

Course to achieve the predicate

Endovascular Surgeon DGG

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Dear Colleagues

In the international environment, certifications for the participation of courses and the proof of the acquirement of theoretical and practical knowledge of endovascular treatment methods have been implemented.

In German-speaking countries, the designations of the DGG (German Society for Vascular Surgery and Medicine) "Endovascular Surgeon" and "Endovascular Specialist" are established as of high quality. The requirements for obtaining this title are (1) the completion of the theoretical and practical modules in certified courses, (2) a catalog of surgical procedures and (Logbook) (3) a collegial viva voce.

During this DGG-certified comprehensive course run by Vascular International, all specific contents required by the DGG are offered except for radiation protection. Within 4 days, the course participants will learn ultrasound-guided puncture on the model and the use of closure device systems and all about the endovascular treatment of aortic, pelvic and thigh pathologies in theory and practice on training simulators.

We are looking forward to your participation.

The course convenors and tutors

PD Dr. Jürgen Falkensammer, Linz
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Program Day 1: Basics

11.00 – 11.45	Registry
11.45 – 12.00	Welcome
12.00 – 12.30	Radiological diagnostics and radiation protection
12.30 – 13.00	Accesses: cut-down, percutaneous, Seldinger-technique
13.00 – 13.30	Vessel and skin closure: Techniques, closure devices
13.30 – 14.30	Lunch break
14.30 – 15.30	Knowledge of materials and tools: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Wires and catheters- Stents und stentgrafts
15.30 – 16.00	Workflow of PTA
16.00 – 16.30	Complication management
16.30 – 16.45	Coffee break
16.45 – 20.00	Practical exercises on simulators in 4 groups – Rotation (45min per station, one tutor on each station): Station 1: Wire and catheter handling Station 2: Puncture training and Seldinger-technique on a perfused simulator
18.15 – 18.30	Coffee break Station 3: handling of different closure devices on a perfused puncture simulator Station 4: PTA/Stent implantation on a simulator
20.00	End Day 1

Program Day 2: Abdominal Aorta

09.00 – 09.30	Abdominal aortic aneurysm: Indications for treatment – scientific evidence Infrarenale abdominal aorta occlusive disease: Indications for endovascular treatment – scientific evidence
09.30 – 10.30	Knowledge of materials and tools: EVAR, covered stents Workflow EVAR implantation
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee break
10.45 – 11.15	Complication management
11.15 – 11.45	Follow-up of patients
11.45 – 12.45	Case discussions
12.45 – 13.30	Lunch break
13.30 – 17.00	Practical exercises on training simulators in 4 groups – Rotation (45min per station, one tutor on each station): Station 1: Training on simulators – AAA cases Station 2: Case discussion by means of „Live in the box“ video on EVAR implantation
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break Station 3: EVAR implantation on a flow simulator Station 4: EVAR implantation on a flow simulator
17.00 hours	End Day 2

Program Day 3: Iliac arteries

09.00 – 10.00	Indications for treatment, scientific evidence
10.00 – 10.30	Knowledge of materials and tools: Stents, covered stents
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee break
10.45 – 11.15	Workflow iliac artery PTA/Stent-PTA
11.15 – 11.45	Complication management
11.45 – 12.45	Follow-up of patients
12.45 – 13.30	Lunch break
13.30 – 17.00	Practical exercises on training simulators in 4 groups – Rotation (45min per station, one tutor on each station): Station 1: Simulator training – iliac interventions Station 2: Case discussions by means of videos and angiograms
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break Station 3: Iliac artery intervention on flow simulator Station 4: Percutaneous intervention on simulator
17.00 hours	End Day 3

Program Day 4: Femoral arteries

08.30 – 09.30	Indications for treatment, scientific evidence
09.30 – 10.00	Knowledge of materials and tools; special techniques
10.00 – 10.30	Workflow femoral artery PTA/Stent-PTA
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee break
10.45 – 11.15	Complication management and follow-up of patients
11.15 – 12.30	Distinctiveness of interventions in the popliteal segment
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch break
13.30 – 15.30	Practical exercises on training simulators in 4 groups – Rotation (45min per station, one tutor on each station): Station 1: Simulator training – different cases Station 2: Case discussions 1 Station 3: Simulator training – different cases Station 4: Case discussions 2
15.30 – 16.00	Feedback session
16.00	End Day 4

Venue of the Workshop

Vascular International Training Center
St. Anna Stiftung
Tivolistrasse 21
6006 Luzern

[Map Link](#)

Contact phone number during the workshop +41 79 129 14 61

Course Fee

“Endovascular Surgeon DGG” **CHF 2'690.-**

Course Language

Depending on the native language of the participants the course language will be English or German.

Registration

www.vascular-international.org

The number of participants is restricted.

We do accept substitute participants; please inform us as soon as possible.

Payment

Your registration will be confirmed by email with an invoice attached. You also have the opportunity of immediate payment via PayPal (=all major credit cards) upon registration. If you prefer to pay by bank transfer, please make your payment within 10 days after registration in order to ensure your slot in the workshop.

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Refund policy:

Fee for cancellations before August 8, 2025 amounts to CHF 100.-, no refund is granted for cancellations after August 8, 2025.

Supporting Partners

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Supporting Societies

German Society of Vascular Surgery and Medicine (DGG)
Austrian Society of Vascular Surgery (ÖGG)
Swiss Society of Vascular Surgery (SGG)
UEMS, Division of Vascular Surgery

Credits

This DGG “Endovascular Surgeon” course is valued with 25 credits by the Austrian and Swiss Societies of Vascular Surgery.

Hotel Accommodation

Further information at [Lucerne Tourism](#)

Transport

Training center is reachable by public transport via bus station Europe. Parking available at the venue.

Requirements by EthicalMedtech

- The Programme is included in this document
- There is no live music or any other form of entertainment foreseen at any point of the programme
- The participant's fee covers the expenses for:
 - the course organisation (administration for registering, IT Support, Insurance, etc.)
 - the tutors travel expenses (there are no proctoring fees paid)
 - the rent for the course venue
 - the material used during the course
 - rent of hands-on models, medical instruments, operating tables
 - rent of didactic infrastructure (operating table, audio/video equipment)
 - cost for consumables, endo material, gloves, needles, instruction manual, etc.
 - the day catering including:
 - croissant with coffee in the morning to start
 - water, coffee and fruits during breaks
 - sandwiches for lunch
- The participant's fee does NOT cover:
 - Any full meals
 - Expense for overnight stay
 - Any travel expenses
- There is no hospitality and social programme included in the fees for participants.