

PROGRAM BOOK

 **WSSFN 2025**  
REUNIÓN INTERMEDIA

20 al 22 de noviembre de 2025 | Buenos Aires, Argentina



Reunión Conjunta de la Sociedad Latinoamericana  
de Neurocirugía Funcional y Estereotaxia (SLANFE)  
y ABCUR 2025 | 18 y 19 de noviembre



# CONGRESS WELCOME REMARKS

Functional and stereotactic neurosurgery has undoubtedly been one of the disciplines with the greatest evolution in recent decades. This has been due to technological innovations, greater and deeper knowledge of the pathophysiology of the nervous system, advances in functional imaging and, of course, the effort, energy and tireless work of the WSSFN since its creation in 1961 until today.

This is why for us, the Latin American community of functional neurosurgery, gathered in the Latin American Society of Functional Neurosurgery and Stereotaxy (SLANFE), it is a true honor, challenge and commitment to have been distinguished as hosts, for the first time in history, of an international event of the **WSSFN**.

We invite you to discover Buenos Aires, a vibrant city full of contrasts, where history, art and culture merge with the passion of its people; its warmth, humor and hospitality transform each visit into an unforgettable experience.

Whether it is for its architecture, its streets, its neighborhoods, its traditional cafes, its music, its gastronomy, its parks, its theaters, its bookstores, its football, Buenos Aires has something for everyone.

