

2026 IAGS Meeting Synopsis

January 26 – 31, 2026

Ecuador



*International
Andreas Gruentzig
Society*



Legacy – 18 International Sessions inspired by Andreas Gruentzig; Society founded in 1990.

Purpose – Collaborate on the challenges of the cardiovascular field: to teach, learn and inspire one another.

Meeting Format – 100+ Faculty and Industry leaders in intimate didactic discussions.

Program Outline - Challenges and Opportunities of cardiovascular Medicine.

Funding – Member-funded participation and activities, **Industry funding used to support scientific sessions only.**

Current/Historical Industry Partners - 34 USA + 17 European Partners to date, support totaling \$3.2 million+ ranging from **\$25 – 50K/partner.**

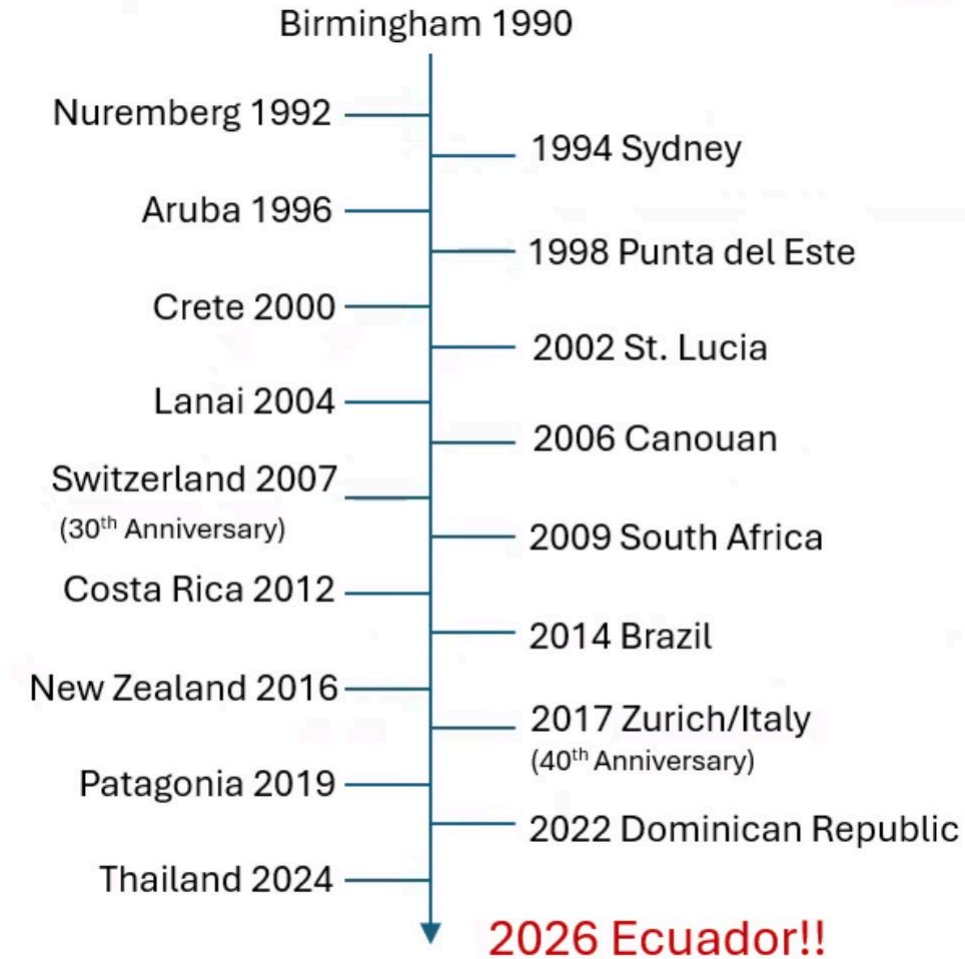
Testimonials - ‘One-of-a-kind meeting with tremendous impact on the field, very unique and compelling’.

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LEGACY/PURPOSE The International Andreas Gruentzig Society (IAGS)

Advancing Knowledge, Education and Innovation
in the fields of cardiovascular disease through
research, publication, study and teaching.

