



ADVANCED TECHNIQUES IN LAPAROSCOPIC GYNECOLOGICAL SURGERY

MARCH 16 - 18, 2026

3 DAY ADVANCED COURSE

IRCAD AFRICA : THE AFRICAN CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGERY



With the launch of IRCAD Africa in 2023, we are thrilled to provide hands-on training in minimally invasive surgery. IRCAD (Research Institute against Digestive Cancer).

The Institute looks forward to receiving trainees from around the continent as well as other corners of the globe.

The center is proud to feature state-of-the-art, fully equipped facilities, including an advanced surgical laboratory and an auditorium. These cutting-edge facilities are equipped with modern technology, such as high-definition imaging systems, to provide realistic and immersive training experiences.

IRCAD Africa provides comprehensive training. Not only a center for minimally invasive surgery, we look forward to host various medical conferences. IRCAD Africa provides comprehensive training programs that encompass various surgical specialties. These programs are specifically designed to offer surgeons hands-on training, theoretical knowledge, and practical experience.

In addition to its carefully designed training programs, IRCAD leading experts in the field of minimally invasive surgery serve as faculty members and trainers. These world-renowned experts bring their extensive experience and knowledge to the training programs, ensuring that participants receive top-quality education and mentorship.

COURSE CANCELLATION POLICY

If you wish to cancel or postpone your registration, please inform us via email at courses@ircad.africa

Any cancellation or postponement of a course must be received at least 8 weeks prior to the start of the course

MAR 16

MONDAY
8:15 AM - 6:00 PM

8:15 AM	REGISTRATION AND WELCOMING OF PARTICIPANTS	Dr Gerhard Hanekom and Dr David Ntirushwa
8:30 AM	General Considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none">General considerations in endoscopic surgeryOperating room set-upErgonomics	Dr Annelize Barnard Prof Eugene Ngoga Dr David Ntirushwa
10:15 AM	COFFEE BREAK	
10:30 AM	General Considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none">New energies in laparoscopyLaparoscopic anatomy revisitedLaparoscopic complications: the truthLaparoscopic suturing: theory for loading the needle and different knotting techniques	Dr Jack Biko Dr Joseph Njagi Dr Jack Biko Dr Kwabena Apea-Kubi
12:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
1:00 PM	TRAINING ON PELVIC TRAINER Suturing Techniques <ul style="list-style-type: none">Laparoscopic suturing from A to ZTechniques for needle loadingBi-manual skillsIntracorporeal and extracorporeal knotting	
6:00 PM	END OF SESSION	

MAR 17

TUESDAY
8:15 AM - 6:00 PM

8:15 AM	Evaluation of previous day	
8:30 AM	Laparoscopic Myomectomy <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outcomes• Technical Principles• Variation: difficult cases	Prof Igno Siebert Dr Kwabena Apea-Kubi Dr Gerhard Hanekom
9:30 AM	PRE-RECORDED OPERATIVE DEMONSTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hysterectomy• Myomectomy• Endometriosis• Complex adnexal masses	Dr Jack Biko Dr Gerhard Hanekom Dr. Joseph Njagi Dr Gerhard Hanekom
10:15 AM	COFFEE BREAK	
10:30 AM	Hysterectomy <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical principles• Variations: difficult cases• Alternative techniques Ovarian Masses <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laparoscopic management of benign ovarian cysts• Management of suspicious masses• Role of laparoscopy in ovarian cancer	Dr. Joseph Njagi Drs Gerhard, Martins, Kwabena Drs Gerhard, Martins, Kwabena Dr Martins Mohosho
12:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
1:00 PM	TRAINING ON LIVE TISSUE (MINI-PIGS) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dissection in the retroperitoneal space• Cystotomy and bladder reconstruction• Lymphadenectomy	
6:00 PM	END OF SESSION	
5:30 PM	Dinner in honor of the participants	

MAR 18

WEDNESDAY
8:15 AM - 6:00 PM

8:15 AM

Evaluation of previous day

8:30 AM

Endometriosis

- Laparoscopic treatment of mild and moderate endometriosis
- Laparoscopic approach of severe endometriosis

Dr Gerhard Hanekom

Dr Joseph Njagi

Prolapse

- Laparoscopic approach of pelvic prolapse

Dr Annelize Barnard

10:00 AM

COFFEE BREAK

11:00 AM

Complications

- Entry-related complications
- Bowel complications
- Urinary complications
- Vascular complications

Dr Kwabena Apea-Kubi

Dr Gerhard Hanekom

Dr Annelize Barnard

Dr David Ntirushwa

Robotic

- Introduction to gynecological robotic surgery

Dr Annelize Barnard

GROUP PICTURE IN THE AUDITORIUM

12:00 PM

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 PM

TRAINING ON LIVE TISSUE (MINI-PIGS)

- Nephrectomy
- Simulation of bowel injury and reconstruction
- Micro re-anastomosis of the uterus

5:00 PM

**END OF SESSION
DELIVERY OF CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE**

HOW TO GET TO IRCAD AFRICA

GETTING TO THE INSTITUTE COULDN'T BE EASIER



KIGALI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO IRCAD AFRICA 21min (12KM)

IRCAD AFRICA PARTNER HOTELS

Phoenix Apartment

15min (9.4KM)

phoenixapartment.rw

Radisson Hotel

35min (14KM)

Radissonhotels.com

2026 - REGISTRATION FORM

LAPAROSCOPIC GYNECOLOGICAL SURGERY ENGLISH-SPEAKING COURSE / LIMITED TO 30 PARTICIPANTS

Dr./Prof. Family name.....