**Welcome to the WSSFN2005 Interim Meeting  
in Buenos Aires!**



**Mojgan Hodaie**  
WSSFN  
Vice President



**Joachim Krauss**  
WSSFN Past President  
Head Education Committee



**Jean Regis**  
WSSFN  
President



**Fabián Piedimonte**  
WSSFN 2025 Interim Meeting  
President

# WSSFN 2025

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE



**Patric Blomstedt**  
Sweden



**Fabián Cremaschi**  
Argentina



**Erich Talamoni Fonoff**  
Brazil



**Mojgan Hodaie**  
Canada



**Joachim Krauss**  
Germany



**Jorge Pagura**  
Brazil



**Fabián Piedimonte**  
Argentina



**Jean Regis**  
France

# WSSFN 2025

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



**Fabián Cremaschi**  
Committee Chair



**Nicolás Barbosa**



**Juan Pablo Cassasco**



**María Laura Contartese**



**Pablo Graff**



**Sergio Pampin**



**Fabián Piedimonte**



**Facundo Villamil**

# WSSFN INTERIM MEETING

WSSFN 2025 Faculty

# WSSFN 2025

## FACULTY



**Harith Akram**  
United Kingdom



**Faisal Al-Otaibi**  
Saudi Arabia



**Pablo Andrade**  
Germany



**Nicolás Barbosa**  
Argentina



**Juan Carlos Benedetti**  
Colombia



**Hagai Bergman**  
Israel



**Patric Blomstedt**  
Sweden



**Manuel Campos**  
Chile



**Stephan Chabardes**  
France



**Maria Laura Contartese**  
Argentina



**William Contreras**  
Colombia



**Terry Coyne**  
Australia

# WSSFN 2025

## FACULTY



**Fabián Cremaschi**  
Argentina



**Volker Coenen**  
Germany



**Arthur Cukiert**  
Brazil



**Antonio De Salles**  
Brazil



**Paresh Doshi**  
India



**Nico Enslin**  
South Africa



**Gabriel A. de Erasquin**  
USA



**Oscar Escobar**  
Colombia



**Erich Talamoni Fonoff**  
Brazil



**Tiago Freitas**  
Brazil



**Fabio Godinho**  
Brazil



**Alessandra Gorgulho**  
Brazil

# WSSFN 2025

## FACULTY



**Clement Hamani**  
Canada



**Mojgan Hodaie**  
Canada



**Chris Honey**  
Canada



**Shiro Horisawa**  
Japan



**Emil Isagulyan**  
Russia



**Manoel Jacobsen Teixeira**  
Brazil



**Benjamin Jonker**  
Australia



**Joachim Krauss**  
Germany



**Adriana Lopez**  
Colombia



**Andrés Lozano**  
Canada



**Marcelo Merello**  
Argentina



**Bart Nuttin**  
Belgium

# WSSFN 2025

## FACULTY



**Jorge Pagura**  
Brazil



**Fabián Piedimonte**  
Argentina



**Gustavo Polo**  
France



**Jean Regis**  
France



**Patricio Riva Posse**  
USA



**Sergio Sacchettoni**  
USA



**Sameer Sheth**  
USA



**Marc Sindou**  
France



**Konstantin Slavin**  
USA



**Julian Soto**  
Mexico



**Francisco Velasco Campos**  
Mexico



**Osvaldo Vilela Filho**  
Brazil

# WSSFN INTERIM MEETING

PROGRAM

# Day 1

November 20, 2025

07:00 - 08:00

Neurorun

09:00 - 09:15

Welcome Address

09:15 - 10:30

Plenary I

10:30 - 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:30

Plenary I

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch Seminar Industry Sponsored

13:30 - 15:10

Plenary II

15:10 - 15:30

Coffee Break

15:30 - 17:30

Plenary III

17:30 - 17:45

Coffee Break

17:45 - 18:30  
(2 Parallel  
Sessions)

Spicy Session I

Spicy Session II

# Day 2

November 21, 2025

07:30 - 08:45

Breakfast Seminar

09:00 - 11:05

Plenary IV

11:05 - 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 - 13:30

Plenary V

13:30 - 14:30

Lunch Seminar Industry Sponsored

14:45 - 17:00

Plenary VI

17:00 - 17:45

Coffee Break and Poster Session I

17:45 - 18:30  
(2 Parallel  
Sessions)

Ask the Experts I

Ask the Experts II

# Day 3

November 22, 2025

07:30 - 08:45

Breakfast Seminar

09:00 - 09:50

Plenary VII

09:50 - 12:30

Plenary VIII

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch Seminar Industry Sponsored

13:30 - 14:45

Hands-On Session I

14:45 - 15:30

Hands-On Session II

15:30 - 16:15

Coffee Break and Poster Session II

16:15 - 17:05

Plenary IX

17:05 - 17:20

Conclusion Remarks and Awards

## Day 1 - November 20, 2025

07:00 - 08:00	Neurorun
---------------	----------

09:00 - 09:15	President and Education Committee Welcome Address.	Joachim Krauss Fabián Piedimonte Jean Regis Mojgan Hodaie
---------------	---	--

Time	Plenary I Stereotactic Principles	Auditorium
------	-----------------------------------	------------

Time	Plenary I Stereotactic Principles	Auditorium
09:15 - 12:30		Juan Pablo II
09:15 - 09:40	History of Stereotactic and Functional Surgery.	Patric Blomstedt
09:40 - 10:05	Basal Ganglia and Thalamic Anatomy.	Marcelo Merello
10:05 - 10:30	Stereotactic Atlases and Frames.	Erich Fonoff
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 11:25	Stereotactic Planning Principles and targeting in DBS and brain lesioning.	Terry Coyne
11:25 - 11:50	Image Guided Direct Targeting and Postoperative Imaging	Sameer Sheth
11:50 - 12:15	DBS - awake, sedated, or under general anesthesia. The clinical trade off.	Hagai Bergman
12:15 - 12:30	Panel Discussion.	Faculty
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch Seminar Industry Sponsored	

Time	Plenary II Lesioning and Deep Brain Stimulation Techniques	Auditorium
------	--	------------

Time	Plenary II Lesioning and Deep Brain Stimulation Techniques	Auditorium
13:30 - 15:10		Juan Pablo II
13:30 - 13:55	Radiofrequency Lesioning Techniques for Movement Disorders.	Marwan Hariz
13:55 - 14:20	Deep Brain Stimulation Hardware Implantation - A Practical Guide.	Paresh Doshi
14:20 - 14:45	Deep Brain Stimulation Programming.	Maria Laura Contartese
14:45 - 15:10	Deep Brain Stimulation Complications.	Stephan Chabardes
15:10 - 15:30	Coffee Break	