- **44 Years, 18 International Sessions**
- **1400+ KOLs / 51 Industry Partners**
- **21 State of the Art Publications**
- **1000's of Publications by IAGS Members**
- **Untold Lives Impacted, and ongoing...**



Passion, Participation, Partnering.

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**History,
in the making...**



LEGACY/PURPOSE

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Clinical Conference Proceedings: 15th Biennial International Andreas Gruentzig Society Meeting

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Abstract

The International Andreas Gruentzig Society is an educational society of physicians and scientists interested in cardiovascular and related fields. Members cooperate in the advancement of knowledge and education through research, publication, study, and teaching in the fields of cardiovascular disease. This summary reflects the proceedings from the recent scientific meeting to assess current clinical problems and propose future directions and possible solutions.

CUTTING-EDGE PERSPECTIVES

Proceedings From the 2024 International Andreas Gruentzig Society (IAGS) Clinical Conference

September 2024

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21 State of the Art Publications



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2026 MEETING: EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS

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Noted KOLs from 6 continents

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Marvin Slosman
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2026 MEETING: PRELIMINARY AGENDA

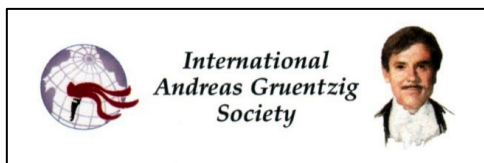
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Day 1: Tuesday, January 27, 2026
Introduction and Welcome
Session #1: Coronary Session 1 - Elective PCI (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - DCB's for De Novo Coronary Lesions: Is the Provisional Approach to PCI Back?
#2 - The Alphabet Soup of Plaque Modification: CB, RA, OA, IVL. Real or Imagined? Will SONAR Provide Insight? Are Novel Approaches Needed?
#3 - Left Main PCI: Which Lesions and in Whom?
Break
Session #2: Structural Session 1 - Aortic Valve (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - EARLY TAVR: Sure. Moderate AS: Not So Sure
#2 - Lifetime TAVR Management
#3 - TAVR for Aortic Insufficiency: ALIGNED for the Future but Are We Ready for ARTIST?
Break
Session #3: Endovascular Session 1 (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - DCBs, DES and Endografts in Peripheral Interventions: Best Applications for Each
#2 - Most Effective Interventions for CLI: A Critical Appraisal
#3 - Carotid Artery Intervention Following CREST-2: Can Micromesh Stents and TCAR Level the Playing Field?
Afternoon Breakouts:
IAGS Workshops with Product Demonstrations (1.5 hrs)

Day 2: Wednesday, January 28, 2026
Recap of Previous Day and Announcements
Session #4: Coronary Session 2 - STEMI (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - COMPLETE, MULTISTARS, BIOVASC: Do it All, but When? Is there an OPTION?
#2 - STEMI Complicated by Cardiogenic Shock: Any "DanGer" to Unloading Prior to PCI? Are Shock Teams Needed? How to Handle Antiplatelet/Anticoagulation Therapy?
#3 - Minimizing Infarct Size in STEMI: Latest Techniques, Pharmacology and How to Manage Microvascular Obstruction
Break (1.5 hrs)
Session #5: Structural Session 2 - Mitral and Tricuspid Valve
Topics
#1 - TMVR vs. TMVr: Is TMVR There Yet? When to do TMVr Instead and With What?
#2 - Interventional Solutions for TR: Any Room for More "T's" (Triapta, Tricvalve, Trillium) or "C's" (Cormaze, Cardioband) and How to Factor Pacemakers, RV Dysfunction
#3 - 3D ICE: Single Operator Procedures Without a Physician Imager? Is this a Practical Solution for Lab Resource Constraints and Cost?
Break
Session #6: Structural Session 3 – Atrial & Ventricular (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - LAA Occlusion: The Best OPTION
#2 - Interventional Strategies for HFrEF: Shunt the Atrium or Squeeze the Ventricle?
#3 - Interventional Strategies for HFpEF: SESAME, PIMSRA and How About More Shunts?
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Day 3: Thursday, January 29, 2026
Recap of Previous Day and Announcements
Session #7: Hemodynamics Session 1 (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - ECMO-PCI for Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest: Trending, but in Whom and When is it Futile? Do ECMO Devices need to be Improved?
#2 - Circulatory Support for Cardiogenic Shock: Matching the Device Strategy to the Patient for Best Outcomes
#3 - Balloon Angioplasty for CTEPH: Are Novel Devices and New Strategies Needed or is PBA Enough?
Break
Session #8: Endovascular Session 2 (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - Peripheral Atherectomy: Under or Over Utilized? Where is the Data Showing Benefit?
#2 - Bioresorbable Scaffolds for Vascular Interventions: Is it Time to Move Up or Stay BTK?
#3 - Interventional Oncology: Techniques we can Adopt
Break
Session #9: Emerging Therapies Session 1 (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 – CT Imaging-UHD Photon Detector CT is a Game Changer
#2 - Renal Denervation: Comparison of Therapeutic Approaches, Efficacy, Adoption and Reimbursement
#3 – Shark Tank: Novel Emerging Devices Competition
Afternoon Breakouts:
IAGS Workshops with Product Demonstrations (1.5 hrs)

