

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

## DAY ONE: 14 NOVEMBER 2025

### CONFERENCE HALL: CLUB CD

12:00 – 13:00	<b>Registration</b>
13:00 – 13:30	<b>Welcome address by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia and opening ceremony</b>
13:30 – 14:45	<b>Session 1: Pathophysiology of Heart Failure in Congenital Heart Disease</b> <i>Moderators: Craig Laurence, David Žižek, Saša Ilovar Strehar</i>
13:30	Overview of the prevalence, challenges, and advancements in the treatment of heart failure in congenital heart disease <b>Craig Laurence</b>
13:45	Case of CHF in a child with TOF and small pulmonary arteries <b>Tatjana Miriam Marušič, Saša Ilovar Strehar, Gorazd Mlakar</b>
13:55	The unique mechanisms of heart failure in children with congenital heart defects. <b>Cordula Wolf</b>
14:10	Case CHF in ACHD <b>Jure Dolenc</b>
14:20	Differentiating Paediatric Heart Failure from Adult Heart Failure: Unique aspects of heart failure in paediatric populations. <b>Saša Ilovar Strehar, Gorazd Mlakar, Nejc Pavšič</b>
14:35	Is there a role for ACE inhibitors in neonates with CHF due CHD? <b>Sandra Cerar, Matej Pal</b>
14:45 – 15:15	<b>Coffee break &amp; Networking by Medis</b>
15:15 - 16:35	<b>Session 2: Diagnostic Approaches for Children with Congenital Heart Disease</b> <i>Moderators: Peter Ewert, Christian Meierhofer, Slavojka Ponorac</i>
15:15	Diagnostic Imaging Techniques: Role of echocardiography. <b>Milka Prigsheim</b>
15:30	Congestive heart failure associated with Wilms tumour: A case report <b>Arijan Verbić, Ema Labek, Lucija Ružman, Ilarja Serini</b>
15:40	Diagnostic Imaging Techniques: Role of advanced imaging (CMR and CT). <b>Christian Meierhofer</b>

15:55	Cardiac catheterization in advanced procedures. <b>Peter Ewert</b>
16:10	Biomarkers: NT-proBNP. <b>Jonas Palm</b>
16:25	Recurrent acute heart failure in a young child - case report. <b>Igor Stefanović</b>
16:35 – 16:55	<b><i>Coffee Break &amp; Networking</i></b>
16:55 – 18:10	<b>Session 3: Medical Management of Heart Failure in CHD</b> <b><i>Moderators: Daniel Dilber, Fabian von Scheidt, Gorazd Mlakar</i></b>
16:55	Pharmacological interventions and their role in paediatric heart failure – RV, LV Failure <b>Fabian von Scheidt</b>
17:10	Two PICU cases of infants with dilatative cardiomyopathy with LV failure treated with advanced medical therapy. <b>Ariana Mrčela Rikel, Metka Sluga</b>
17:20	Pharmacological interventions and their role in ACHD. <b>Jure Dolenc, Nejc Pavšič</b>
17:35	Clinical and Hemodynamic Outcomes with Enalapril Orodispersible Minitablets in Young Children with Heart Failure Due to Congenital Heart Disease. <b>Maja Bijelić</b>
17:45	1.5 year-old girl with myocarditis, who was supported by Berlin heart and achieved myocardial recovery <b>Karel Koubsky</b>
17:55	Management of Coexisting Conditions: Managing infections and comorbidities in paediatric heart failure. <b>Matej Pal, Tatiana Miriam Marušić</b>
18:10 – 18:45	<b><i>Welcome Drink</i></b>

## DAY TWO: 15 NOVEMBER 2025

08:30 – 09:00	<b>Registration</b>
09:00 – 10:40	<b>Session 4:</b> <b>Heart Failure, Intensive Care and Post-Surgical Interventions</b> <i><b>Moderators:</b> Milan Đukić, Irena Vuličević, Igor Šehić</i>
09:00	Case: Acute decompensation Heart Failure and intensive care. <b>Tanja Kranjc Božič, Irena Vuličević</b>
09:10	Perioperative decompensation: Low cardiac output syndrome after cardiac surgery for congenital heart defect. <b>Miroslav Elek</b>
09:25	Case: perioperative decompensation - Low cardiac output syndrome after cardiac surgery for congenital heart defect. <b>Primož Herga, Irena Vuličević</b>
09:35	Postsurgical intervention in the cath lab <b>Dunja Renner</b>
09:55	PICU drug regime heart failure catecholamines <b>Tanja Kranjc Božič, Irena Vuličević</b>
10:10	Banding and exit strategies <b>Jelena Pabst von Ohain</b>
10:25	Managing complications, treatment, and long-term care <b>Nicole de Winkel</b>
10:40 – 11:10	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking</b>
11:10 – 12:55	<b>Session 5:</b> <b>Transplantation</b> <i><b>Moderators:</b> Gregor Poglajen, Vladimir Milovanović, Branko Mimić, Sabina Frljak, Andraž Cerar</i>
11:10	When to go for transplant in children. <b>Craig Laurence</b>
11:25	Case Transplant- first transplantation under 10 kg in Ljubljana. <b>Gregor Poglajen</b>
11:40	Advanced Heart failure Therapies and Paediatric HTX in UMC Ljubljana <b>Ivan Knežević</b>
11:55	Transplant management - UMC Ljubljana experience. <b>Gregor Poglajen</b>
12:10	Perioperative Management of Paediatric Heart Transplant Patient- Anaesthesiologist's perspective. <b>Saša Živković, Urša Žerjav</b>

12:25	DCD heart transplantation in children <b>Branko Mimić</b>
12:40	Heart transplant in Croatia. <b>Daniel Dilber</b>
12:55 - 14:10	<b>Lunch Break</b>
14:10 - 16:25	<b>Session 6: Mechanical Support and Device Therapy</b> <i>Moderators: Ivan Knežević, Jürgen Höller, Mirko Topalović, Sabina Frlić, Andraž Cerar</i>
14:10	Indications for device therapy. <b>Craig Laurence</b>
14:25	Case: ECMO - Recurrent fulminant myocarditis in a child requiring multiple ECMO runs. <b>Gorazd Mlakar, Rok Kučan</b>
14:40	ECMO systems and pitfalls. <b>Andrea Amici</b>
14:55	VAD systems <b>Jürgen Höller</b>
15:10	PM and ICD-Pacemaker therapies in advanced heart failure <b>David Žižek</b>
15:25	When synchrony matters - two cases <b>Mirko Topalović, Žiga Pokorn</b>
15:40	Electrophysiology <b>Mirko Topalović, Matevž Jan</b>
15:55	Development of a paediatric heart surgery program in North Macedonia <b>Vladimir Chadikovski</b>
16:10 - 16:35	<b>Fireside Chat: Multidisciplinary Approach to Paediatric Heart Failure – Does the Center Size matter? Pro and Con Talk</b>
	Pro: Of course, Size matters <b>Jürgen Höller</b>
	Con: Small is as good as big <b>Janez Vodiškar</b>
16:35	<b>Wrap up &amp; Closing remarks</b>
16:45	<b>End of the Meeting</b>