Time 15:30 - 17:30	Plenary III Surgical Patient Selection and Outcome in Movement Disorders	Auditorium Juan Pablo II
15:30 - 15:55	Thalamotomy and Pallidotomy for Movement Disorders.	Shiro Horisawa
15:55 - 16:20	Deep Brain Stimulation for Parkinson's Disease.	Fabio Godinho
16:20 - 16:45	Deep Brain Stimulation for Dystonia.	Joachim Krauss
16:45 - 17:10	Deep Brain Stimulation for Tremor and Other Movement Disorders.	Oscar Escobar
17:10 - 17:30	Panel Discussion.	Faculty
17:30 - 17:45	Coffee Break	

Time 17:45 - 18:30	Spicy Session I Surgery for Psychiatric Disorders	Room TBD
17:45 - 18:00	Ablative procedures.	Julian Soto
18:00 - 18:15	Neuromodulation procedures.	William Contreras
18:15 - 18:30	Panel Discussion.	Faculty

Time 17:45 - 18:30	Spicy Session II Controversies in the treatment of Spasticity	Room TBD
17:45 - 18:00	Intrathecal baclofen therapy.	Nico Enslin
18:00 - 18:15	Lesioning procedures for spasticity.	Manoel Jacobsen Teixeira
18:15 - 18:30	Panel Discussion.	Faculty

## Day 2 - November 21, 2025

Time	Breakfast Seminar I : Movement disorder	ROOM
07:30 - 08:45		TBD
07:30 - 07:50	Miceoelectrode Recording Technique and Technology.	Daniel Cherquetti
07:50 - 08:10	RF STN.	Sergio Pampin
08:10 - 08:30	Stimulation Sweet spot in STN-DBS - Myth or reality?	Harith Akram
08:30 - 08:45	Panel Discussion.	Faculty

Time	Breakfast Seminar II : Peripheral nerves	ROOM
07:30 - 08:45		TBD
07:30 - 07:50	Main talk Augmented reality in neuromodulation. Applications in SNRS and SPGS.	TBD
07:50 - 08:10	Surgical management of Vagal rizopathies.	Chris Honey
08:10 - 08:30	Microvascular decompression for hemifacial spasm - traps and pearls.	Ben Jonker
08:30 - 08:45	Panel Discussion.	Faculty

Time	Plenary IV Surgical Treatment of Facial Pain	Auditorium
09:00 - 11:05		Juan Pablo II
09:00 - 09:25	Spectrum of techniques and indications for treatment for facial pain.	Mojgan Hodaie
09:25 - 09:50	Microvascular Decompression: Principles and Pitfalls.	Jorge Pagura
09:50 - 10:15	Percutaneous Rhizotomy Procedures (Radiofrequency, Balloon & Glycerol) for facial pain.	Marc Sindou
10:15 - 10:40	Neuromodulation for Facial Pain.	Konstantin Slavin
10:40 - 11:05	Panel Discussion.	Faculty
11:05 - 11:30	Coffee Break	

Time	Plenary V Epilepsy Surgical Interventions	Auditorium
11:30 - 13:30		Juan Pablo II
11:30 - 11:55	Operative Brain Mapping Principles, patient selection and indications.	Faisal Al-Otaibi
11:55 - 12:20	Resective Epilepsy Surgery Techniques and Outcome.	Manuel Campos
12:20 - 12:45	Neuromodulation for Epilepsy: VNS, DBS, RNS and Others.	Arthur Cukiert
12:45 - 13:10	Technical innovations in epilepsy.	Juan Carlos Benedetti

13:10 - 13:30	Panel Discussion.	Faculty
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch Seminar Industry Sponsored	

Time	Plenary VI Surgery for Psychiatric Disorders and Cognition	Auditorium Juan Pablo II
14:45 - 15:10	Surgery of the mind - delicate balance of benefit and burden in psychiatric disorders.	Fabián Cremaschi
15:10 - 15:35	OCD.	Bart Nuttin
15:35 - 16:00	Depression and Cognition.	Andres Lozano
16:00 - 16:25	Tourette Syndrome and other and new Indications in Surgery for Psychiatric Disorders.	Oswaldo Vilela Filho
16:25 - 17:00	Panel Discussion.	Faculty
17:00 - 17:45	Coffee Break and Poster Session I	