Day 4: Friday, January 30, 2026
Recap of Previous Day and Announcements
Session #10: Interventional Laboratory Session #1 (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - Diagnosing ANOCA/INOCA and Treating MINOCA in the Interventional Laboratory
#2 - Optimizing Interventional Laboratory Operations for Future Needs
#3 - Radiation Safety in the Interventional Laboratory
Break
Session #11: Health Care Delivery Session 1 (1.5 hrs)
Topics
#1 - Artificial Intelligence in Interventional Medicine: Will it Advance Beyond Imaging?
#2 - Chatbots in Healthcare: Role in Interventional Medicine
#3 - Joint Position Statement of the ACC, IAGS and SCAI
Break
IAGS Business Meeting (1.5 hrs)
17th Biennial IAGS Meeting Adjourns



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PRIOR MEETING: PROGRAM AGENDA

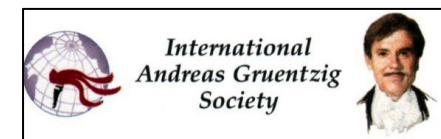
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Topics
#1 - DCB's for De Novo Coronary Lesions: Which Lesions and are We There Yet?
#2 - Plaque Modification: When to Apply Ablative vs. Disruptive Therapies
#3 - The Ignored Side Branch of Bifurcation Lesions: Are Side Branch Bifurcation DES's or DCB's the Answer?
Break
Session #2: Structural Session 1 - Aortic Valve
Topics
#1 - TAVR for Aortic Insufficiency: Latest Devices and Do We Have "Sufficient" Evidence?
#2 - Lifelong TAVR Management and How to Deal With Leaflet Degeneration
#3 - TAVR for Moderate AS: Not So Fast
Break
Session #3: Endovascular Session 1
Topics
#1 - DCB's, Stents and Endografts in Lower Extremity Interventions: What is Best? Leave Nothing Behind or a Lesion Specific Approach?
#2 - Endografts for Aortic Aneurysms: How do They ADVANCE? Stay In Bounds or Pay the Price? Suprarenal vs. Infra-renal Grafts? Or is Stabilization Therapy (EAST) the Answer?
#3 - Carotid Artery Intervention: Comparative Outcomes of Micromesh Stents and TCAR and are they Better than CEA?
Luncheon Symposium: Elective PCI / Aortic Valve / Endovascular

