




ECHDO
European Congenital
Heart Disease Organisation



ECHDO AGM 2025 CONFERENCE

Friday, 9th May - Saturday 10th May

SPLIT, CROATIA



MEET THE SPEAKERS



Prof. Dr. Georg Daniel Dürr,
*Pediatric and Adult Cardiac
Surgeon, Germany*



Dr. Hrvoje Kniewald,
*Pediatric Cardiologist,
Croatia*



Andri Christoudia,
*Psychologist, Systemic
Psychotherapist, Cyprus*



Roxanna Fronie,
*Mother of little survivor,
Germany*

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Fortune Favors the Brave: Facilitating Resilience in the CHD Population

DAY 1 – FRIDAY

TIME SLOT	TYPE OF SPEAKER/CONTENT	TOPIC
15:00	REGISTRATION & COFFEE	
15:30 - 15:40	WELCOME ECHDO President/Board officer	Official welcome to conference and AGM + Introduction of event content
15:40 - 16:10	SPEAKER 1 (presentation and 10 min Q&A) Roxanna Fronie , Germany	Journey through long hospitalisations
16:10 - 16:40	SPEAKER 2 (presentation and 10 min Q&A) Prof. Dr. Daniel Dürr , Germany	Bridging the Gap: Pediatric Cardiac Surgery Mission or Self-Help Assistance in Eastern Europe
16:40 - 17:00	COFFEE BREAK	
17:00 - 17:30	SPEAKER 3 (presentation and 10 min Q&A) Andri Christoudia , Psychologist, Cyprus	Empowering Parents of Children with CHD to Build Confident and Resilient Adults
17:30 - 18:00	SPEAKER 4 (presentation and 10 min Q&A) Dr. Hrvoje Kniewald , Pediatric cardiologist, Croatia	How to deliver difficult news in a positive way
18:00 - 18:45	AGM PREPARATION DISTRIBUTION OF ANNUAL REPORT	Presentation of the organisation's finances + Presentation of potential new board members up for election
18:45	CLOSE	

OFFICIAL DINNER

20:00	DINNER HOSTED BY 'BIG HEART FOR A SMALL HEART' , Croatia	Sponsored by 'BIG HEART FOR A SMALL HEART'
22:30	POST DINNER SPEECH	RECOGNITION OF SERVICES TO ECHDO

DAY 2 – SATURDAY

INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND AGM

TIME SLOT	TYPE OF SPEAKER/CONTENT	TOPIC
9:00 - 9:30	REGISTRATION & COFFEE	
9:30 - 9:45	ECHDO President, Lene Osmundsen	Annual wrap up - What has been done since last year?
9:45 - 10:00	SEBASTIAN KAHNT, Germany	German FA - goals and strategies
10:00 - 10:15	MICHELLE WOODS, UK	Empowering Hearts&Minds: “A collaborative approach to mental health and well-being”
10:15 - 10:30	IAN MERCIECA BONS, Malta	Beating Hearts Malta
10:30 - 10:45	COFFEE BREAK	
10:45 - 11:00	DAVID TOMS, Norway	A campaign to get VMH members more active
11:00 - 11:15	AGM: ECHDO ROB NICOLL	How does it work?
11:15 - 12:15	AGM	Separate agenda
12:15 - 12:45	WORKSHOP	
12:45 - 13:00	REVIEW OF WORKSHOP	
13:00 - 13:30	WRAP UP	Determine goals, tasks and responsibilities for members in the year ahead.
13:30	CLOSE UP	

POST AGM: BOARD MEETING

POST MEETING	BOARD MEETING	Introduction of newly elected members and redistribution of board member roles
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