

## Wednesday 12 June 2024

## Behavioural therapy workshops

## (AM session)

**10:00-13:00**I. Workshop in **English** for participants with **basic** training**Programme**

10.00: Diagnostics/assessment, psychoeducation  
10.30: Habit reversal training (HRT)  
11.30: Break ☕  
11.50: Exposure and response prevention (ERP)  
12.30: Resource activation  
12.50: Questions and closing

## (PM parallel sessions)

**14:00-17:00**II. Workshop in **English** for **advanced** participants**Programme**

14.00: Frequently asked supervision questions  
15.00: Divide into 5 groups to discuss cases and questions (circling):

- Assessment in treatment
- Behaviour therapy and comorbidity
- Working with the system
- Stigma and self-esteem
- Functional tics

15.50: Break ☕  
16.10: Reflection/discussion  
16.30: Developing supervision and consultancy skills  
16.50: Questions and closing

**14:00-17:00**Workshop in **italiano** per partecipanti con formazione base**Programme**

14.00 Diagnosi e valutazione  
14.30 Psicoeducazione  
15.00 Habit reversal training (HRT)  
15.30 Pausa/Break  
15.50 Exposure and response prevention (ERP)  
16.30 Resource activation  
16.50 Discussione e domande

**Trainer:**[Valentina Baglioni](#)

Trainers:  
(in alphabetical order)

[Tara Murphy](#)  
[Zsanett Tarnok](#)  
[Jolande van de Griendt](#)  
[Cara Verdellen](#)  
[Katrín Woitecki](#)

(PM parallel session)

13:00-17:00

Patient associations meeting organised by Tics and Tourette Across the Globe  
(TTAG)



[View agenda](#)

18:00-19:00 (onwards)

Opening ceremony

I. Keynote lecture: Behavioural treatment of tics: past, present, and future.

Speaker:

[John Piacentini](#)

moderated by: Cristiano Termine

II. Professor Mary Robertson Award; winner & oral presentation

III. Cocktail time



21:00 "Lady Tourette", theatre production



Optional, **FREE** event, in collaboration with AIST Onlus, Italian Tourette Syndrome Association

Venue: [Spazio Yak](#)

Thursday 13 June 2024

**09:00-09:15** Welcome message by our hosts & local organisers

Cristiano Termine

Andrea Cavanna

**09:15-10:00** Symposium talk

"How can parents live well with tics?" Parental burden in TS families

Speakers:

Noa Benaroya-Milshtein

Dana Feldman-Sadeh

moderated by: Christelle Nilles

**10:00-10:30** Poster rounds, session I

moderated by Nanette Mol Debes

**11:00-11:30** Coffee break

+ "Speed networking"

Bringing Senior & Junior colleagues together!



**11:30-12:30** Clinical rounds

Session chair:

Tammy Hedderly

Round table:

Renata Rizzo

Carlotta Zanaboni

**12:30-13:30** Lunch break



**13:30-14:00** General assembly

**14:00-14:15** Presentation of the MDS Tic Disorders and Tourette Syndrome study group

Presenter:

Davide Martino

**14:15-15:00** MDS Task Force on tic disorders; developing a new classification scheme for tic disorders

**Speaker:**  
[Irene Malaty](#)

moderated by: Davide Martino

**15:00-15:30 Coffee break**



**15:30-16:00 Poster rounds, session II**  
moderated by Nanette Mol Debes

**16:00-16:30 Controversy followed by poll**

Should we still use the YGTSS, or GTS/tic-QOL scales to measure tic severity and the impact of tics on day-to-day life ?



Arguing pro traditional assessment:

[Davide Martino](#)

Arguing pro AI-based:

[Izhar Bar-Gad](#)

moderated by: Andrea E. Cavanna

**16:30-18:15 Oral presentations of submitted abstracts, session I**

moderated by: Kirsten Müller-Vahl & Andreas Hartmann

**20:00 Social event-dinner**



(optional event)

Venue: [Villa Panza](#)

Friday 14 June 2024

**09:00-09:15 Welcome address by TTAG**  
(*Tics and Tourette Across the Globe*)

**09:15-10:15 TS-underrepresented zones around the world;  
Latin America, South America, Russia, Nigeria**  
Remote (pre-recorded) and on-stage interventions

**Speakers:**

(in alphabetical order)

[Joy Adama Legbo](#) Nigeria

[Konstantin Evdokimov](#) Russia

[Alex Medina Escobar](#) Honduras & Canada

[Daniela Muñoz Chesta](#) Chile

moderated by: TTAG & Natalia Szejko

**10:15-10:45 Coffee break**

+ “Speed networking”

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**10:45-12:15 Oral presentations of submitted abstracts, session II**

moderated by: Kirsten Müller-Vahl & Andreas Hartmann

**12:15-13:15 Lunch break**



**13:15-14:00 Developing and testing an online therapist training program for CBIT:  
Development process and initial results**

**Speaker:**

[Douglas Woods](#)

With the participation of:

[Suzanne Mouton-Odum](#)

[Michael B. Himle](#)

moderated by: Christelle Nilles

**14:00-14:15 Poster rounds, session III**

moderated by Nanette Mol Debes

14:45-15:15 Coffee break



15:15-16:15 Best papers of 2023 on tics and TS

Speaker:

Kevin J. Black



moderated by: Andreas Hartmann

16:15-16:30 Closing ceremony



Best poster & best oral presentation awards

ESSTS Conference 2025 announcement; see you next year in... 😊