Day 2
Recap of Previous Day and Announcements
Session #4: Coronary Session 2 - STEMI
Topics
#1 - COMPLETE Revascularization Following STEMI: Not Whether, When
#2 - Therapies to Minimize Myocardial Injury During STEMI
#3 - Therapies to Improve Microvascular Function During STEMI and PCI
Break
Session #5: Structural Session 2 - Mitral and T
Topics
#1 - TMVR: Latest Transeptal Valves and Clinical Outcomes
#2 - TEER vs. Tricuspid Valve Replacement: Where to go Following TRILUMINATE
#3 - Novel Devices for Interventional Tricuspid Repair: A Better "Mouse Trap"?
Break
Session #6: Structural Session 3 – Atrial & Ven
Topics
#1 - LAA Occlusion: Is the "Square Peg in a Round Hole" Problem Now Solved?
#2 - Interventional Ventricular Remodeling in Heart Failure
#3 - Interventional Electrocautery: Open SESAME
Luncheon Symposium: STEMI / Mitral & Tricuspid Valve / Atrial & Ventricular

Day 3
Recap of Previous Day and Announcements
Session #7: Hemodynamics Session 1
Topics
#1 - Circulatory Support for Complex, High Risk PCI: How to Predict Who Benefits
#2 - Circulatory Support for Cardiogenic Shock: Matching the Device Strategy to the Patient for Best Outcomes
#3 - Novel Devices and New Strategies for the Management of High Risk Pulmonary Embolism
Break
Session #8: Endovascular Session 2
Topics
#1 - Ultrasound Imaging for Endovascular Interventions: A New Standard?
#2 - Bioresorbable Scaffolds for BTK Interventions: Are They the Answer or Just Another "Hail Mary"
#3 - BEST Approaches to Revascularization in Critical Limb Ischemia: Interventional or Surgical?
Break
Session #9: Emerging Therapies Session 1
Topics
#1 – Integration of UHD and 3D Interventional Imaging
#2 - Renal Denervation: Comparison of Latest Therapeutic Approaches and Indications. Do we Need AUC Criteria?
#3 – Bio-Resorbable Scaffolds: What is their Future?
Luncheon Symposium: Hemodynamics / Endovascular / Emerging Therapies

Day 4
Recap of Previous Day and Announcements
Session #10: Coronary Session #3
Topics
#1 - Invasive vs. Noninvasive Coronary Lesion Physiology: Who Should Get What and in Which Settings
#2 - A Critical Appraisal of Intravascular Imaging: When Does it Really Matter?
#3 - Latest Devices for CTO Intervention: Do They Improve Outcomes and Change Indications?
Break
Session #11: Health Care Delivery Session
Topics
#1 - Artificial Intelligence in Interventional Medicine
#2 - Health Equity
#3 - The Consequences of Public Reporting and Star Ratings
Break
IAGS Business Meeting
Luncheon Symposium Coronary / Health Care Delivery
17th Biennial IAGS Meeting Adjourns



a) There are no didactic lectures at our meetings

b) KOL's lead each session with brief discussions covering the following:

- State of the Art
- Unmet Needs
- Clinical Challenges
- Potential Solutions



c) The select panel and all members in the audience then challenge one another in a comprehensive and spirited exchange of ideas

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY The International Andreas Gruentzig Society (IAGS)

- a) We require full time, 4 day participation and promote the highest level of professional and intellectual connection. **Over the last 3 decades this approach has proven to be optimal in advancing innovative ideas and defining future advances in cardiac and vascular medicine.**
- b) Each session features in depth and innovative discussions on clinical practice gaps and issues, along with recommendations for resolving those issues.
- c) We mandate engagement and open thinking regarding the challenges in our field. **Delegates are sequestered during each day of our scientific sessions to insure that we have input across the broad spectrum of clinical specialties in attendance.**
- d) During our meetings, we engage world leaders to discuss their problems and brainstorm solutions.
- e) We include a Shark Tank session that provides inventors the opportunity to present new devices and technology to senior KOLs with vast experience in new device development. A constructive assessment of the device and potential suggestions for further development will be provided. The information discussed will be in the public domain.
- f) We offer **unlimited opportunities** to continue important conversations off-hours throughout the 4 days of our meeting.

