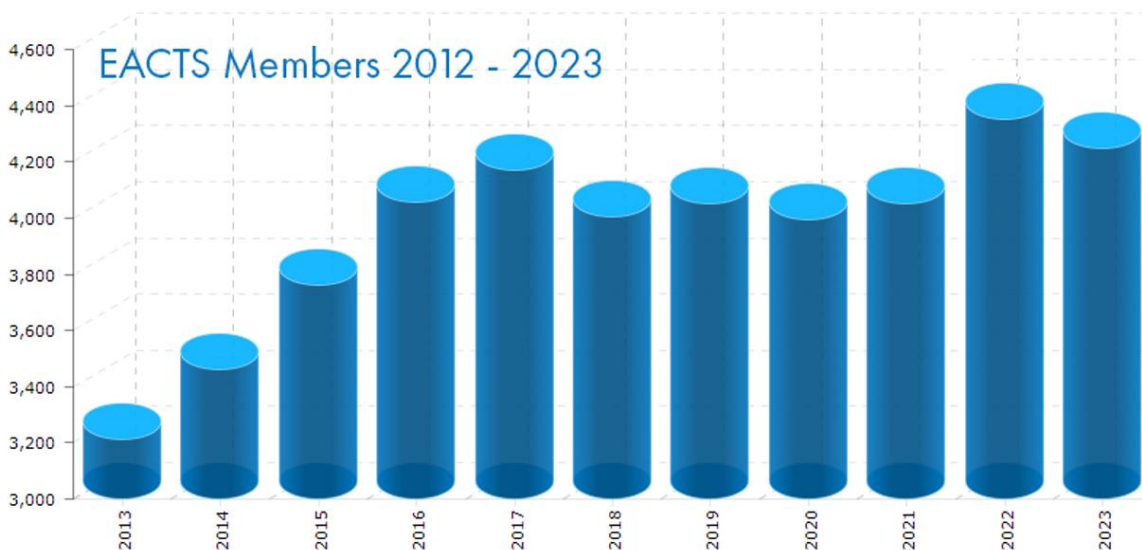
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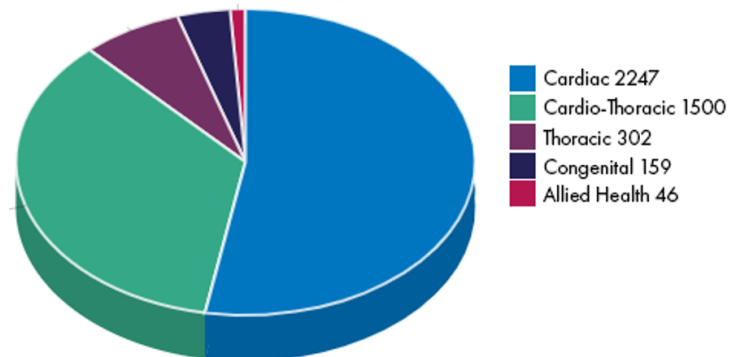
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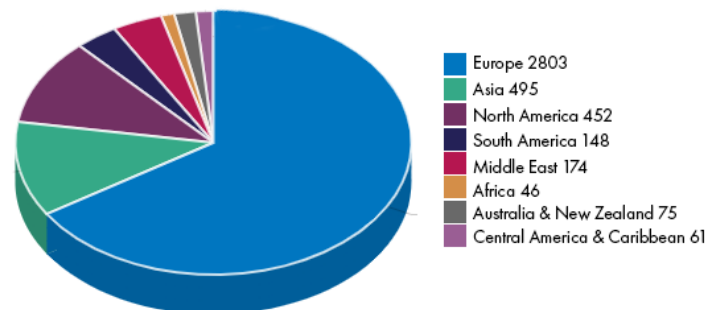
# MEMBERSHIP



