



LAPAROSCOPIC GENERAL SURGERY

March 23 – 27, 2026

5-DAY INTENSIVE 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 23

MONDAY
9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

9:00 AM

Registration and welcoming of the participants

9:15 AM

Basic Principles

- Conventional access
- Positioning of trocars:
- Knots
- Operative room organizations

10:20 AM

COFFEE BREAK

10:45 AM

Laparoscopy in emergency surgery

- Laparoscopy in peritonitis
- Appendicitis
- Gastric perforation
- Diverticulitis: radical and conservative management

11:45 AM

Equipment

- Operating theatre / choice of equipment / the laparoscopy unit
- Conventional laparoscopic instrumentation and micro-instruments
- Electrosurgery and ultrasonic dissections

12:45 PM

MIS: STATE OF THE ART IN AFRICA

1:00 PM

LUNCH BREAK

1:45 PM

Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done

2:00 PM

EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY

- Basic laparoscopic tasks
- Knot tying
- Suturing
- Bowel anastomosis

6:00 PM

END OF SESSION



MAR 24

TUESDAY
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

8:00 AM	Evaluation of previous day
8:05 AM	Laparoscopic hernia repair <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TAPP/TEP• Advantages and disadvantages of both
8:50 AM	Laparoscopic incisional hernia repair <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indications, mesh type, sutures, component separation repair, emergencies• Discussion
9:50 AM	COFFEE BREAK
10:10 AM	LIVE / PRE-RECORDED OPERATIVE DEMONSTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TAPP
9:50 AM	EPSIT TREATMENT OF PILONIDAL DISEASE
9:50 AM	CHOLECYSTECTOMY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basic principles of laparoscopic cholecystectomy• Bile duct injuries: diagnosis and management• Tips and tricks for acute cholecystitis
1:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK
1:45 PM	Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done
2:00 PM	EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TAPP Hernia Repair• Cholecystectomy
6:00 PM	END OF SESSION



MAR 25

WEDNESDAY
7:55 AM - 5:00 PM

7:55 AM	Evaluation of previous day
8:00 AM	LIVE SURGERY – Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy
10:00 AM	COFFEE BREAK
10:30 AM	Bariatric Surgery <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tailored approach: gastric banding, sleeve gastrectomy & gastric bypass• Management of common and difficult complications Bariatric cases and interactive
12:00 PM	Lunch Break
1:00 PM	Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to be done
1:15 PM	EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roux-en-Y gastric bypass• Partial / total gastrectomy• Splenectomy
5:00 PM	END OF SESSION



MAR 26

THURSDAY
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

8:00 AM

Evaluation of previous day

8:30 AM

The future of minimal invasive surgery MIS

Imaging, robotics, and artificial intelligence

9:00 AM

COFFEE BREAK

9:30 AM

Live/Pre-recorded operative demonstration session

Laparoscopic left colectomy – Pre -recorded
Surgery

Laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy / gastric
bypass

Group picture in the auditorium

12:00 PM

Lunch Break

1:00 PM

Animal anatomy and definition of procedures to
be done

1:15 PM

EXPERIMENTAL LABORATORY

- Ileo-caecal resection & anastomosis
- Bowel to bowel anastomosis

6:00 PM

END OF SESSION

8:30 PM

DINNER IN HONOR OF THE PARTICIPANTS



MAR 27

FRIDAY
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

8:00 AM	Evaluation of previous day
8:15 AM	COFFEE BREAK
8:30 AM	Pre-recorded robotic gastrectomy operative demonstrations
9:00 AM	LAB PRACTICUUM – All Procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Right hemicolectomy• GJ Anastomosis• SB resection
12:00 PM	Lunch Break
2:00 PM	END OF COURSE

DELIVERY OF CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE TO PARTICIPANTS