FUNDING MECHANICS

The International Andreas Gruentzig Society (IAGS)

a) UNRESTRICTED EDUCATIONAL GRANTS IN SUPPORT OF

- Our Live Biennial Meeting Expenses
 - ✓ Meeting Room Rental
 - ✓ AV Equipment Rental and Tech Support
 - ✓ Videographer
 - ✓ Meeting and Event Management
 - ✓ On site Project Management
 - ✓ Faculty housing
- The Production of our Clinical Conference Proceedings
 - ✓ Project Management & Editorial Support
 - ✓ Videographer Administrative and Editing Work
 - ✓ Transcription Fees, Reprints
 - ✓ Website Hosting Fees

b) EXHIBIT AND/OR PRODUCT DEMONSTRATION LABS

c) IAGS PROJECTS:

- ✓ Outstanding Investigator Award
- ✓ Joint Position Statements

d) LOCAL COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORTS

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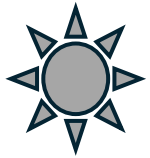
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FUNDING LEVELS

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Platinum Grant Sponsor (\$50,000 or more)

- Two complimentary registration badges to attend the scientific sessions
- Company name listed prominently on our program materials as a platinum sponsor



Gold Grant Sponsor (\$25,000 - \$49,999)

- One complimentary registration badge to attend the scientific sessions
- Company name listed on our program materials as a gold sponsor



Exhibit and/or Product Demonstration Labs (\$25,000)

- One complimentary registration badge to attend the scientific sessions
- Company name listed on our program materials as an Exhibitor



IAGS Projects and/or Local Community Outreach Efforts (Amount TBD)

- Add-on to any of the above funding levels
- We will partner with you on the IAGS Project(s) and/or a Local Community Charity
- Company name listed on our program materials as a sponsor of the IAGS Project and/or the Local Charity

INDUSTRY TESTIMONIALS

The International Andreas Gruentzig Society (IAGS)



Participant since 2014

“The AGS Meeting is an excellent conference, offering insightful cardiology updates, innovative research, and great networking opportunities. This meeting is the only meeting of its kind!”

“When cardiovascular industry specialists and practicing cardiologists come together in meaningful dialogue, innovation meets real-world necessity. This collaboration at IAGS bridges the gap between cutting-edge technology and the everyday challenges of patient care, ensuring that advancements are driven by the true needs of physicians and their patients—leading to better technologies, improved outcomes, and a healthier future for all.”



Participant since 2016

INDUSTRY TESTIMONIALS

The International Andreas Gruentzig Society (IAGS)



Participant since 2017

“IAGS is a dynamic, inclusive meeting that fosters open dialogue between physicians and industry leaders, driving advancements in cardiovascular care. The collaborative environment and cutting-edge discussions make it an invaluable experience for anyone passionate about improving our space. The friendships and family bonds that result are a real bonus.”



Participant since 2012

“IAGS is the best meeting I attend. The yearly TCT/TVT/PCR/THT meetings are great, but at IAGS there is real commentary and open dialog in a setting of shared experience from the best in their fields. Mostly in the program, but very often afterward. This is truly a remarkable gathering of remarkable practitioners. I’m very fortunate to be included. This meeting will always be on my calendar.”



Participant since 2017

“This meeting is unique because the industry experts are seamlessly integrated into the program from the outset and given an equal platform to share their perception and views of the challenges, opportunities, and proposed solutions that the world thought leaders are there to tackle in the cardiovascular space.”

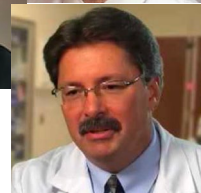
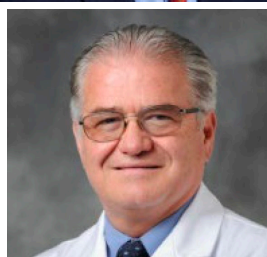
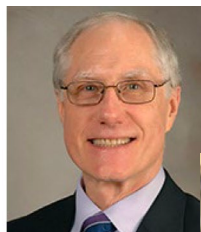
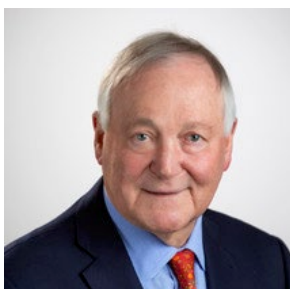
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