EACTS Membership by Speciality 2023

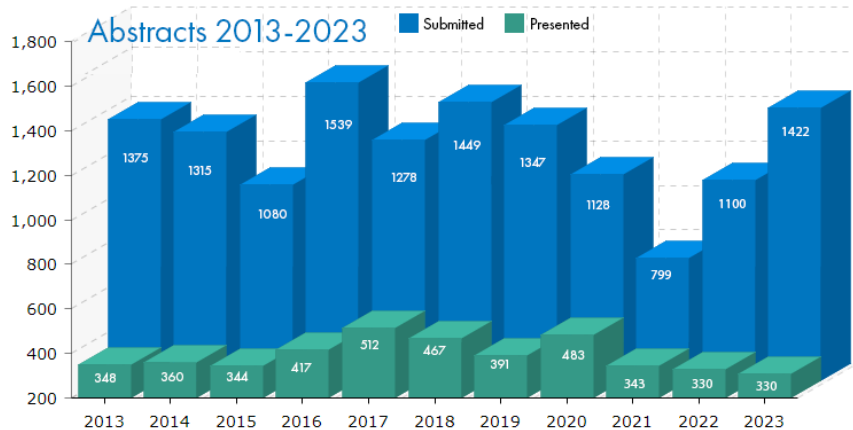


EACTS Membership by Region 2023

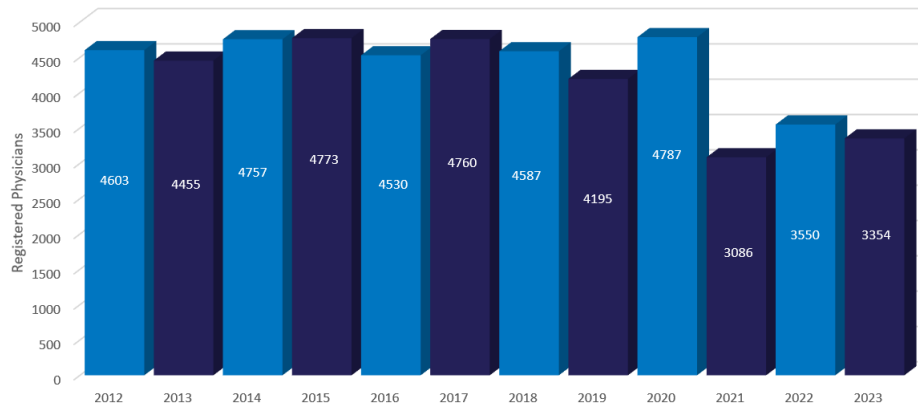


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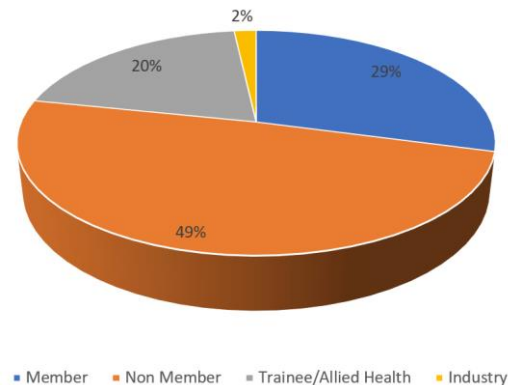
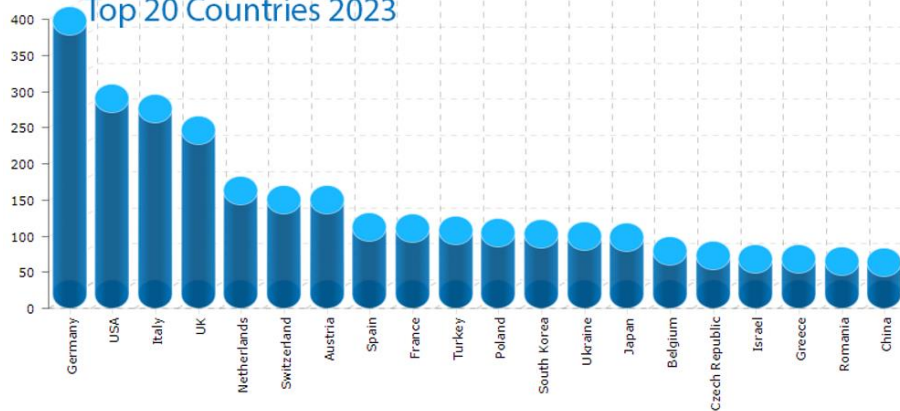
## Abstracts 2013-2023



## Registered Physicians 2012-2023



## Top 20 Countries 2023



# EDUCATION



## Academy

STEP INTO A WORLD OF SURGICAL TRAINING  
AND CLIMB THE ACADEMY SKILLS LADDER



### WHAT'S YOUR LEVEL?

**Level 1**  
for residents in training with the course content closely allied to the EBCTS syllabus

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**Level 2**  
for residents in the final years of training and for surgeons at the beginning of independent practice

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**Level 3**  
for surgeons established in independent practice.

