

16 September-Wednesday

13:00-14:30 Session 1

VIRAL CHALLENGES OF OUR CENTURY: EVOLUTION, EMERGENCE, AND RE-EMERGENCE

Chairs: Thea Fischer, Heli Harvala

13:00-13:30

Gardner Lectureship Award

Presented by Heli Harvala (ESCV President)

Accelerating genomics-based surveillance and biomedical innovation for disease-causing pathogens in Africa

Tulio de Oliveira, South Africa

13:30-14:30

Oral presentations

OP1 - Post-COVID-19 measles reemergence in France despite high vaccine coverage: insights from molecular surveillance, elimination challenges and vaccine failure investigations

Julia Dina, France

OP2 - Genomic Insights into the Origin and Transmission Dynamics of a cVDPV3 Outbreak in Israel

Neta Zuckerman, Israel

OP3 - IVIG-Derived Antibody Profiles Reflect Regional Differences in Arbovirus Circulation

Tatjana Schwarz, Germany

OP4 - Andes virus outbreak linked to the Dutch-flagged expedition cruise ship M/V Hondius; an overview of the public health response in the Netherlands

Olivia Luise Gern, Netherlands

14:30-16:00 Session 2

GLOBAL WARMING AND THE EXPANDING FRONTIERS OF ARBOVIRUSES

Chairs: Annelies Brilman, Mario Hönenmann

14:30-15:00

Keynote Lecture

Climate change and vector-borne diseases

Jan C. Semenza, Sweden

15:00-16:00

Oral presentations

OP5 - Increased incidence of human West Nile and Usutu infections in Austria 2024

David Florian, Austria

OP6 - Genetic characterization of two novel Aigai virus strains in Greece

Styliani Pappa, Greece

OP7 - Genomic surveillance of Chikungunya Virus in returning travellers to Germany reveals repeated viral introductions and potential sources for autochthonous transmission in Europe

Till D. Best, Germany

OP8 - Spatiotemporal Expansion of Japanese Encephalitis Virus Genotype V in the Republic of Korea and Experimental Evaluation of Aedes albopictus as a Potential Bridge Vector

Bo-Ram Yun, South Korea

16:00-16:45

COFFEE BREAK

16:45-17:45

Symposium 1

Navigating Respiratory Complexity: Evolving Diagnostics for Modern Clinical Workflows

17:45-18:45

TWIV at ESCV2026: Andes virus up close with Vincent Racaniello

18:45-19:15

Lecture - HEINE-MEDIN AWARD

Presented by Pamela Vallely (ESCV Past President)

Whole-Genome Sequencing and Clinical Metagenomics for the Study of Viral Infections

Maud Salmona, France

19:15 -19:30

WELCOME ADDRESSES

19:30

WELCOME GET-TOGETHER