First name.....

Mobile phone..... Email.....

Gender

Please specify (category and name): Hospital Clinic Private practice

Professional address

Zip code

City Country

March 16-18

Early Bird registration -No Accommodation - \$1800

Early Bird Special: Save \$200! After March 2, the regular price of \$2,000 will apply. Don't miss out on this exclusive offer.

Accommodation : Phoenix or Lebanon or Five to Five - \$70/night ---- indicate total number of nights
 Radisson Blu - \$185/night ---- indicate total number of nights

- *a single room, breakfast and transport to the center included in the accommodation options*
- *Lunch and Coffee break included (served at the IRCAD Africa center)*

Payment:

Please bill my credit card VISA MC AMEX

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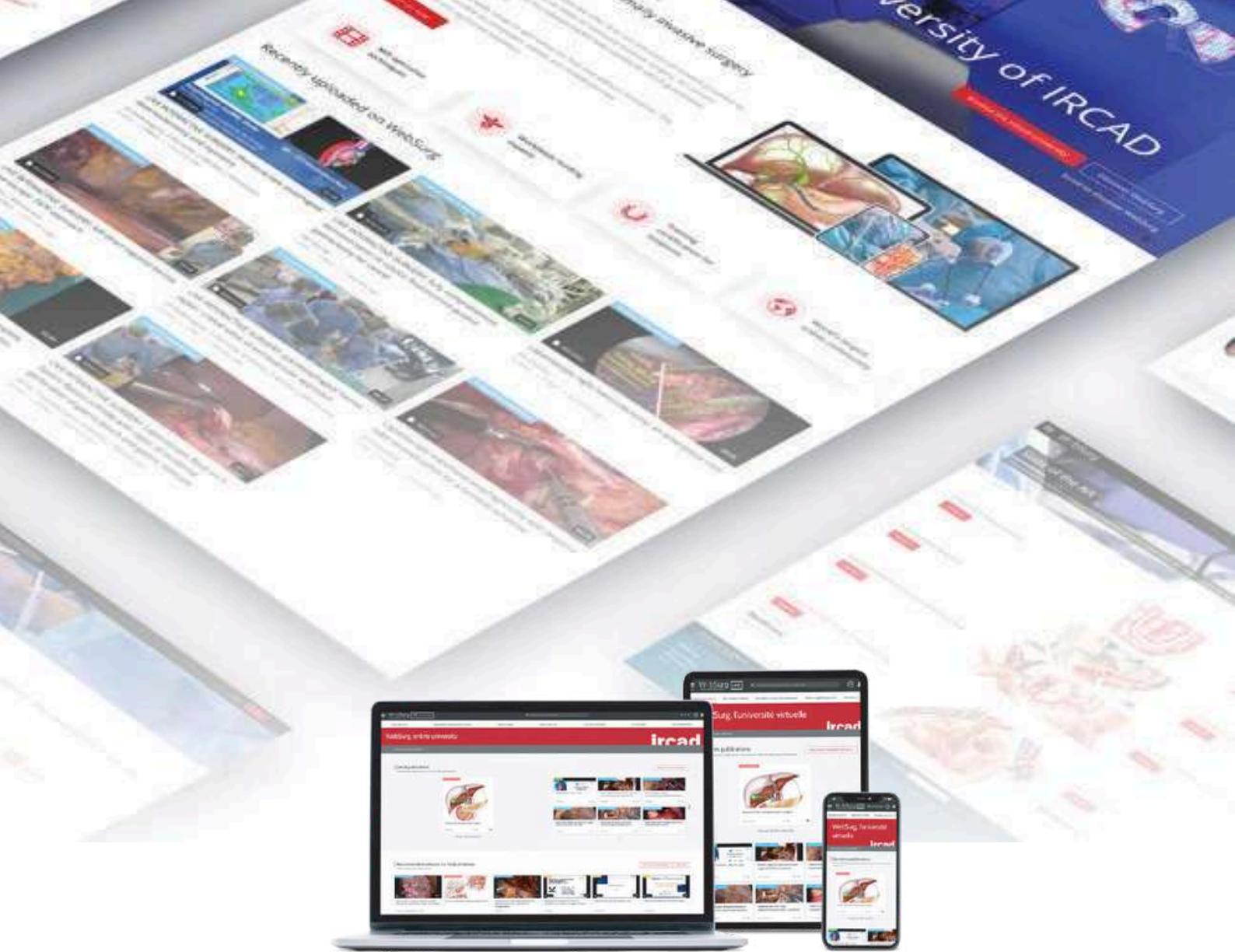
I accept the cancellation policies (See page 2)

Name & Signature:

Registration Fees Include

- Theoretical sessions
- Live or pre-recorded operative demonstrations
- 3 half-days of hands-on sessions on live tissue
- Coffee breaks and lunches
- One dinner

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+5,000

AUTHORS

+3,000

LANGUAGES

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