HOW TO GET TO IRCAD AFRICA

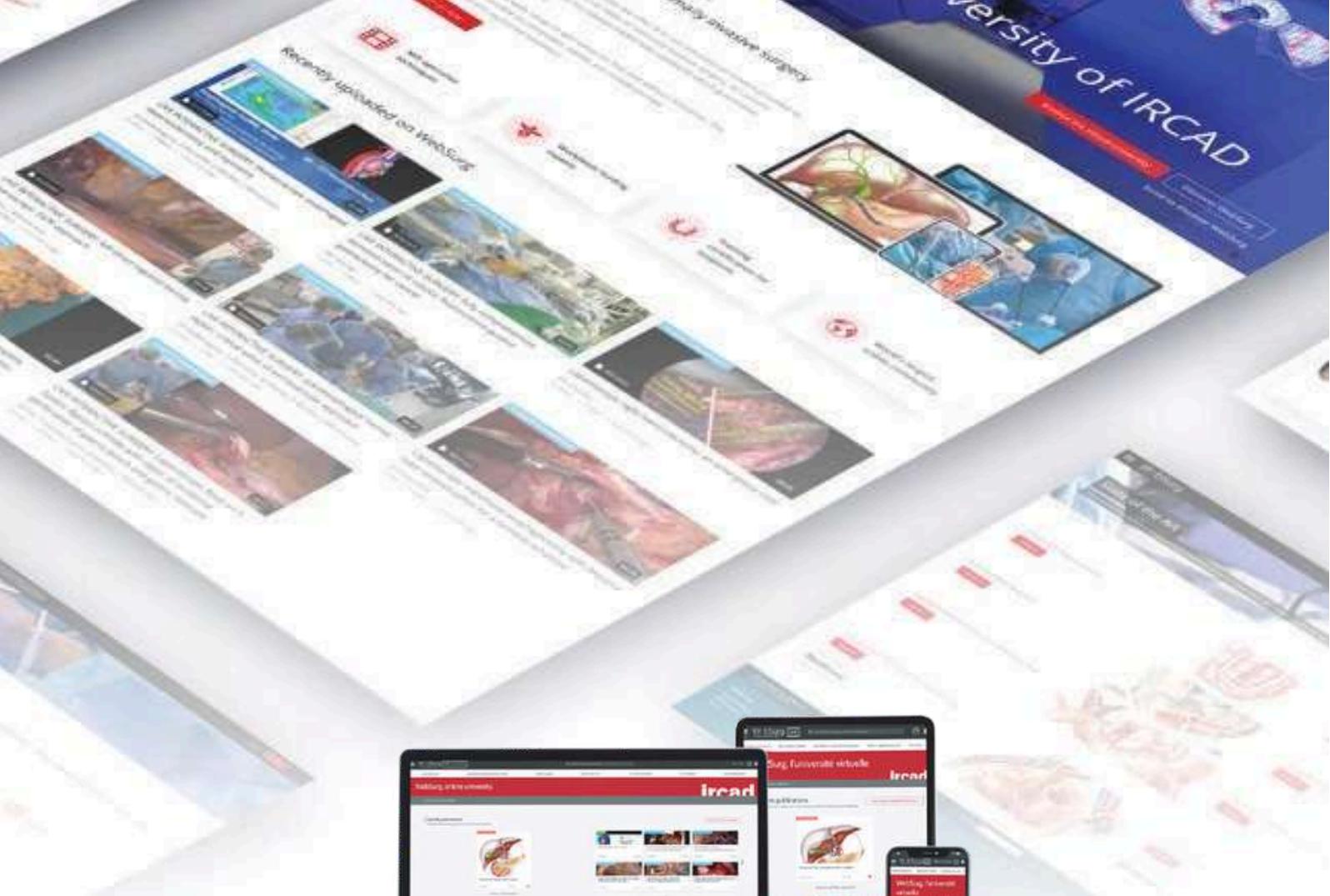
GETTING TO THE INSTITUTE COULDN'T BE EASIER



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



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+5,000

AUTHORS
+3,000

LANGUAGES
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