Time	Ask the Experts I Movement Disorders	ROOM TBD
17:45 - 18:00	Evolución de la cirugía de DBS a través de los años.	Gustavo Polo
18:00 - 18:15	Imaging for tremor network for focal interventions with lesion or DBS .	Volker Coenen
18:15 - 18:30	Stimulation sweet spot in Subthalamic DBS - Myth or Reality?	Harith Akram

Time	Ask the Experts II Pain	ROOM TBD
17:45 - 18:00	Case 1	TBD
18:00 - 18:15	Case 2	TBD
18:15 - 18:30	Case 3	TBD

## Day 3 - November 22, 2025

Time	Breakfast Seminar III: Epilepsy	ROOM
07:30 - 08:45		TBD
07:30 - 07:50	Main talk 1	TBD
07:50 - 08:10	Main talk 2	TBD
08:10 - 08:30	Best poster in Epilepsy	TBD
08:30 - 08:45	Panel Discussion	Faculty

Time	Breakfast Seminar IV: Psychosurgery	ROOM
07:30 - 08:45		TBD
07:30 - 07:50	Aggressive behavioural disorders and self injurious behaviour.	Adriana Lopez
07:50 - 08:10	Surgery for eating disorders.	Alessandra Gorgulho
08:10 - 08:30	DBS for schizophrenia. Delusion or lucid dream?	Hagai Bergman
08:30 - 08:45	Panel Discussion.	Faculty

Time	Plenary VII Pain: Spinal Cord and Peripheral Nerve Stimulation and ablation procedures	Auditorium
09:00 - 09:50		Juan Pablo II
09:00 - 09:25	Peripheral nerve and DRG stimulation.	Tiago Freitas
09:25 - 09:50	SCS for Pain: Techniques and Technology.	TBD

Time	Plenary VIII Incisionless ablative and modulatory neurosurgery	Auditorium
09:50 - 12:30		Juan Pablo II
09:50 - 10:15	Radiosurgery Applications in Functional Neurosurgery.	Jean Regis
10:15-10:40	Radiosurgery for Tumors and Vascular Malformations.	Antonio De Salles
10:40 - 11:05	TMS: Functional recovery.	Patricio Riva Posse
11:05 - 11:30	Hifu - indications, techiques and outcomes.	Fabián Piedimonte
11:30 - 11:55	Opening the blood brain barrier: Modulatory role of focused ultrasound.	Clement Hamani
11:55 - 12:30	Panel Discussion	Faculty
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch Seminar Industry Sponsored	

Time 13:30 - 14:45	Hands-On Session I : Industry Sponsored	Room TBD
	<b>Stereotactic Targeting and Planning:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Station 1: Frame Placement Techniques and Technology</li> <li>- Station 2: Planning Stations and Stereotactic Targeting</li> <li>- Station 3: Microelectrode Recording</li> </ul>	

Time 14:45 - 15:30	Hands-On Session II: Industry Sponsored	Room TBD
	<b>Hardware and Programming:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Station 1: DBS</li> <li>- Station 2: SCS</li> <li>- Station 3: Radiofrequency lesioning for pain</li> </ul>	

15:30 - 16:15	Coffee Break and Poster Session II	
---------------	------------------------------------	--

Time 16:15 - 17:05	Plenary IX Education and Research	Auditorium Juan Pablo II
16:15 - 16:40	Training in Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery in Latin America	TBD
16:40 - 17:05	Research and Publishing in Functional Neurosurgery	TBD
17:05 - 17:20	Conclusion Remarks and Awards	Jean Regis and Fabián Piedimonte

## Organizan:



**Fundación Centit**

✉ [info@fundacioncenit.org.ar](mailto:info@fundacioncenit.org.ar)

🌐 [fundacioncenit.org.ar](http://fundacioncenit.org.ar)



**Iris 360**

✉ [organizacion@wssf2025.com](mailto:organizacion@wssf2025.com)

## Secretaría Técnica | España

SANICONGRESS®

**Sani Congress**

✉ [secretaria@sanicongress.com](mailto:secretaria@sanicongress.com)

🌐 [sanicongress.com](http://sanicongress.com)