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**Conferences/summits**





# Academy

# Learn with us in 2024



## Next Generation Webinar Series

18 January, 29 February, 21 March, 25 April, 30 May, 27 June



## Case Corners Webinar Series

18 January, 29 February, 21 March, 25 April, 30 May, 27 June, 19 September

## Fundamentals in Congenital Heart Disease Webinar Series

24 January, 6 March, 12 June, 4 September

## Fundamentals in Coronary Artery Disease

6-8 February, Windsor and Hybrid

## Fundamentals in Aortic Surgery

14-16 March, Windsor and Hybrid

## Fundamentals in Thoracic Surgery: Part 1

10 - 12 April, Windsor and Hybrid

## Fundamentals in Valvular Heart Disease (incl AF)

16-19 April, Windsor and Hybrid



## Mitral Valve Repair

28-29 February, Windsor

## Congenital Heart Disease: Imaging

22-23 May, Windsor

## Surgical Investigator Course

10-11 June, Windsor



## Aortic Dissection Webinar

15 February, webinar

## Annuloplasty for Aortic Valve Repair: A practical approach

20-22 March, Paris, France

## Endoscopic Port-Access Mitral Valve Repair Drylab Training

16-17 May, Maastricht

## Connective Tissue Disease Webinar

23 May, webinar



## Challenging Cases in Robotic Thoracic Surgery Webinar

21 February, webinar

## The Thoracic Hybrid Theatre Webinar

5 June, webinar

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## EACTS Arrhythmia Course

Warsaw, Poland

20-21 June 2024



For the most up to date course details visit [www.eacts.org](http://www.eacts.org)

Courses and dates subject to change





# Academy

## CASE CORNER

**Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting: When a simple case goes wrong**

18 January, Online

**Aortic valve replacement in the elderly when TAVI doesn't fit**

29 February, Online

**Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: When surgery is the last resort**

21 March, Online

**Emergencies and urgent operations in congenital surgery**

25 April, Online

**Case Corner: Scientific Edition (The Surgeon and The Scientist)**

30 May, Online

**Aortic Dissection: Protecting the brain and restoring perfusion**

27 June, Online

**The Bridge to Success: From MCS to transplant**

19 September, Online

**2024** sees the return  
of our successful Case  
Corner series

For Residents by  
Residents





# Academy

## EACTS Next Generation

### **Securing Residency in Cardiothoracic Surgery**

18 January, Online

### **The Future and Innovations in Cardiac Surgery**

29 February, Online

### **Coronary Artery Surgery**

21 March, Online

### **The Life of a Cardiothoracic Resident**

25 April, Online

### **Aortic Valve Surgery**

30 May, Online

### **The Future and Innovations in Thoracic Surgery**

27 June, Online

**NEW in 2024:**

Exciting webinar series  
for Medical Students  
and Pre-Trainee  
Doctors



## FRANCIS FONTAN FUND

### NEW APPLICATION DATES IN 2024

Fellowship applications for the 2025 fellowships  
are as follows:

Fellowship categories:

**Research** and **Leadership**

Applications are open from 1 March to 1 May 2024

Fellowship categories:

**Education**

Applications are open from 1 July to 1 September 2024



NOTE: START DATES REMAIN THE SAME  
(FROM JANUARY 2025)

Advance your surgical education and learn from  
world-renowned surgeons at some of the most  
prestigious institutions globally.

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Raising Standards through Education and Training

## FRANCIS FONTAN FUND



### Research Fellowships

- EACTS-MSTCVS Quality and Outcomes Fellowship
- MSc Statistics Fellowship for Clinical Trials at UCL



### Leadership Fellowships

- Atrial Fibrillation Fellowship in partnership with **AtriCure**
- VATS in General Thoracic Surgery Fellowship
- Robotic Surgery – Cardiac Fellowship in partnership with **Medtronic**
- Robotic Surgery – Thoracic Fellowship in partnership with **Intuitive - NEW**
- Thoracic & Minimally Invasive Surgery Fellowship - **NEW**
- Adult Congenital Heart Disease Fellowship - **NEW**
- Travelling Leadership Fellowships for Women in Cardiothoracic Surgery - **NEW**



### Education Fellowships

- Advanced Intensive Postoperative Care Fellowship
- Aortic Root and Valve Repair Fellowship
- Off-Pump Coronary Artery Bypass (OPCAB) Fellowship in partnership with **Medtronic**
- MICS Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (MICS-CABG) Fellowship in partnership with **Medtronic**
- OPCAB Extended Fellowship in partnership with **Medtronic**
- International Travelling Fellowship in partnership with TSF
- International Travelling Fellowship in partnership with TSF & LACES
- Ukrainian Support Fellowship

# PUBLICATIONS



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**Publishing the  
latest research  
and innovations**

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**PubMed**



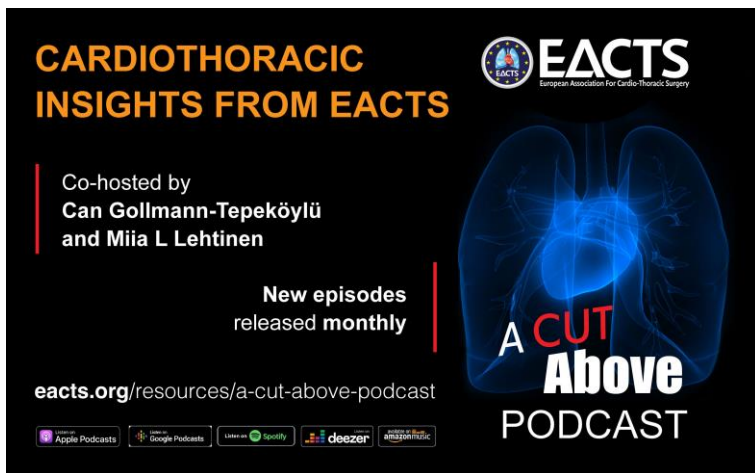
Ash Merrifield  
Publications Director



# PODCAST

## ***A Cut Above: Cardiothoracic insights from EACTS***

Published monthly, our podcast allows the cardiothoracic and wider Heart team community to keep abreast of the latest research, guidelines and key discussions impacting day-to-day practice whilst on the go.



Episode	Episode Type	Topic	Speakers
January	Featured KOL	Behind the scenes: The daily life of the EACTS General Secretary	Patrick Myers
February	Viewpoints (pros and cons)	End of story for aortic valve surgery?	Casselman / Bleiziffer
March	Guidelines	Aortic Disease Guidelines	Martin Czerny, Martin Grabenwöger & Milan Milojevic
April	Round Table	The return of CABG – The procedure of the future?	Sandner / Doenst / Jeppsson
May	Featured Author	<a href="#">AVR vs. TAVI – A Bayesian interpretation</a>	Sam Heuts
June	TBC	Ex Vivo perfusion of hearts / lungs	TBC
July	Roundtable	Trends in temporary MCS	Färber & 1
August	Roundtable	Scientific Misconduct	Grinnemo/Corbascio
September	Featured Authors	Can and Miia to select approx. 3 from the Editor's Choice selection (as above)	TBC
October	Roundtable	How to build a successful team in CTS	Kluin / Sundt
November	Conference Proceedings - Key Results	Trial Highlights from EACTS 2024	TBC
December	Featured KOL	Entrepreneurship – Surgeon and CEO	TBC

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# QUALITY IMPROVEMENT



## ADULT CARDIAC DATABASE



## EUROMACS



Stephanie Halksworth  
**Governance & Operations Manager**





# GUIDELINES & CONSENSUS STATEMENTS

Societies	Project	Article type	First Author/Chair	Status
EACTS-ESTS	Ground Glass Opacities	Guideline	G. Cardillo and R. Petersen (ESTS)	Published October 23
EACTS-ESC	Revision of 2018 myocardial revascularization guideline( LM Chapter only)	Guideline	S. Fremes	Published August 23
ESC	2023 Guideline for management of infective endocarditis	Guideline	M. Borger/V. Delgado	Published August 23
EACTS-STTS	Guidelines on the diagnosis and treatment of aortic diseases	Guideline	M. Czerny and M Grabenwoeger	Published February 24

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EACTS-EAPC	Frailty assessment before cardiac surgery	Expert Consensus Statement	S. Sündermann, Niebauer (EAPC)	Published October 23
STS- EACTS	Expert Statement on conduit in CABG-revised in to expert review document	Clinical Statement	S. Sandner, Mario Gaudino, Faisal Bakaeen	Published August 23
EACTS	Expert consensus on perioperative myocardial infarction	Expert Consensus Statement	M. Gaudino	Scheduled for publication February/March 24

Further information can be found at <https://academic.oup.com/ejcts/pages/guidelines>





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